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

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PART I: Policies for Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)

A1. National forest programmes (NFP) or similar and related forest policies

NFP or similar process for forest related dialogue, policy development & implementation

Existence of NFP process or of similar process

Formal NFP process
 Process explicitly guided by the FOREST EUROPE NFP principles
 Similar process
 Other. Please specify:

Name of NFP or similar process Name: National Forest Programme
 Internet Link: <http://erdo.kormany.hu/nemzeti-erdoprogram> Starting year: 2007

Main formal decision making body of the process

Body with members other than Ministry responsible for forestry
 Ministry responsible for forestry
 Similar process
 Other. Please specify:

Yes No

Significant changes related to the NFP process or similar since 2011

If yes, please describe the reason/s for and type of changes [max. 100 words]

Key lessons learned on the NFP process or similar

Please specify [max. 100 words], particularly on the NFP principles related to NFP as iterative process, stakeholder participation and approaches to inter-sectoral coordination and collaboration:

To achieve a multi-sectoral recognition of the NFP proper political commitment is needed, to provide a smooth administrative and financial fitting into the set of national development programmes. Stakeholder involvement and information provision must be kept at adequate level otherwise the process losses on intensity and in consequence necessary support.

Comments on the NFP or similar process

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant:

- The ministry responsible for forestry in consultation with other ministries related to forestry and also involving the stakeholders prepares the annual plan of implementation of the National Forest Program (NFP). Regular reports are summarizing the annual implementation and the main achievements of the NFP.

Main Forest policy document (national forest programme document, forest policy statement, strategy or other)**Existence of forest policy document (other than law)**Yes No **Title of main forest policy document and internet links**Name: National Forest Programme
Internet Link: <http://erdo.kormany.hu/nemzeti-erdoprogram>**Forest policy document development process**

- formal NFP process or process explicitly guided by NFP principles
 process similar to NFP or other process

Name of endorsing/authorizing /enacting institution of the main forest policy document

- Parliament
 Council of Ministers or similar
 Minister responsible for forestry
 Forestry Department or similar
 Other. Please specify:

Date of endorsement / authorization / enactment

2004

Evaluation of policy implementation

- Periodically, pre-specified in the NFP document
 Periodically, but not pre-specified
 Not specified, not planned
 Other

Is there explicit reference to FOREST EUROPE instruments in the forest policy document?

- | | |
|---|---|
| FOREST EUROPE definition of SFM | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| FOREST EUROPE criteria and indicators for SFM | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| FOREST EUROPE guidelines for NFPs | Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> |
| FOREST EUROPE Classification of Protected and Protective Forests and Other Wooded Land | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| FOREST EUROPE Pan-European Operational Level Guidelines for Sustainable Forest Management | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| FOREST EUROPE Pan-European Guidelines for Afforestation and Reforestation | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |

If the responsibility for forest policy is decentralized:

Existence of formally endorsed subnational forest policy document(s)

Yes No **Significant changes related to main forest policy document since 2011**Yes No

If yes, please describe the reason/s for and type of changes [max. 100 words]:

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

Comments on the main forest policy document

While there is no explicit reference in the National Forest Program to Forest Europe instruments, Forest Europe process and some of its resolutions are clearly referred to (e.g. Vienna Resolution 1., MCPFE Expert level meetings on NFPs such as Tulln 1999, Lillehammer 2001, Riga 2002).

Policy objectives by policy area

Policy areas

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B1. Land use and forest area

To increase permanently the forest land area by first afforestation, of which long term goal is to achieve a forest cover of 25-27%. According to this objective, first afforestation ranged btw 3,000-19,000 ha/y in the period of 2006-2015. Introduction of agro-forestry systems on 3000 hectares. Reduce the area of unmanaged forest land.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B2. Carbon balance

To increase the amount of wood products and store more carbon. Produce more wood based renewable energy to substitute energy sourced from fossile fuels.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

Further improve forest condition monitoring. Improve prevention and mitigation against forest damages and intensify restauration of forest ecosystems after damages. Reconstruction of damaged forest area on 9000 hectares in the period.

