

# **Strategic Review of the Warsaw Integrated Programme of Work**

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# The Strategic Review process



Secretariat shared a first summary on the survey outcome and draft of key elements for the new IPoW with JB for their review (12 June 2020)

Informal discussion on the survey outcome and key elements for the new IPoW (18 June)

First draft of the IPoW 2022-2025 and survey outcome prepared by the secretariat as COFFI document in coordination with the two Chairs for JB review (10 July)

Presentation of the SR process and the results of the stakeholders' survey by the secretariat at the COFFI session (November 2020)

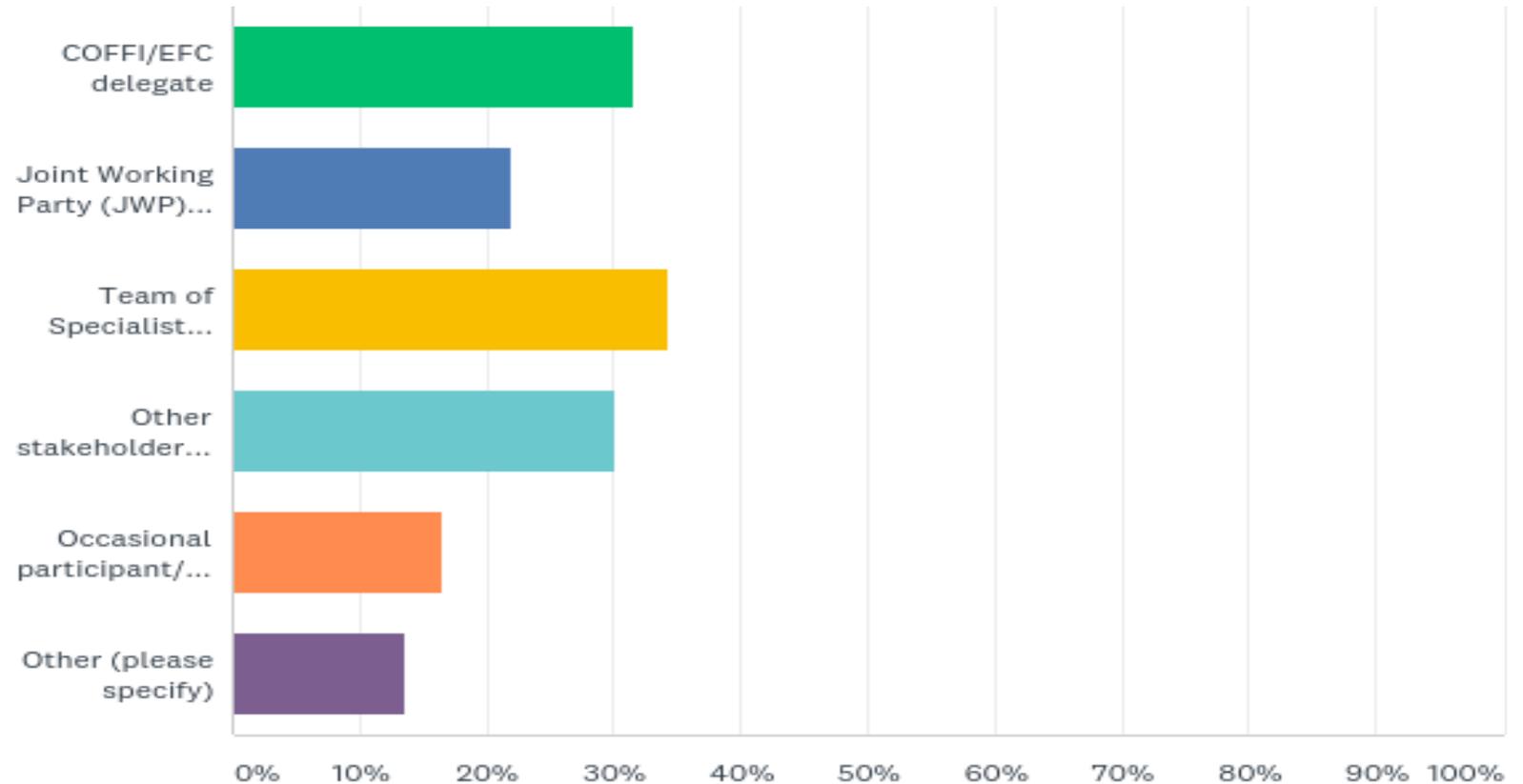
Second draft of the new IPoW and summary of survey prepared by the secretariat (December 2020-January 2021)  
Second draft reviewed by JB (January-February 2021)  
Second JB draft of the new IPoW and summary discussed by stakeholders at JWP meeting (March 2021).  
Final draft after JB review (May-June 2021).  
Joint sessions of COFFI and the EFC to finalize and adopt the new 2022-2025 IPoW (October 2021).

