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Reporting on the pan-European Qualitative Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management and

National Implementation of Commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

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Abbreviations

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity

EU European Union

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FRA Forest Resources Assessment

FTE Full Time Equivalent

Hectares

MCPFE Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe (abbreviation replaced

by brand name FOREST EUROPE, November 2009)
National Forest Programme

Nfp NGO Non-governmental organization Sustainable Forest Management SFM

UNECE United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

UNFCCC UNFF United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

United Nations Forum on Forests

Introduction

In preparation for the sixth Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe, planned to be held in Norway in June 2011, FOREST EUROPE¹ correspondents are asked to provide information to assess progress made since the reporting for the fifth Ministerial Conference in Warsaw, Poland 2007. This enquiry intends to enable signatory countries and the European Union to provide information on progress made towards sustainable forest management and implementation of commitments in the period 2007-2011. Countries which did not report for the fifth Ministerial Conference in 2007 may consider reporting also more in-depth on the current status of indicators, not only on changes.

This enquiry consists of two parts.

Part 1 contains the pan-European qualitative indicators for sustainable forest management. Results from this part will be combined with the results of the reporting on pan-European quantitative indicators (sent to the FRA national correspondents on 19.02.10), and will be presented in the next report on the State of Europe's Forests.

Part 2 contains reporting of implementation of FOREST EUROPE commitments since 2007. It asks for national implementation of the Warsaw commitments and provides the opportunity to report on any major national activities since 2007 in implementing former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe. National responses to this part of the enquiry will be published in a report on implementation of FOREST EUROPE Commitments 2007-2011, together with reporting on pan-European implementation of Warsaw commitments and former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe.

The reports "State of Europe's Forests 2011" and "Implementation of FOREST EUROPE Commitments 2007-2011" (preliminary names) will serve as background information for the political discussions of future opportunities and challenges, and political responses to these, at the sixth Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe.

The structure of this questionnaire was improved, compared to the 2007 version by learning from previous experience. The main change from the previous version is that reporting on national implementation of former commitments is separated and simplified. The change is meant to reduce the reporting burden on countries, while still providing for descriptions of national implementation of Warsaw commitments and former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe, if applicable. The questionnaire was prepared in consultation with partners at FAO and FOREST EUROPE, shared with the UNECE/FAO Team of Specialists on Monitoring SFM and FOREST EUROPE national focal points, and subsequently improved.

In completing the enquiry, you may wish to consult the following sources of information on policies and institutions:

MCPFE 2007 qualitative indicators: http://www.unece.org/timber/fra/mcpfe07qualcountryreport.htm

FRA 2010²: http://www.fao.org/forestry/44375/en

FAO-LEX: http://faolex.fao.org/faolex

 $^{^1}$ "FOREST EUROPE" has recently replaced the abbreviation "MCPFE" as the brand name of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

² Country data not yet available

1. Reporting on the pan-European Qualitative Indicators

Reporting on pan-European Qualitative Indicators consists of parts A and B. The five indicators in **Part A:** "Overall policies, institutions and instruments for SFM" aim to describe overall policy approaches for a sustainable forest management. **Part B:** "Policies, institutions and instruments by policy area" contains twelve indicators aiming to provide information in addition to the information provided in Part A. This concerns the specific policy objectives, the main institutions relevant to achieve the objective as well as the main policy instruments used. Under both A and B, significant changes since the last reporting process in 2007 should be reported. There is no need to repeat information already supplied in 2007³. This part will be used for the report on the *State of Europe's Forests 2011*. Please see Annex 1 for Terms and definitions, and Annex 2 for an overview of the pan-European qualitative indicators.

For reporting, please note the following:

- In the tables all requests for responses are marked by [], visible on computer screens (not necessarily on print-outs). All requests for responses are limited to approximately 100 words or 650 letters (including blank spaces) automatically in order to keep the analytical efforts within reasonable bounds.
- The sum of texts provided per indicator in Parts A and B should not exceed 2 pages, and be around 1 page, if possible.
- Changes since the reporting in 2007 will be analyzed systematically, first by determining whether or not such changes were reported. No information is interpreted as "no significant change".
- 4. The main indicator related to climate change is B.2 (carbon balance). Please include information related to climate change policies under this indicator. Where relevant, you can also include information related to climate change under B.3 (health and vitality) and B.4 (production and use of wood).
- Please provide further information on the measures taken, as deemed relevant, e.g. major partners in implementation, time period, budget involved experiences made (lessons learned, obstacles encountered and solutions).
- 6. Please provide the latest information available unless otherwise specified
- Please specify reference documents as follows: Author or institution. Year of publication (if published). Title. Reference Number. Publisher.