B3. Health and vitality

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

More focus on the unfavorable effects of climate change that may destabilize the health condition of forests especially on marginal sites for forest ecosystems after damages.

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B4. Production and use of wood

To increase wood products the production and domestic use of quality timber and added value of wood based products. Maintain the domestic production of wood based boards. Reduce the area of unmanaged forest land.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services

Increase attention on non-wood goods and services. Special reference to sustainable game management, including the sound regulation of big game population.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

More emphasis on recreation and social services of state forests.

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B6. Biodiversity

To finalize the designation of NATURA 2000 sites. Increase the area managed by close to nature forest management methods. Introduction of NATURA 2000 payments on 120 000 hectares to improve the management of privately owned NATURA 2000 forests.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B7. Protective forests

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B8. Economic viability

Set general goals to state and private forestry to improve viability.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)

Create more workplaces in the forest based sector.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B10. Public awareness and participation

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

More intensive and effective communication on sustainable forest management. To improve the perception of the society on forests and forestry and enhance nature conscious consumption. Further improve welfare services of forests. Better integration of forestry aspects to all levels of education.

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B11. Research, training and education

Defines priority areas, like ecosystem monitoring, climate change effects on forests, close to nature forest management, improve the knowledge on forest plantations etc. Better integration of human resources management, decision making, marketing and public relations to education.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Are there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:

Yes No

If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

B12. Cultural and spiritual values

Better preservation and presentation of cultural values of and in the forests.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and include reason/s for the changes

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant:

Comments

The national forest program defines strategic goals and policy objectives, but in general does not link these objectives to quantified targets. Quantified targets are often subject of yearly implementation planning. Where possible, examples from the annual implementation plans are referred here (B 1., B 3., B 6.). Since the approval of the national forest program additional strategies with forest related goals and targets were approved by the government, such as e.g. the biodiversity or the renewable energy strategies. They are not part of the NFP, therefore were not included here as reference.

Key measures and lessons learnt per policy area

Policy areas	Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011	Key lessons learnt
B1. Land use and forest area	If yes, please specify [max. 100 words]	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant.
	Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011	
	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
	If yes, please specify	
	Afforestation measures in the rural development program.	

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Continuous increase of the forest area slowed down from 10 000 hectares/ year to 3 000 hectares/year in the last 5 years due to increased demand for food production and also related to more favorable subsidies for agriculture land use while subsidies for afforestation were not so attractive for landowners.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B2. Carbon balance

Afforestation measures in the rural development program. Close to nature forest management that will improve the stability of forest stands that secure or improve the level of carbon sequestration and storing.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Continuously increasing growing stock.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B3. Health and vitality

Recover of forest potential - measures in the rural development program.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Successful measure and will be further improved in the next programming period.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B4. Production and use of wood

Subsidies to buy forest machinery "measures in the rural development program.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Successful measure and will be applied in the next programming period.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services

Subsidies for improving the infrastructure of welfare services " measures in the rural development program. More emphasis on welfare services of state forests, improving social infrastructure in the forest (wachtowers, lodges etc.).In the frame of the "Accessible Hungary" program since 2013 cycling and riding is allowed in the forest guaranteed by the forest act. (Previously only dedicated tracks could be used.)

