**Replies to Questionnare from Team of Specialists on Forest Policy in Eastern Europe and Central Asia.**

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1. Leader ToS on Forest Policy in Eastern Europe and Central Asia.
2. 3 years.
3. Unfortunately, only indirect influence through publications and training programmes.
* Expert exchange of experiences and lessons learnt - 5
* Input to policy dialogue - 4
* Tangible outputs such as publications - 5
* Exchange with other members of the same ToS - 2
* Exchange with members of other ToS - 2
* Contribution to the regional input at global level - 1
* Receive input (guidance for implementation at national level) - 1
* Capacity building (training of trainers) - 5
* Contribution to the UNICE/FAO programme of work - 3
* Leading the ToS - Yes
* Actively participating in the ToS meetings - Yes
* Following the activities of ToS without active participation - No
* Contributing with own technical inputs/expertise - No
* Co-organizing meetings as host - No
* Helping in dissemination of results (outputs) of ToS - Yes
1. Close cooperation with experts from Federal Forest Agency, research and educational institutes.
2. No funds from federal authorities are available.
3. Do not expect any funds from the government. Rely on the FAO support.
4. Participation in domestic conferences and other events. Publications in magazines and newspapers.
5. Estimated time per year – 10 working days.
6. Language barriers is critical not for me, but for other members of ToS. The country has to delegate the experts to ToS with English.
7. As a leader of ToS I have no possibilities to cooperate with members representing other countries. This cooperation is not stimulated and is not obliged.
* Overall guidance - 3
* Sharing of information and stepwise results - 3
* Scheduling of planning events - 1
* Reporting / dissemination of results of ToS - 1
* Organization of events - 2
* Output / result of the ToS - 2
* Reporting to UNICE/FAO - 1
1. The mandate is unclear to lead the ToS. There are not rights and funds to lead the ToS effectively.
2. Existing reporting system is not effective/ It looks very formal.
3. ToS exists only as formal institute. The members of the ToS have no obligations and stimulus.
4. The country experts have to propose the content of ToS. There are priorities in the content. The main output is to create the conditions to share countries experience in Forest Policy.
5. The extent of discussion depends on professional abilities of experts. Unfortunately these abilities are rather low. It is reasonable to establish the criterias for experts to be delegated to the ToS.
* Tangible results of Budapest workshop - 3
* Glossary - 2
1. Unfortunately there is no opportunity to receive feedbacks inside of the ToS.
2. Many country’s experts are not professional in the field of forest policy.
3. UNICE/FAO has to establish the professional demands to country’s experts.
4. No
5. Yes
6. The members of the ToS have to be close to the government institutions in order to have possibility to implement ToS recommendations.
7. Rank is 3
* Overall guidance - 3
* Providing timely information and documents - 3
* Technical inputs/advice - 4
* Preparation of minutes - 5
* Organization of events - 5
* Guidance on reporting - 3
* Distribution of ToS results - 2
1. The mandate will be revised. ToS obligations according to mandate are to be balanced with financial resources.
2. Sponsors are to be interested to finance only effective results. ToS has to show such results.
3. Unsatisfactory.
4. The information is absent.
5. Negatively.
6. I was not invited to UNECE/FAO meeting in Antalya in October, 2011.
7. Team of Specialists activity has to be urgently revised.