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³ Country Reports submitted in 2007 are available at: http://www.unece.org/timber/fra/mcpfe07qualcountryreport.htm

A. Overall policies, institutions and instruments for SFM

A.1. National forest pro	gramı	mes (Nfp) or similar an	d related for	est po	licies		
Nfp or similar process fo	r fore	st related dialogue, po	licy developn	nent 8	implen	nenta	tion
Existence of Nfp process or o similar process	f 📙	 ☐ Formal Nfp process¹ ☐ Process explicitly guided by Nfp principles ☐ Similar process ☐ None of the above 					
Name of Nfp or similar process		Name: Programme Forestier National Internet link: www.pfn.lu			Starting year: 2004		4
Main formal decision making body of the process		Body with members other Ministry responsible for for Other. Please specify:		sponsi	ble for fo	restry	
Characteristics of Nfp or si	milar p	process, including Nfp pr	rinciples as de	fined b	y MCPF	E	
Commitment to iterative proce	ess			Yes/ fully	Partly	No	Don't know
Who is regularly participating in the Nfp or similar process?	Fores Fores Fores	☐ If yes, which: ☐ mostly forma Yes ☐ agriculture ☐ mostly informa ☐ ☐ tourism — mostly partic No ☐ energy ☐ mostly partic					
Are other sectors actively involved in the Nfp or similar process?	□ Yes				y sectors involved: al arrangements ² mal arrangements cipation in Nfp workshops rate consultation processes		
Are other policies and international commitments ⁴ explicitly referred to in the Nfp or similar process?	National development policy/strategy International forest-related commitments ³ Other: National Nature Action Plan Other: National Cooperation Development			Yes/ fully	Partly	No	Don't know
How is policy implementation monitored and evaluated?	☐ Pr ☐ Pe	Strategy Pre-specified periodic monitoring Periodically, but not pre-determined Not specified, not planned Other: Specified, but not yet executed					
and evaluated?	LARA MICIPEE Criteria & indicators for SEM L			Yes/ fully ⊠	Partly	No	Don't know
Significant changes related to the Nfp process or similar since 2007	none						
Major results of the Nfp or similar process and key lessons learned	Agreement on a global vision for the development of the national forest sector. Definition of priority mesures and financial support from the ministry for the implementation of the mesures.						
Comments on the Nfp or similar process	none						

Forest policy document (na strategy or other)	ational forest progra	amme document, for	est poli	cy state	ment,	
Existence of forest policy document (other than law)	Yes	⊠ No				
Title of main forest policy document ⁴ and internet links	Title: Internet links:					
Forest policy document development process		cess or process explicition to Nfp or other proces		d by Nfp	principl	es
Name of endorsing/authorizing /enacting institution of the forest policy document			Date of endors			
Current status of the forest policy document	☐ in development ☐ in implementati ☐ in review					
			Yes/ fully	Partly	No	Don't know
	MCPFE definition o	MCPFE definition of SFM				
	MCPFE criteria and indicators for SFM					
Is there explicit reference to /	MCPFE guidelines for Nfps					
uptake of MCPFE instruments in the forest policy document?	Protective Forests a	on of Protected and and Other Wooded			_	
	MCPFE Pan-Europ Level Guidelines fo Management.	ean Operational r Sustainable Forest				
	MCPFE Pan-Europ Afforestation and R					
If the responsibility for forest policy Existence of formally endorsed	subnational forest po	olicy document(s)		☐ Yes	;	
Significant changes related to main forest policy document since 2007	Please specify [max	x. 100 words]				
Comments on the forest policy document						
Reporting notes						
1. Formal Nfp process means formally and explicitly acknowledged and referred to as "Nfp process"						
2. Formal arrangements comprise e.g. steering committees or other decision making bodies, consultative bodies, sector-specific working groups, etc.						

- 3. You may wish to refer for instance to UNFF Non-Legally Binding Instrument on All Types of Forests, CBD, UNFCCC, etc.
- 4. The main forest policy document can be a national forest programme document, a forest policy statement, a forest strategy or other. Forest legislation is covered separately under A3.