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Successful measure and will be applied in the next programming period. Better social acceptance of the forestry sector.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B6. Biodiversity

Natura 2000 and forest environment payments in the rural development program. Regional forest management plans contain detailed forest management guidelines for biodiversity conservation areas. Legal obligation to increase the area of continuous forest cover management system.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Successful measures and will be further improved in the next programming period. Area of the continuous forest cover management system has increased by 40 000 hectares in the last 3 years.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B7. Protective forests

Regional forest management plans contain detailed forest management guidelines for protective forests.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B8. Economic viability

Forestry measures (8 measures) of the national rural development program (2007-2013) were successful also in EU comparison and significantly contributed to the viability of the forest sector in rural areas.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Successful measures and will be further improved in the next programming period.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)

The national public work program has been further extended to private forest management (formerly concentrated on state forestry) therefore about 9500 people were employed in 2013 in the forest sector. The employment also includes an education program that enables the employees to improve their education level and successfully apply for jobs as skilled workers.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Continuation of the program.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B10. Public awareness and participation

See B5 and in addition more emphasis and actions annually on regular events like forest day, forest week, day of birds and trees. Special events, like the "Music in the forest" or forestry programs on the "Night of museums" are also organized annually. Monthly edition of the "Our forest" a glossy magazine by the state forestry prepared for the public to get them closer to forests.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Number of visitors in the forest has significantly increased, about 10 million visitor day/year.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B11. Research, training and education

After 3 years of BSC/MSC two step university educational experiment that proved to be not practicable and effective we managed to step back to the 5 years MSC education system in forestry. Diversification in the education of forest workers.

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B12. Cultural and spiritual values

Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

PART II: Overall institutional frameworks and by policy area**A2. Institutional frameworks**

Please specify the type of forest-related institutional arrangements	Part of Ministry	Sub-national ministries or bodies	Other body. Please specify
- forest policy administration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- legislative supervision & enforcement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
- support to private forest management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
- management of public forests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other. Please specify: Legislative supervision and enforcement - Ministry of Agriculture, National Food Chain Safety Office Forestry Directorate, Government Office Forest Directorate (county level). Support to private forest management - Ministry of Agriculture, Prime Minister'

Government bodies

Please specify the level of main responsibility	Central government	Subnational governments	Other. (please specify in comments below)
- administering forest policy development and implementation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- legislative supervision & enforcement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- support to private forest management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- management of public forests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments [max. 100 words]

Resources and capacity of public organizations related to forests

Name or group/type ¹ :	Forest-related staff ² (2013, Full time equivalent)
Total [estimate]	13940
...of which forest administration ³	490
...of which management of public forests	12820
...of which public forest research, education and training institutions	570
... of which others	60

Yes No **Significant changes in the institutional framework, public and private, since 2011**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes [max. 100 words]

After the elections in April 2014 central government was restructured. Ministry of Agriculture (formerly Ministry of Rural Development) remained responsible for forestry that also covers - as a new element of the portfolio of the ministry - the responsibility on the management of state owned forests (earlier supervised by the National Development Bank). Responsibility on rural development measures - including forestry measures - financed from EU sources moved to the Prime Minister's Office (Managing Authority).

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant.

Comments

Figures in the table on capacity of public organizations related to forests: State forest management is dominantly done by state owned business entities in Hungary where employees are no civil servants, but it is included in the figure. Research and education figures include: National Agriculture Research and Innovation Centre Forest Research Institute, the related faculties for forestry and wood industries at University of West Hungary in Sopron and specialised secondary school education of foresters and forest workers in 12 school entities.

Institutional frameworks per policy area

Significant changes in institutional frameworks since 2011

Yes No **B1. Land use and forest area**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

See the description at the previous question.

Yes No **B2. Carbon balance**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B3. Health and vitality**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B4. Production and use of wood**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B6. Biodiversity**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B7. Protective forests**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B8. Economic viability**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B10. Public awareness and participation**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No

B11. Research, training and education

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

The Forest Research Institute was integrated into the National Agriculture Research and Innovation Centre in 2014 incorporating research in agriculture, forestry and fisheries.

B12. Cultural and spiritual valuesYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

PART III: Overall legal/regulatory frameworks and international commitments and by policy area**A3. 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)

Name and reference to legal document

Act no. XXXVII/2009. on Forests, Protection of Forests and Forest Management

Main changes from previous legal act

Date of enactment

10 07 2009

Date of latest amendment

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Are the following FOREST EUROPE instruments explicitly referred to in the [national?] legal/regulatory framework?

