



## Matters from 66th session of UNECE

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# "Committing to action on sustainable development in times of change"

- SDGs
- Competition on "Ideas for change"

## High-level statement on the post-2015 development agenda and expected sustainable development goals

- "ECE is ideally placed to continue to make a strong contribution to sustainable development by", among others, "strengthening the sustainable management of ecosystems and natural resources".
- In cooperation with FAO, ECE contributes to the sustainable management of forests in the region and fosters the contribution of forests to a green economy".

# Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing

- Endorsed by Commission as non-legally binding instrument -> Habitat III
- Sustainability of the construction sector (minimizing environmental impact; reduction of carbon footprint throughout lifecycle of buildings)
- Wood/timber not explicitly mentioned, but: green homes/ green building

## High-level dialogue panel on sustainable management of ecosystems and natural resources

- Presentations (forestry-related):
  - Tiina Ryttilä, State Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Finland
    - Rovaniemi Action Plan
  - Janusz Zaleski, Deputy Director General, Polish State Forests, Poland
    - Polish Forest Exhibition



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# THANK YOU!



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