A.2. Institutional fram	ieworks					
A.Z. Institutional Irail	Please specify the type of forest-related institutional arrangements - forest policy administration - legislative supervision & enforcement - general support to forest management - management of public forests	Part Minis	stry	Separate body	other	
Government bodies	Please specify the level of main responsibility - forest policy administration legislative supervision & enforcement - general support to forest management - management of public forests		ment	Subnational governments	other	
	Comments [max. 100 words] Luxembourg has 2 ministries responsible for forestry: the department of environement of the ministry of sustainable development and infrastructures as well as the ministry of agriculture for sylvicultural aspects only. The executive body is the administration of nature and forests.					
	Name or group/type ¹ :		Forest-related staff ² (2008,FTE)		ff ²	
	Total [estimate]		220			
Resources and capacity of public organizations	of which forest administration ³		10			
related to forests	of which management of public forests		205			
	of which public forest research, education and training institutions		5			
	of which others					
Main private sector	Name					
organizations relevant	Letzebueger Privatbesch asbl					
for forest policy (interest groups, associations	FSC Luxembourg					
and NGOs etc.)	PEFC Luxembourg					
Significant changes in the institutional framework, public and private, since 2007	Please specify [max. 100 words] The public administration responsible for forests was reorganised in 2009-10 in order to focus more on regional and local activities, as well as on nature protection activities.					
Comments on the institutional framework	none					
Penarting notes						

Comment [B1]: Which Ministry is the administration of nature and forests part

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- 1. Please provide aggregated figures for each group/type of organizations, including all levels of government. Publicly owned business entities should be excluded. Where it is impossible or inappropriate to separate the activities of publicly owned business entities from other public sector activities in forest sector, this should be noted and staff of the entities should be included in the table. Please specify in the space left for comments which institutions are included (or not) in the figures you provide.
- 2. Forest-related staff in public organizations includes human resources within public forest institutions at subnational level. This refers to professionals as well as administrative staff.
- "Forest administration" includes the first three sub-categories mentioned in the previous part of the table, i.e. forest policy administration, legislative supervision & enforcement, and general support to forest management.

A.3. Legal/regulatory frameworks and international commitments				
Legal/regulatory frameworks				
General characteristics of legal/regulatory framework: formal authority on main forest matters is laid down [multiple answers possible]	☐ in constitution ☐ in legislation enacted by parliament ☐ in administrative decrees / regulations only other:		□ at central government level □ at federal level □ other:	
Main forest and SFM related legal/regulatory act with national scope (e.g. Forest law, act or code) Significant changes in	Main changes from previous legal act Date of enactment Date of latest amendment Please specify [max.	bois administrés. •Loi du 30 janvier 1951 ayant pour objet la protection de bois. •Loi du 19 janvier 2004 concernant la protection de la nature et des ressources naturelles. •Loi du 5 juin 2009 portant création de l'Administration de la nature et des forêts. Reorganisation of the public administration responsible for forests		
the legal/regulatory framework since 2007		EFI Convention (Lo	oi du 20 avril 2009 portant approbation	
Comments	none			
International commitme	nts			
Significant changes in implementation of international commitments related to forests signed by your country, since 2007 Comments	Please specify [max.	100 words] none		

Comment [B2]:
According to your previous reply ("in legislation enacted by parliament") you should not tick this one ("only")

A.4. Financial instrum	nents and economic p	olicy		
Economic policy	-			
Main characteristics of economic policy related to forests	Please describe the main objectives and instruments used in forest-related economic policy. [max. 100 words] no forest-related economic policy, except objectives included in PFN (increase of harvesting rate, better marketing of wood products, promotion for the use of wood)			
Significant changes in economic policy related to forests (public and private) since 2007	Please specify [max. 100 words] none			
Comments	none			
Financial instruments				
Public forest management	management [max. 100 v Public forest management i protection activities, that ar	s financed by the public own e financed by the governmen	ners, except the forest	
Government financial instruments: private forest management	Please specify the use of financial instruments, including fiscal measures, subsidies, loans etc. for private forests and their management, incl. main objectives [max. 100 words] The main private forest management activities (planting, thinning, protection,) are subsidized by the government. The government also subsidies the support structure for private forest owners, as well as the national certification schemes.			
Public expenditure ¹				
Year:	Domestic funding (mil€)	External funding (mil€)	Total (mil€)	
Operational expenditure ³				
Transfer payments (support to private forest management) 4				
Total public expenditure ¹				
Of which ⁵	For forest administration			
	For management of public forests			
	For public forest research, education and training institutions			
	For other institutions. Plea			
Significant changes in financial instruments related to forests since 2007	Please specify [max. 100 none	words]		
Comments	none			

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 Data on operational expenditure, transfer payments and total public expenditure for the year 2009 has been reported to FRA 2010 (http://www.fao.org/forestry/fra) in local currency. FRA definitions and reporting guidelines, also specified in these reporting notes, apply. Please indicate figures based on FRA data, or updated figures when available. Please specify the year which the data refers to in the intended box.

