70th Session of the Timber Committee

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Review of Activities and Activities for 2014
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Geneva, Switzerland
16-19 October 2012
WA1: MARKETS and STATISTICS

HIGHLIGHTS 2011 - 2012

• Forest Products:
  → FPAMR 2010 - 2011
  → FPAMR 2011 - 2012
  → Capacity building in forest products marketing and green resource mobilization

• Wood Energy:
  → Completion of JWEE 2009
  → Start of JWEE 2011
  → Policy workshop
  → Capacity building workshop
WA1: 2013 PLANNED ACTIVITIES (Highlights)

➤ Market Discussion and Statements
➤ FPAMR 2012 – 2013
➤ Statistics
➤ JWEE 2011
➤ Relevant meetings
WA2: FOREST RESOURCES ASSESSMENTS

HIGHLIGHTS 2011 – 2012

• State of Europe’s Forests 2011
  • Finalisation and release of the report
  • Dissemination activities
  • Educational kit
  • Review of 2011 reporting

• Collaborative process for the global & regional reporting:
  Rome ↔ Sendai ↔ Ispra ↔ Saint Petersburg ↔ Jacksonville ↔ Rome ↔ Tokyo
WA2: 2013 PLANNED ACTIVITIES (Highlights 1)

- Forest Resources Assessment 2015
  - FAO Forest Resources Assessment
  - Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (including Montreal Process)
  - pan-European reporting (with FOREST EUROPE and European partners)

- Assistance to national reporting process for 54 countries in Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia:
  - Release of the global Enquiries - January 2013
  - ToS meeting in January 2013
  - Global Meeting of National Correspondents – May 2013
  - Conclusion and release of pan-European Enquiry – June 2013
  - Joint ToS and National Correspondents workshop(s) – September 2013
  - Deadline for reporting – end of 2013

- Collaborative activity imposes new challenges on secretariats - joint reporting significantly reduces national reporting burden (almost by half for the pan-European region)

- **Support and cooperation with countries and international organizations is a prerequisite of success** – any contribution is very much welcome

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WA2: 2013 PLANNED ACTIVITIES (Highlights 2)

- Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (CFRQ) 2015
  - Developed with involvement of ECE-FAO Forestry and Timber Section
  - Covers FOREST EUROPE and Montreal Process countries
  - 8 countries from ECE region (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Israel, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) are not included into CFRQ

- ECE-FAO Forestry and Timber Section has been facilitating reporting from Caucasus and Central Asia countries for the previous FRA reports, it is foreseen that the Section will continue this role also in 2015 reporting

- Participation in CFRQ does not generate any additional burden on a country

- ECE-FAO Forestry and Timber Section acts as the focal point for reporting on wood products (JFSQ) and wood energy (JWEE) from these countries

- In order to simplify organization, ensure consistency and streamline forest related reporting in the ECE region as well as to facilitate provision of an assistance it is proposed that above mentioned countries are covered by the CFRQ

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WA3: FOREST SECTOR OUTLOOK

HIGHLIGHTS 2011 - 2012

- European Forest Sector Outlook Study II
- North American Forest Sector Outlook Study
- Dissemination
- Meetings on Outlook
WA3: PLANS FOR 2013 - HIGHLIGHTS

• Warm up for next outlook(s)
• Meeting(s) of ToS

Suggested Course of Action
• 1st ToS meeting in January–February 2013
• To organize work and contributions
• 2nd ToS meeting during Metsä 2013 to discuss policy-science interface
• Cooperation is welcome with other international and research organizations on outlook work
• All interested stakeholders are invited to join the ToS
• ToS continues its mandate to coordinate work
WA4: SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ISSUES

HIGHLIGHTS 2011 - 2012

• JEN work
• International conference of forestry training centres
• 2013: Seminar on impact of climate change on forestry work at Metsä 2013
WA5: POLICY & CROSS-SECTORAL ISSUES (Highlights 2011 – 2012)

HIGHLIGHTS 2011 - 2012

- Action Plan
- NFPD
- Communication work
- Intense work with Bureaux on new PoW
- Lviv Forum
- PES
- UNDA project
WA5: PLANS FOR 2013

• Communication for Metsä 2013
• 300 years of Sustainability
• Work with Bureaux towards Metsä 2013
• Possible extraordinary meeting of TC/EFC in June for PoW
• UNDA
• NFPDs
TC asked to consider:

Approving activities as per document N.4 with updates presented through this power point.