# Survey overview

## Participants



- 73 responses total
- 14 from member State representatives
- 28 countries

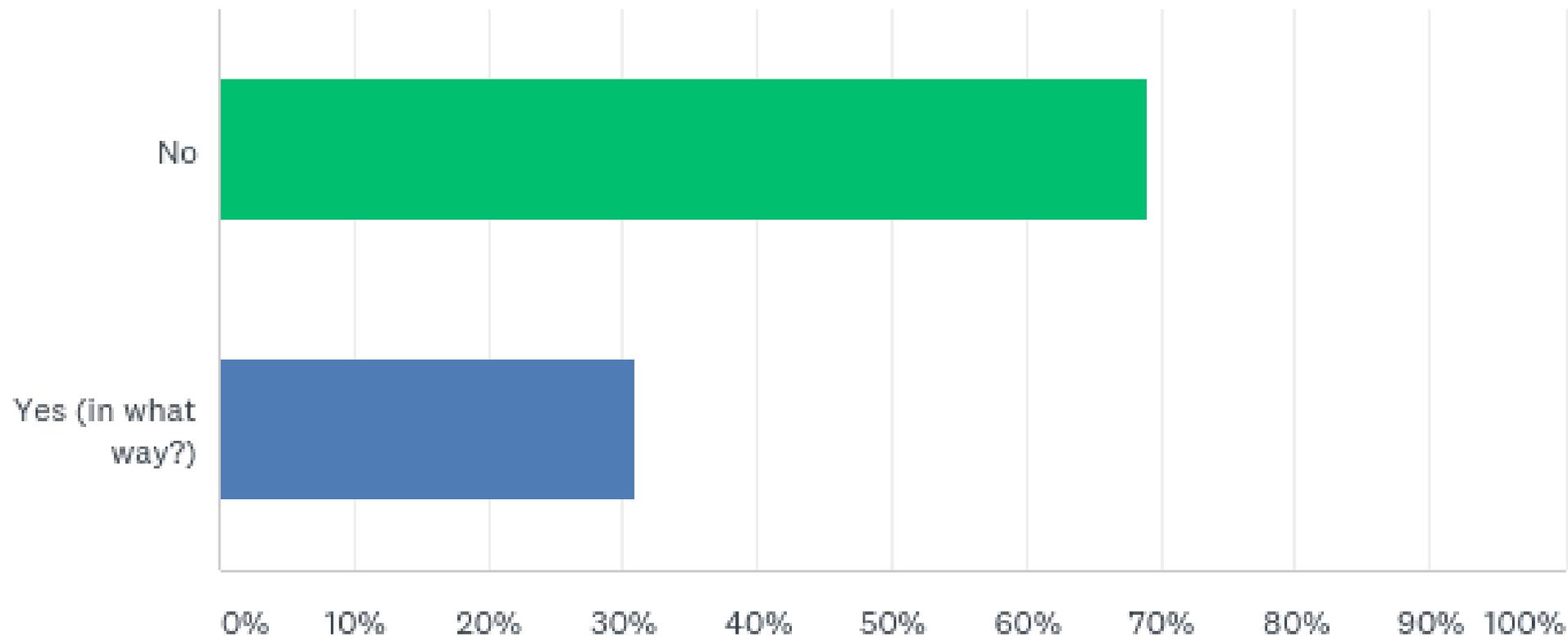




***For a comprehensive summary of the survey, please refer to ECE/TIM/2020/Inf.4***

- Forest resources (77%)
- Forest products and markets (72%)
- The role of the forest sector in a circular bio-economy (56%)
- Wood Energy (51%)

