ECE/FAO Team of Specialists on Wood Energy

Reference to Integrated Work Programme:

Work Area 1, “Data, monitoring and assessment” and Work Area 2, “Policy dialogue and advice”

A. Objectives

1. Advise and support the joint ECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section activities in Work Areas 1 and 2 on the methodology for, the implementation of and the follow-up on the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry and specific studies related to wood energy;

2. Contribute to a better understanding of wood energy statistics as a basis for sound policy making.

B. Activities

1. Monitor and analyse the policy aspects of the use of wood for energy generation and the implications for the forest sector;

2. Provide guidance on the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry (JWEE) data collection and analysis process including on indicators, the structure of the JWEE questionnaire, and the review of wood energy parameters (such as heating values and conversion factors);

3. Build the capacity of ECE member states to develop reliable statistics on wood energy sources and uses;

4. Disseminate information on wood energy and liaise with relevant ToS and other organizations concerned with wood energy statistics.

C. Expected major outputs

1. List of recommendations on the methods for, analysis and conduct of the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry;

2. Suggestions on the focus of work on wood energy-related publications and products;

3. Improved quality and quantity of replies to the JWEE. ECE/TIM/2013/2 FO: EFC/2013/2

D. Background

Established/ Approved by: The ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry and the FAO European Forestry Commission, Rovaniemi, Finland, 2013.

Duration: From January 2014 to December 2015.

Methods of work: Annual meeting. Other methods to be determined by the Team.

Team leader: To be elected at first Team meeting

Communication: The Team Leader and secretariat should ensure close cooperation with the Teams of Specialists on Sustainable Forest Products and the Team of Specialists on Forest Products Statistics.