FOREST EUROPE Definition of SFM

Yes/fully

No

FOREST EUROPE C&I for SFM

Other Reference to the Forest Europe resolutions

Significant changes in the legal/regulatory framework since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Comments

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.

International commitments

Significant initiatives undertaken since 2011 in implementation of

Yes No

international commitments related to forests signed by your country

If yes, please specify [max. 100 words]
Ratification of the Carpathian Convention.

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

Legal/regulatory frameworks per policy area

Significant changes in institutional frameworks since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B1. Land use and forest area

Regulation on the planning principals of regional forest management planning and on forest management based on the regional forest management plans in 2011. (regulation no. 96/2011. (X. 17.) VM) Similar regulations are issued annually to guide and authorize annual activities of regional forest management planning. Law Nr. CXXII of 2013 on Land for agricultural and forestry production (Land law) changed land ownership and renting rules. In general, physical persons of main occupation in agri or forestry production may own or rent land. Legal persons are prohibited of ownership right with exception of certain defined cases (state, churches).

B2. Carbon balance

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B3. Health and vitality

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Regulation on measures for the prevention of forest fires "rural development measure (regulation no. (41/2014. (IV. 8.) VM)

B4. Production and use of wood

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Regulation on the conditions of subsidies provided for the tending and cleaning of young forest stands "rural development measure (regulation no. (25/2012. (III. 20.) VM)

B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Regulation on the collection of truffles (regulation no. 24/2012. (III. 19.) VM).

B6. Biodiversity

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Regulation on arboretums "list of arboretums (regulation no. 19/2011. (III. 16.) VM) Regulation on NATURA 2000 payments "rural development measure (regulation no. (41/2012. (IV. 27.) VM)

B7. Protective forests

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B8. Economic viability**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B10. Public awareness and participation**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B11. Research, training and education**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Yes No **B12. Cultural and spiritual values**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Regulation on the establishment of forest welfare facilities "rural development measure (regulation no. (66/2013. (VII. 29.) VM)

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant:

Comments

Regional management planning covers nearly all aspects of forest management however relevant regulation has been referred only at B1.

PART IV: Overall financial instruments/economic policy and by policy area**A4. Financial instruments and economic policy****Economic policy**Please specify objectives of main measures taken to address economic aspects of publicly owned forests**Main characteristics of economic policy related to forests**

Wast majority of the state owned forests are managed by 22 independent, state owned stock companies to maintain and improve the condition, productivity, biodiversity, prtective and social benefits of state forests.

Please specify objectives of main measures taken to address economic aspects of privately owned forests or other

To improve the viability of private forestry. Increase the area of privately owned forest and forest area under active management.

Yes No **Significant changes in economic policy related to forests (public and private) since 2011**

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes [max. 100 words]

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant.

Financial instruments

Please specify financial arrangements related to state-owned forests and their management [max. 100 words]

State/federal forest management, act or code)

Profit/financially self-sufficient forest management

Additional financial support from government to forest management

Other. Please specify

Please specify the use of financial instruments for private forests and their management, incl. main objectives [max. 100 words]. *For the EU Member States, please specify apart from the EU Rural Development Programme Funds.*

Grants/subsidies. Please elaborate:

The main component of state subsidies in forestry is the rural development program with 8 forestry measures (afforestation, Natura 2000, forest environment measures, improving the economic value of forests, recovery of forest potential, non-productive investments, agroforestry systems, machinery). Additional, national subsidies are available to reforestations and afforestation started before the first national rural development program as well as to narrow gaged railways operating mainly in forests.

Tax measures. Please elaborate:

Incentives. Please elaborate:

Public funds. Please elaborate:

Other EU co-funded projects.