Public expenditure refers to all government expenditures on forest related activities. It corresponds to the total budget allocated and spent by all concerned institutions. It includes expenditures for administrative functions, reforestation funds, direct support to forest sector (e.g. grants and subsidies) and support to other institutions (e.g. training and research centers). It excludes expenditures in publicly owned business entities. Where it is impossible or inappropriate

Comment [B3]:

Could you please provide data, or indicate "n.a." if it is not available?

- to separate the activities of publicly owned business entities from other public sector activities in forest sector, this should be noted and expenditure of the entities should be included in the table. In this case, please specify in the space left for comments which institutions you included (or not).
- 2. Operational expenditure is all government expenditure on public institutions solely engaged in the forest sector. Where the forest administration is part of a larger public agency (e.g. department or ministry), this should only include the forest sector component of the agency's total expenditure. As far as possible, this should also include other institutions (e.g. in research, training and marketing) solely engaged in the forest sector, but it should exclude the expenditure of publicly owned business entities. Where it is impossible or inappropriate to separate the activities of publicly owned business entities from other public sector activities in forest sector, this should be noted and expenditure of the entities should be included in the table. In this case, please specify in the space left for comments which institutions you included (or not). Operational expenditure includes expenditure on: personnel; materials; operating costs; and capital investment (e.g. buildings, equipment, tools, vehicles and machinery), whether funded by domestic or external sources of finance. It includes expenditure on contract or outsourced activities. It also includes the operating costs associated with any forest sector incentive schemes. It excludes expenditure on: marketing; trade facilitation; general research, education, training; or development projects, where forest is not the main focus of activities.
- 3. Transfer payments refer to all government expenditure on direct financial incentives paid to non-government and private-sector institutions, enterprises communities or individuals operating in the forest sector to implement forest related activities. It includes cash grants and subsidies. It excludes tax incentives; government loans; benefits in kind (free or subsidized materials and/or advice). It also excludes direct financial incentives available to all individuals and enterprises or not specifically related to forest related activities (e.g. relocation grants, employment subsidies, general training grant schemes).
- 4. See A2 reporting notes.

A.5. Informational me	eans		
Main characteristics of	Please describe the main objectives and instruments used in forest-related		
informational policies	informational policy. [max. 100 words]		
	Forest certification (national FSC and PEFC schemes)		
	Public procurement policy for wood products (under elaboration)		
	Operation of 4 regional information centers		Comment [B4]:
	Does a written (governmental) forest-related outreach and Yes		What are the objectives of your forest-
	communication strategy exist?		related information policy/measures?
	If so, please provide reference:		Could you please specify if there are
Significant changes in	Please specify [max. 100 words] Elaboration of a public procurement policy		particular instruments/tools aimed at
informational means /	for wood products (still not finalised)		raisinf awareness / informing citizens on
forest related		1	certification schemes and public procurement policy? (which are not
communication since		\\.	information instruments in themselves)
2007		`_	
Comments	none	`	Comment [B5]: Are you
			communicating on this? Otherwise it is
			not really an information tool.

B. Policies, institutions and instruments by policy area

B.1. Land use and forest area & other wooded land					
Changes in main	Please describe changes [max. 100 words]				
objectives since 2007	none				
	Policy objectives / targets related to forest area:				
	★ to remain about the same				
	to increase by ha within / until (period or year)				
	to limit decreasing to ha within / until (period or year)				
	no objective / other. Please explain:				
	Policy objective / targets related to short rotation forestry area:				
	to remain about the same				
	to increase by ha within / until (period or year)				
	no objective / other. Please explain:				
Changes in main legal or reference document(s)	\square yes (if yes, please fill in below) \boxtimes no				
since 2007	Name/reference				
Changes in most	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal				
relevant institutions	responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words]				
since 2007	none				
Changes in main	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the				
instruments used since	main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]				
2007	Elaboration of new tools for the monitoring of land-use changes.				
Other comments	none				

Comment [B6]: FOR WHOLE PART B:

This part focuses on changes.