# Should the goals and objective of the new IPoW 2022-2025 be modified?

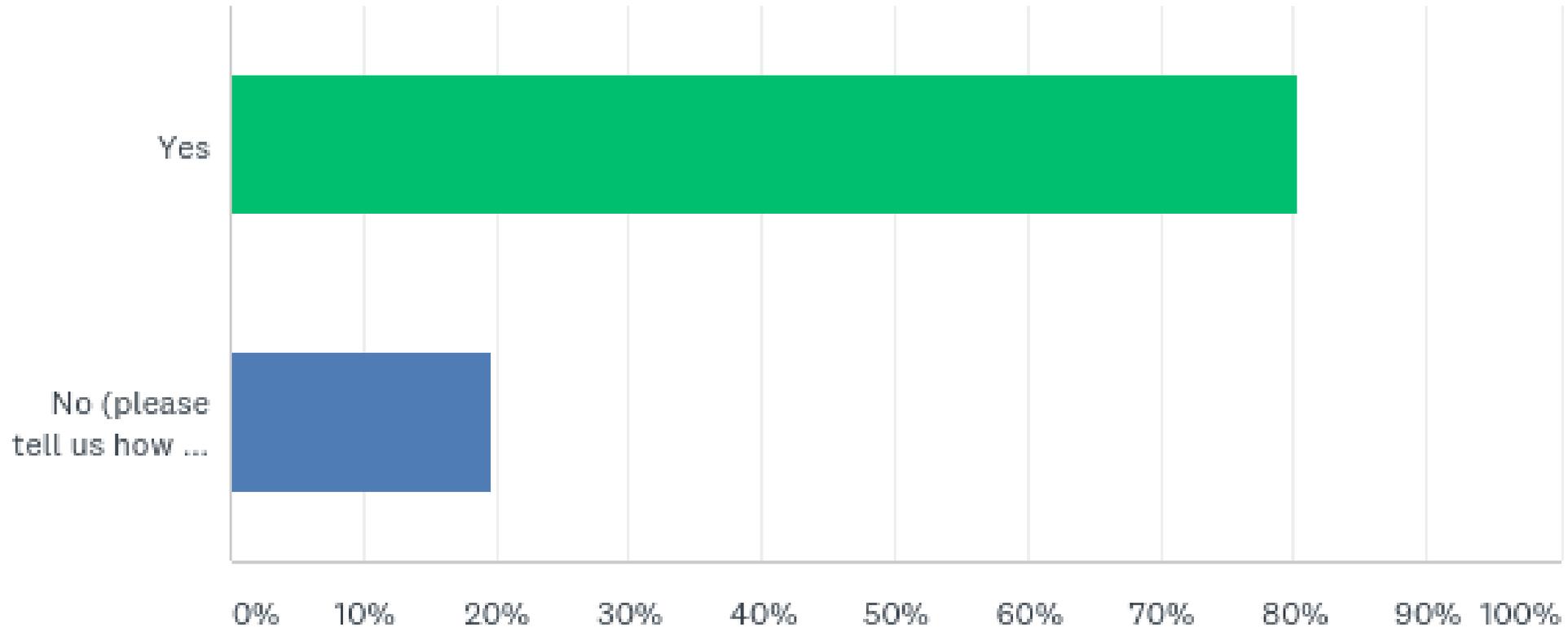


# In what way should goals and objectives be modified:



- Assessing the role of forests in climate change mitigation and trade-offs between sequestration in forests vs. wood products;
- More emphasis on forest disturbances (incl. fire), biodiversity, change of species composition of forests;
- Focus on the role/contribution of forests and wood in the circular bio-economy

