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Forests and economic development

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Outline

- Background and objectives
- Draft outline
- Action by the Working Party



Background and objectives

- Need to synthesize recent major outputs (SoEF 2011, EFSOS/NAFSOS, FPAMR)
- Need for improved dissemination and communication
- Need to contribute to UNFF10 in 2013: theme “forests and economic development”



Proposed UNECE/FAO paper on forests and economic development in the UNECE region

- Regional identity
- Based on recent UNECE/FAO work
- Aimed at policy makers, private sector, stakeholders, other sectors
- Substantive but accessible: ~ 20 pages, good layout and graphics, punchy style, short sentences, clear statements



Draft outline

- Introduction
- Background (1 page)
- How do forests contribute to economic development in the UNECE region? (10 pages)
 - Descriptive
 - One page per theme
- The way ahead: outlook and major policy challenges (9 pages)
 - Forward looking and policy relevant
- Conclusion: what should change? (1 page)



Process

- Working Party reviews draft outline and concept: 2 weeks for comment
- Draft paper presented to TC 2012 (theme “sustainable forest products”) for comment
- Paper finalised for UNFF10 and wide distribution as ambassador for UNECE/FAO

The Working Party is invited to approve the concept, review the draft outline and comment on the structure, objectives and issues to be covered