As your country did not report for the 2007 enquiry, we would appreciate it if you could provide more general data and not only focus on changes since 2007, otherwise we will have a substantial data gap.

Many thanks in advance.

B.2. Carbon balance		
Changes in main	Please describe changes [max. 100 words]	
objectives since 2007	Discussions still running on this topic (decisions and new objectives expected by	
	mid 2011)	 Comment [B7]: No objectives taken
	Policy objectives / targets related to carbon sequestration by forests:	yet in relation with Kyoto Protocol?
	☐ Yes. ☐ No	
	If yes, please describe objectives: [max 100 words]	
	Existence of specific policy / measures for forests adaptation to climate change: No No	
	If yes, please describe objectives: Some guidelines for species adaption to site conditions. Work still running at scientific level. [max 100 words]	 Comment [B8]: Thanks for this
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no	information, which is rather about instruments than objectives. Could you
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference	please specify the objectives if already identified?
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none	
Changes in main	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the	
instruments used since	main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]	
2007	none	 Comment [B9]: You may wish to
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none	mention here the guidelines presented above

B.3. Health and vitality				
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words]			
Objectives since 2007	none			
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no			
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference			
Changes in most	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal			
relevant institutions	responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words]			
since 2007	none			
Changes in main	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the			
instruments used since	main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]			
2007	none			
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none			

B.4. Production and u	use of wood	
Changes in main	Please describe changes [max. 100 words]	
objectives since 2007	New guidelines on wood commercialization from public forests. Elaboration of a	
	public procurement policy on wood products (not finalized).	Comment [B10]: Thanks for this interesting information. You are
	Policy objectives / targets related to the harvesting of wood: ⊠ to remain about the same	describing instruments rather than objectives. Could you please specify the policy objectives?
	to increase by m³ within / until (period or year)	policy objectives:
	no objective / other. Please explain:	
	Policy objectives / targets related to the use of wood:	
	Consumption of energy from wood:	
	to increase	
	by within/until (period or year)	
	Use of forest products in construction:	
	to increase	
	by within/until (period or year)	Comment [B11]: Please specify specific target if existing.
	Other uses: [please specify]:	specific tanget it emissing.
	to [please specify: remain the same/increase/decrease] by within/until (period or year)	
Changes in most	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal	
relevant institutions	responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words]	
since 2007	none	
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no	
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference	
Changes in main	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the	
instruments used since 2007	main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]	Comment [B12]: The guidelines and
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none	procurement policy mentioned above are policy instruments and should rather be mentioned here. Thank you.

B.5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services, especially provision of							
recreation							
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] none						
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no						
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference						
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none						
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] none						
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none						

B.6. Biodiversity		
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] Target to protect as total forest reserve (class 1.1) 5% of public forests confirmed by new nature protection action plan (PNPN).	
	Policy objectives / targets related to protected forest areas: to remain about the same to increase by ha within / until (period or year) no objective / other. Please explain:	 Comment [B13]: Does the target mentioned above imply an increased protected forest area or a stabilization only?
Changes in main legal or reference	⊠ yes (if yes, please fill in below) □ no	
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference PNPN 2007-11	 Comment [B14]: Could you please spell out PNPN? Thanks.
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none	(april 2017)
Changes in main instruments used since	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]	
Other comments	New measures concerning forest biodiversity inserted in PNPN 2007-11. Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none	 Comment [B15]: Could you please briefly describe these measures? Thank you.
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- Please refer to the following levels/dimensions of biodiversity:

 1. Ecosystem, habitat, protected areas, landscape patterns
 2. Species diversity, especially tree species composition and threatened forest species
 3. Genetic diversity, especially in situ and ex situ gene conservation and seed production

B.7. Protective services					
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] none				
Changes in main legal or reference					
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference Loi du 19 décembre 2008 relative à l'eau				
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none				
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] Implementation of EU water directive. Elaboration of drinkwater protection zones.				
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none				
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Protective services cover services as specified in pan-European indicators 5.1 "Protective forests – soil, water and other ecosystem functions" and 5.2 "Protective forests – infrastructure and managed natural resources"

