Regional implementation of global challenges

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Global Challenges

• Forests and Sustainable Forest Management play an important role in SDGs, IAF, REDD+, CBD

• Forests and sustainable forest management offer key solutions for implementing these decisions

• Globally, there are huge deficits in managing all types of forests sustainably – driving forces lie mainly outside the forest sector
Regional implementation

• Implementation is mainly the task of the member states, but …
• Regional collaboration helps countries to
  • share experiences and good practices
  • elaborate indicators to monitor and to report progress
  • emphasize an integrated approach together with other forest-related sectors
• Aim for a coherent forest policy at all levels
Technical cooperation is key

- Synergies and consolidation through joint UNECE/FAO integrated work programme and work of team of specialists
- Monitoring of implementation of international commitments need highly specialised expertise and long-term perspective
- Data analysis requires UN standards and secure protection of sensitive data on forests
Regional inputs to global challenges

• UNECE/FAO inputs are best placed to be disseminated in UN forest-related processes like UNFF, UNFCCC, CBD

• Reports and publications are translated in the regional UN languages to reach a wider audience

• UNECE/FAO are part of the UN system to assist in developing indicators for implementing SDGs and to develop the strategic plan for UNFF and IAF
Next step in UNECE/FAO

• Contribute to forest-related indicators for monitoring SDGs and contribute to the pan-european revised list of indicators
• Analyse and renew the integrated work programme till 2017
• Continue to assist countries with tools and platforms addressing new challenges and promoting sustainable forest management in the region

Use the Rovaniemi Action Plan as a tool