Declaration of Competence and Voting Rights submitted by the European Union and its Member States

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Joint ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry and the FAO European Forestry Commission matters

   (a) Global Forest Policy Matters
      i. The UN Strategic Plan on Forests (UNSPF) and the regional input to the UN Forum on Forests (UNFF) (shared competence - MS vote)
      ii. Forests and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (shared competence – MS vote)
      iii. Forests and the Paris Agreement (shared competence – MS vote)

   (b) Regional cooperation (shared competence – MS vote)

   (c) Seventieth anniversary of the ECE/FAO Partnership (shared competence – MS vote)

   (d) Report of the Working Party (shared competence – MS vote)

   (e) Review of 2017 activities, and activities and publications planned for 2018 (shared competence – MS vote)

   (f) Forest Resources Assessment 2020 (FRA2020), enhanced and streamlined international reporting (shared competence – MS vote)

   (g) System for the Evaluation of Management of Forests (SEMAFOR) (MS competence - MS vote)
3. Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry (COFFI) matters

(a) Market discussions
   i. A keynote presentation on the role of the forest sector in climate change mitigation;
   ii. Discussions on forest products trends in the different sub-regions; and
   iii. A dialogue with the private sector

(b) Matters arising from the sixty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

(c) Matters arising from the seventy-fourth session of the Committee

(d) Draft Rules of Procedure for the Committee

(e) Programme of Work and publications 2018-2019

(f) Strategic Framework 2020-2021

(g) Election of officers

(h) Date and place of next meeting

(i) Any other business

4. FAO European Forestry Commission (EFC) matters

(a) Follow-up to the decisions of the thirty-eighth session of the European Forestry Commission (shared competence – MS vote)

(b) Forestry activities of the FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (shared competence – MS vote)

(c) Forest Invasive Species Network for Europe and Central Asia (shared competence – MS vote)

(d) Forest and Landscape Restoration work under climate change conditions in the region (shared competence – MS vote)

(e) Progress of Silva Mediterranea and the Working Party on the Management of Mountain Watersheds (shared competence – MS vote)

(f) Strengthening FAO’s work on boreal and temperate forests (shared competence – MS vote)

(g) Contributions of FAO’s work in forestry to the implementation of the SDGs within the scope of FAO-REU Regional Initiatives (shared competence – MS vote)
(h) The Committee on World Food Security (CFS) High-level Panel of Experts (HLPE) study on Sustainable forestry for food security and nutrition (shared competence – MS vote)

(i) A new strategic document for FAO in forestry (shared competence – MS vote)

(j) FAO contributions to the global process (shared competence – MS vote)

(k) Frequency of the EFC sessions (shared competence – MS vote)

(l) Contributions to FAO governance (shared competence – MS vote)

(m) Election of officers, date and place of next meeting (MS competence - MS vote)

(n) Any other business

5. Adoption of the joint session report and closure of the joint session.