B.8. Economic viability					
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] none				
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no				
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference				
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none				
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] Participation in Interreg projects and activities to improve economic viability by operating close to nature sylvicultural systems (Prosylva).				
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none				

B.9. Employment (including safety and health)					
Changes in main	Please describe changes [max. 100 words]				
objectives since 2007	none				
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no				
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference				
Changes in most	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal				
relevant institutions	responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words]				
since 2007	none				
Changes in main	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the				
instruments used since	main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words]				
2007	none				
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none				

B.10. Public awareness						
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] Public awareness inserted as new mission in the law concerning the reorganisation of the public administration responsible for forests.					
Changes in main legal or reference						
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference Art 2 of "loi du 5 juin 2009 concernant la création de l'Administration de la nature te des forêts".					
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] Creation of a special unit responsible for public awareness inside the nature and forest administration.					
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] In elaboration					
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none					

B.11. Research, training and education						
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] none					
Changes in main legal or reference	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no					
document(s) since 2007	Name/reference					
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words] none					
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] New partnerships with research organizations in Germany and Belgium. Additional financial resources for training and education activities.					
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents wher relevant. none					

B.12. Cultural and spiritual values					
Changes in main objectives since 2007	Please describe changes [max. 100 words] none				
Changes in main legal or reference document(s) since 2007	☐ yes (if yes, please fill in below) ☐ no Name/reference				
Changes in most relevant institutions since 2007	Please describe changes in main responsible organizations (legal responsibility) and implementing organizations [max. 100 words]				
Changes in main instruments used since 2007	Please describe changes in main policy instruments used for achieving the main policy objectives as described above. [max. 100 words] Elaboration and publication of a new information system on cultural and spiritual objects in the forests.				
Other comments	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant. none				

2. Reporting on National⁵ Implementation of Warsaw commitments and activities since 2007 in implementing former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

Comment [B16]: Could you please fill in this Part 2? Thank you.

Please report on national implementation of Warsaw commitments, and major activities since 2007 in implementing commitments from former Ministerial Conferences, if applicable. Note that responses to this part of the enquiry will be published in the next report on implementation of FOREST EUROPE Commitments (2007-2011), together with information on pan-European implementation of Warsaw commitments and former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe.

We ask that the report on national implementation of FOREST EUROPE commitments since 2007 be kept to maximum 4 pages. Please do not report on participation in international cooperative efforts, but focus on implementation within your country

National implementation of Warsaw Declaration

Please give a description of national implementation of the commitments, including major achievements and remaining challenges.

National implementation of Warsaw Resolution 1 Forests, Wood and Energy

Please give a description of national implementation of the commitments, including major achievements and remaining challenges

National implementation of Warsaw Resolution 2 Forests and Water

Please give a description of national implementation of the commitments, including major achievements and remaining challenges

Major activities since 2007 in implementing former commitments of the Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe, if applicable

Please describe any major national activities since 2007 in implementing commitments from former Ministerial Conferences, if applicable. Please specify the Commitment (Ministerial Conference and Declaration/Resolution) to which the activity relate

⁵ Note that the European Commission is asked to report on EU relevant implementation activities

Annex 1: Terms and definitions

Forest	Land with tree group cover (or equivalent stacking level) of mare the set of
Forest	Land with tree crown cover (or equivalent stocking level) of more than 10 percent and area of more than 0.5 ha. The trees should be able to reach a minimum height of 5 m at maturity <i>in situ</i> . May consist either of closed forest formations where trees of various storeys and undergrowth cover a high proportion of the ground; or of open forest formations with a continuous vegetation cover in which tree crown cover exceeds 10 percent. Young natural stands and all plantations established for forestry purposes, which have yet to reach a crown density of 10 percent or tree height of 5m, are included under forest, as are areas normally forming part of the forest area, which are temporarily unstocked as a result of human intervention or natural causes but which are expected to revert to forest.
	Includes: Forest nurseries and seed orchards that constitute an integral part of the forest; forest roads, cleared tracts, firebreaks and other small open areas within the forest; forest in national parks, nature reserves and other protected areas such as those of special environmental, scientific, historical, cultural or spiritual interest; windbreaks and shelterbelts of trees with an area of more than 0.5 ha and a width of more than 20 m. Rubberwood plantations and cork oak stands are included.
	Excludes: Land predominantly used for agricultural practices.
Other wooded land	Land either with a tree crown cover (or equivalent stocking level) of 5-10 percent of trees able to reach a height of 5 m at maturity <i>in situ</i> ; or a crown cover (or equivalent stocking level) of more than 10 percent of trees not able to reach a height of 5 m at maturity <i>in situ</i> (e.g. dwarf or stunted trees) and shrub or bush cover.
	Excludes: Areas having the tree, shrub or bush cover specified above but of less than 0.5 ha and width of 20 m, which are classed under "other land"; Land predominantly used for agricultural practices.
Forest institutional framework	It refers mainly to the organizational set-up of forest policy in the country. It further comprises formal coordinating mechanisms between these (including e.g. national forest programme process)
Forest policy	A set of orientations and principles of actions adopted by public authorities in harmony with national socio-economic and environmental policies in a given country to guide future decisions in relation to the management, use and conservation of forest and tree resources for the benefit of the society.
National forest policy/strategy document or statement	It describes the objectives, priorities and means for implementation of the forest policy.
Subnational forest policy/strategy documents or statements	Forest policy document or statement which refers to subnational administrative units, e.g. States in a Federation or Autonomous Regions or Provinces.