# Did the scope of the WIPoW 2018-2021 address challenges of the region in a meaningful way?

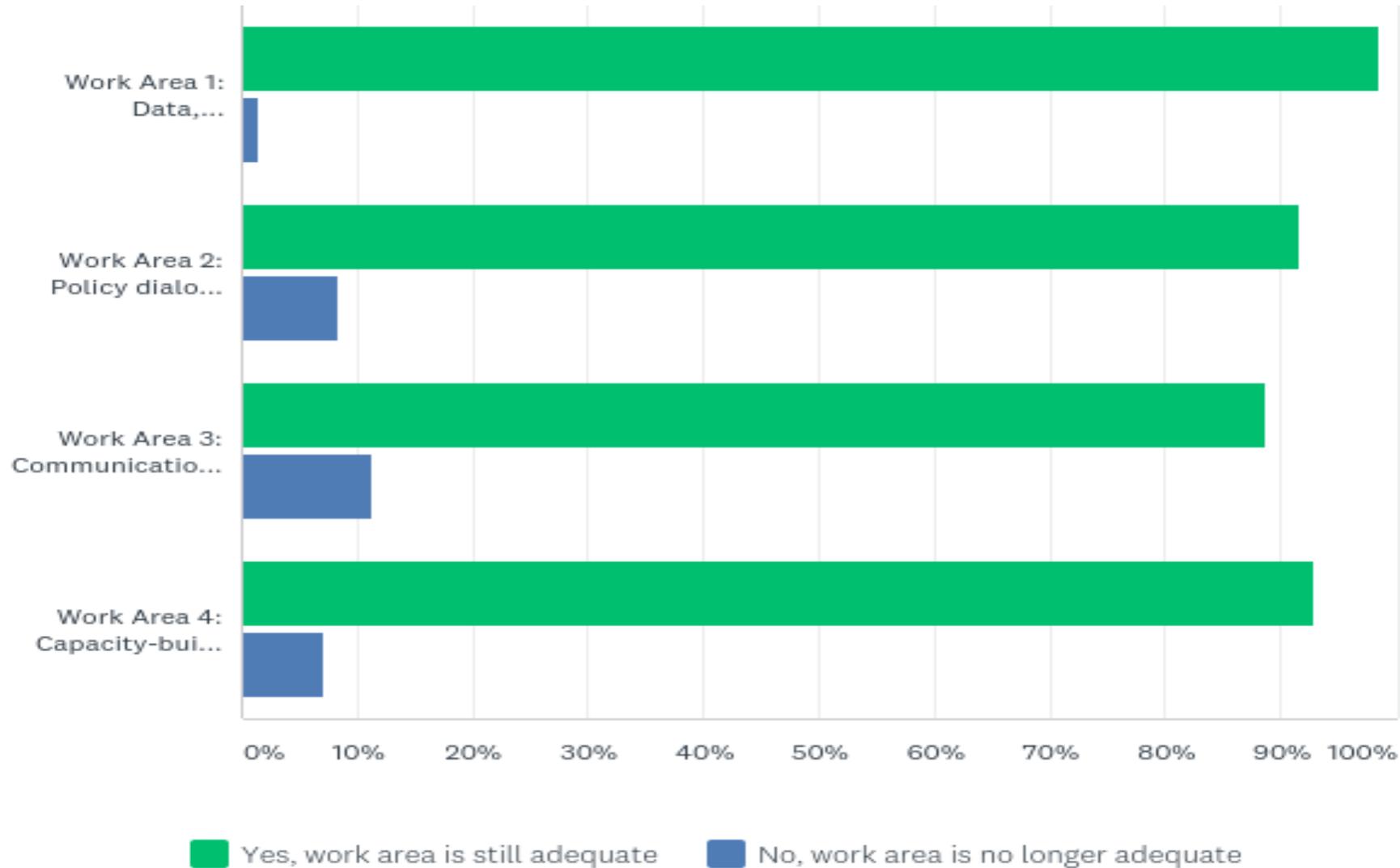


# How could the next IPoW 2022-2025 be improved?



- Linkages between SFM and green economy
- Circular economy
- Impacts of COVID-19 on forest sector and lessons learned
- Science and innovation
- Disturbances
- International agreements
- Visibility
- Avoid duplication of efforts

# Are the existing work areas adequate to address key challenges in the region?



# Ideas for other work areas & services to include in next IPoW (survey)



- Information and guidance on addressing forest damage and adapt to climate change
- Digitalization
- Exchange of experiences
- Harmonization of data assessment
- Focus on urban forestry
- Assessing relevance and current needs

# Ideas for other work areas & services to include in next IPoW (informal consultatio)



- Data collection on forest disturbances
- Circular bio-economy
- Balance between SFM and wood products
- Digital communication solutions



