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## European Forestry Commission

**Thirty-eighth session** Engelberg, 2-6 November 2015

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

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

#### 2. Global and regional context

- (a) United Nations Summit on the post-2015 development agenda (including the Sustainable Development Goals and the role of forests in post-2015 agenda);
- (b) 11<sup>th</sup> Session of United Nations Forum on Forests (including the Resolution on the International Arrangement on Forests beyond 2015 and the Ministerial Declaration "The forests we want: beyond 2015");
- (c) XIV World Forestry Congress; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (d) 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe and the Extraordinary Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe;
- (e) Implementation of outcomes of global and regional policy processes by COFFI and EFC; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (f) Forest Resources Assessment 2015; (Shared competence MS vote)
- (g) Regional reporting on forests and Sustainable Forest Management. (Shared competence MS vote)

#### **3.** Forest products and services

(a) Wood and wood products/Market discussions.



#### 4. Markets and investments in Forest Ecosystem Services

(a) Forest Ecosystem Services and financing Sustainable Forest Management

#### 5. Forest ecosystem services

- (a) Disaster risk reduction and watershed management;
- (b) Biodiversity maintenance;
- (c) Climate change mitigation, substitution and adaptation, and Forest Landscape Restoration.

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

- (a) Integrated Programme of Work 2014-2017; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (b) Planning for the 2016 Strategic Review of the Integrated Programme of Work 2014-17; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (c) Report of the thirty-seventh session of the Joint ECE/FAO Working Party on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management; (Shared competence – MS vote)
- (d) Rovaniemi Action Plan implementation. (*Shared competence MS vote*)

#### 7. ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry matters

- (a) Matters arising from the sixty-sixth session of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe;
- (b) Matters arising from the seventy-second session of the Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry;
- (c) COFFI Programme of Work 2016-2017;
- (d) Strategic Framework 2018-2019;
- (e) COFFI Rules of Procedure;
- (f) Election of officers;
- (g) Date and place of the next session.

#### 8. FAO European Forestry Commission matters

- (a) Follow-up to the decisions of the thirty-seventh session of the European Forestry Commission; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (b) Gender, youth and education; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (c) Contributions to FAO Governance; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (d) Progress in *Silva Mediterranea* and the Working Party on the Management of Mountain Watersheds; (*Shared competence MS vote*)
- (e) Election of officers; (*MS competence MS vote*)

(f) Date and place of the next session. (*MS competence – MS vote*)

#### 9. Any other business

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