According to the MCPFE approach (Vienna resolution 1), a national forest programme (Nfp) is a participatory, holistic, inter-sectoral and iterative process of policy planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation at the national and/or subnational level in order to proceed towards the further improvement of sustainable forest management as defined in Helsinki Resolution H1, and to contribute to sustainable development. "National forest The principles of Nfps in Europe are: programme" - Participation (Nfp) - Holistic and inter-sectoral approach - Iterative process with long-term commitment - Capacity building - Consistency with national legislation and policies - Integration with national sustainable development strategies - Consistency with international commitments recognising synergies between international forest related initiatives and conventions - Institutional and policy reform - Ecosystem approach - Partnership for implementation - Raising awareness Set of rules enacted by the legislative authority of a country regulating the Law (or Act or Code) on access, management, conservation and use of forest resources. forest Institutional framework is understood to refer mainly to the organizational set-Institutional up of forest policy in the country. It further comprises formal coordinating framework mechanisms between these (including e.g. national forest programme process). The processes of planning and implementing practices for the stewardship and use of forests and other wooded land aimed at achieving specific Forest environmental, economic, social and /or cultural objectives. It includes management management at all scales such as normative, strategic, tactical and operational level management. Generally refers to the legal right to freely and exclusively use, control, transfer, or otherwise benefit from a forest. Ownership can be acquired Forms of through transfers such as sales, donations, and inheritance. ownership Explanatory notes: In this questionnaire, forest ownership refers to the ownership of the trees growing on land classified as forest, regardless of whether or not the ownership of these trees coincides with the ownership of the land itself. Forest owned by the State; or administrative units of the Public Administration; or by institutions or corporations owned by the Public Administration. Explanatory notes: **Publicly** 1. Includes all the hierarchical levels of Public Administration within a country, owned forest e.g. State, Province and Municipality. 2. Shareholder corporations that are partially State-owned, are considered as under public ownership when the State holds a majority of the shares. 3. Public ownership may exclude the possibility to transfer. Forest owned by individuals, families, communities, private cooperatives, **Privately** corporations and other business entities, private religious and educational owned forest institutions, pension or investment funds, NGOs, nature conservation associations and other private institutions.

Annex 2: Pan-European qualitative indicators

A. Overall policies, institutions and instruments for sustainable forest management

A.1 National forest programmes or similar

A.2 Institutional frameworks

A.3 Legal/regulatory frameworks and international commitments

A.4 Financial instruments/economic policy

A.5 Informational means

B. Policies, institutions and instruments by policy area

Ind.	Crit.	Policy area	Main ob- jectives	Relevant institutions	Main policy instruments used			Signific. changes
No.					Legal/ regulatory	Financial/ economic	Informa- tional	since last Minis- terial Conference
B.1	C1	Land use and forest area and OWL ²						
B.2	C1	Carbon balance						
B.3	C2	Health and vitality						
B.4	C3	Production and use of wood						
B.5	C3	Production and use of non-wood goods and services, provision of especially recreation						
B.6	C4	Biodiversity						
B.7	C5	Protective forests and OWL						
B.8	C6	Economic viability						
B.9	C6	Employment (incl. safety and health)						
B.10	C6	Public awareness and participation						
B.11	C6	Research, training and education						
B.12	C6	Cultural and spiritual values						