# Teams of Specialists under the WIPoW

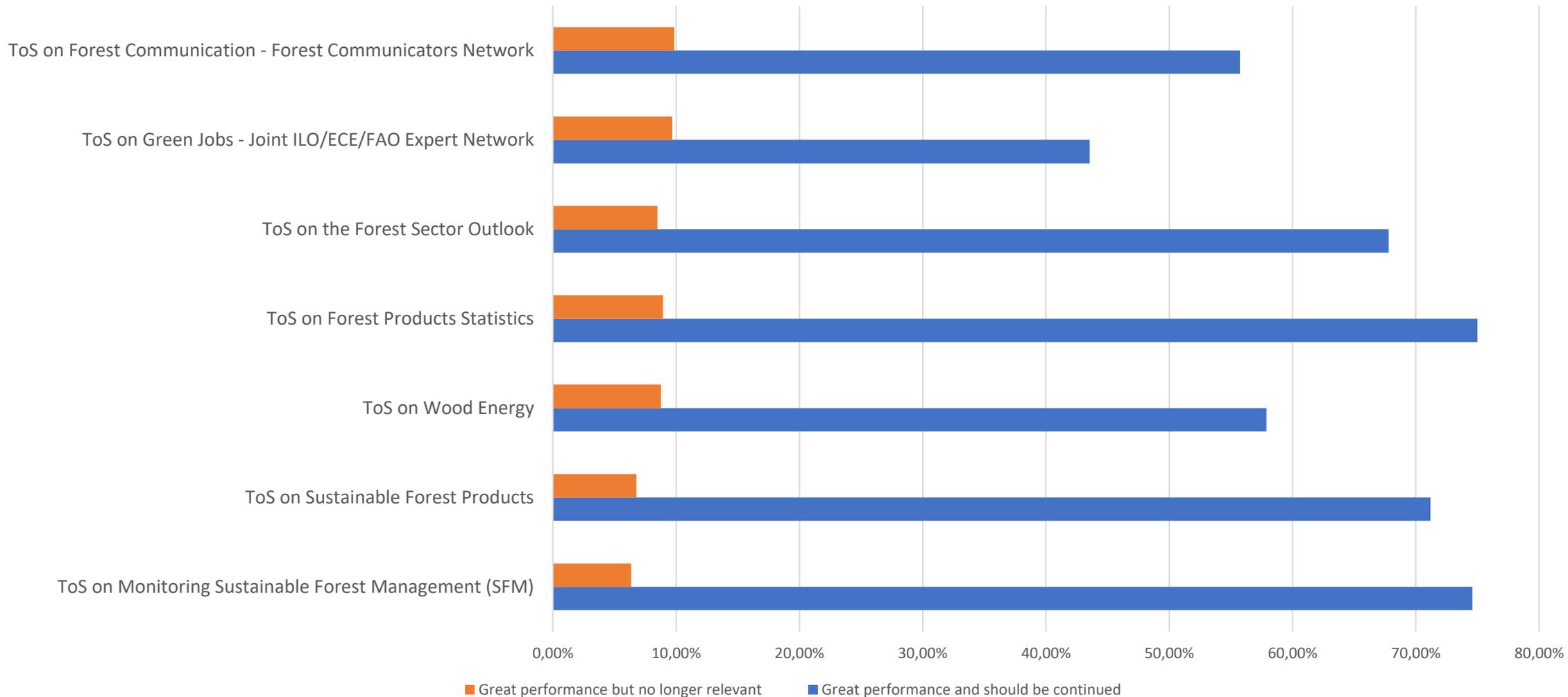
- 8 ToS under WIPoW
- 7 mandates extended in 2019, 1 new mandate established (Boreal)
- Lifetime of ToS' is limited
- Review after two years
- Recommendations by Joint Working Party

Team of Specialists on	At the Joint Session of ECE COFFI and FAO EFC in 2019:	Contribution to the WIPoW
... <b>Monitoring Sustainable Forest Management</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021</b>	WA 1, WA 2 and WA 4: to focus on sustainable forest management monitoring for different ECE and FAO studies and reviews, sustainable forest management assessment and work on criteria and indicators.
... <b>Sustainable Forest Products</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021</b>	WA 1 and WA 4: to focus on forest products and markets, market statements.
... <b>Forest Products Statistics</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021</b>	WA 1 and WA 4: to support work on statistics in the JWP.
... <b>Wood Energy</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021</b>	WA 1, WA2, and WA4: to support the development of data and relevant advice on wood energy in the region.
... <b>Forest Sector Outlook</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021, ToS on Forest Policy was integrated</b>	WA 1, WA 2, and WA 4: to support the development of Outlook Studies; to focus on forest policies in the region and provide capacity-building
... <b>Forest Communication</b>	<b>ToS Merged with FAO global Forest Communicators' Network</b>	WA 3 and WA 4: to provide advice in support of relevant events, campaigns and PR efforts; support dissemination of results of other ToS
... <b>Green Jobs in the Forest Sector</b>	<b>Existing mandate was extended to 2021</b>	WA 2 and WA 4: to focus on green jobs and capacity-building activities in support of SFM
... <b>Boreal Forests</b>	<b>Established new ToS with mandate until 2021</b>	WA 1 and WA 2



# Performance of Teams of Specialists

Rate performance of each Team of Specialists



# General conclusions from Informal Discussion (18 June)



- 4 existing work areas remain relevant
- Digitalization
- Communication is key
- Support for forest landscape restoration activities
- Disturbances and climate change
- Circular bio-economy concept needs clarity
- Avoidance of overlapping activities and strengthened cooperation with FAO

# General conclusions from Informal Discussion (18 June)



- People with field experience in ToS
- Greater cooperation between ToS
- Increase visibility and outreach of ToS' work
- Possible discontinuation of ToS on Forest Communication and ToS on Green Jobs



- The Committee is invited to:
  - (i) make recommendations on the development the new Integrated Programme of Work 2022-2025;
  - (ii) agree on the adjustments to the approved roadmap as contained in ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2, which were needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Thank you!



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