



DIABOLO tackles Europe's social, ecological and economic challenges

Distributed, integrated and harmonised Forest information for bioeconomy outlooks
The increasing competition for forest resources will necessitate new forest-related policies across different sectors. These policies demand relevant, harmonised, comprehensive, reliable and up-to-date information. As a response to this challenge, the DIABOLO project brings together 33 partners from scientific institutions in 25 European countries, including experts in the fields of policy analysis, forest inventory and forest modelling, who have live linkages to European and national policy institutions and stakeholder networks.



Countries involved in DIABOLO (in green).
Shaded countries contribute also as WP leaders.



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Coming highlights:

Stakeholder workshop on *Policy needs for and provision of forest information for policy making and practice in Europe: state of the art and the way forward*. 19-20 September 2016 in Vienna, Austria.

- to present and discuss experiences with the use and provision of forest information for forest-relevant policy objectives (sustainable forestry, biodiversity conservation, climate change and bioenergy) at European, EU, (sub-) national levels;
- to present and discuss new research findings from European wide, cross-country analysis of policy needs for and provision of forest information in Europe, and to explore actions for bridging possible gaps between policy needs and data provision, and to discuss ways and means for improving forest information exchange in Europe.

Further information

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SFM-related highlights from the final conference in Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium on September 5-6, 2016:

- need for evidence-based science-policy-practice interaction
- policy needs are often ad-hoc
- policy support should provide simple answers to complex questions
- relevance, credibility, legitimacy of policy support are important
- bioeconomy is a wide array of ecosystem products and services
- the role of NFIs important in providing information on different functions of forests
- wide ecological and socio-economic variation within Europe should be taken into account and utilized (regionalization)

Further information:

- Packalen, T. & Lier, M. (eds.) 2016. Bioeconomy and ecosystem services – synergy or conflict? Horizontal and vertical policy analysis, modelling and orchestration in practice : Final Conference Proceedings of FPS COST Action. Natural resources and bioeconomy studies. 41/2016.

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