Investment support. Please elaborate:

Loans. Please elaborate:

Other. Please specify:

Significant changes in financial instruments related to forests since 2011

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Year: 2010	Domestic funding (mil€)	External funding ⁴ (mil€)	Total (mil€)
Operational expenditure	-	-	154.22
Transfer payments (support to private forest management)	-	-	53,59
Total public expenditure	-	-	207.80
Of which...			
	For forest administration		10,92
	For management of public forests		132,19
	For public forest research, education and training institutions		11,11
	For other institutions. Please specify:		-
	Distribution of domestic and external funding is estimated. Expenditure on		

If transfer payments are made for forest management and conservation, indicate for what specific objective(s) - Please tick all that apply.

- Reforestation
- Afforestation
- Forest inventory and/or planning
- Conservation of forest biodiversity
- Protection, of soil and water
- Forest stand improvement
- Establishment or maintenance of protected areas
- Other

Please specify the allocation of total public expenditures among the six criteria

	Estimate of resources %
C1. Forest resources and carbon	23
C2. Health and vitality	5
C3. Productive functions	55
C4. Biodiversity	8
C5. Protective functions	3
C6. Socio-economic functions	6

Note: the total must be 100 %

Comments and lessons learnt

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

Data on allocation of total public expenditures among the six criteria is estimated.

Financial instruments per policy area

Significant changes in financial instruments since 2011

B1. Land use and forest area

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B2. Carbon balance

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B3. Health and vitality

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B4. Production and use of wood

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B6. BiodiversityYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B7. Protective forestsYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B8. Economic viabilityYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B10. Public awareness and participationYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B11. Research, training and educationYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B12. Cultural and spiritual valuesYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

PART V: Overall informational means and by policy area**A5. Informational means**

Is there public access to forest inventory data ?

Yes No

If yes, please specify:

Annual reports on forest inventory and forest statistics (aggregated data) as well as forest maps are available on the homepage of the National Food Chain Safety Office Forestry Directorate. Detailed forest management unit based data is available for the forest managers and owners.

Does a written (governmental) forest-related outreach and communication strategy exist?

Yes No

Main characteristics of informational means

If yes, please provide reference: [max. 100 words]

Does a national report on the status of sustainable forest management exist?

Yes No

If yes, please provide reference/link: [max. 100 words]

The comprehensive annual report (Last report: National Food Chain Safety Office Forestry Directorate, 2014, Forest report 2012, published by the National Food Chain Safety Office Forestry Directorate is based on the Forest Europe SFM indicators is an internal report for forest administration. Summarized information on the main forest indicators is made available for the public, in printed format and also online (www.nebih.gov.hu/szakteruletek/szakteruletek/erdeszeti_igazgatosag/kozerdeku_adatok/adatok) and there is an online forest map with specific data content options available: <http://erdoterkep.nebih.gov.hu/index.htm>

Informational meansYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes [max. 100 words]

Significant changes in informational means / forest related communication since 2011Forest related communication Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes [max. 100 words]

Forest related communication has improved, especially state owned forest companies achieved a significant development by periodic and occasional publications, events, programs, opening accommodation facilities in the forest, developing welfare facilities and through the forest school network.

Comments

Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant.

Financial instruments per policy area**Significant changes in informational instruments since 2011****B1. Land use and forest area**Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B2. Carbon balanceYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B3. Health and vitalityYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

More emphasis on prevention - close to nature management methods, more mixed uneven aged, ecologically more stable and resistant forests. Better explanation of forest damages, their causes, results and natural recovery processes as well as protection measures if needed.

Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B4. Production and use of wood

More information on sustainable forest management and on the advantages of wood products in the media and especially on forest education traks and education centres for the public. Monthly edition of forestry journal to public readers.

B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and servicesYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B6. BiodiversityYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B7. Protective forestsYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B8. Economic viabilityYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)Yes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

Further extendingg the public work programs in the forest sector. Inclusion of private forestry to public work programs that creates more jobs in the sector and better knowledge of the citizens involved on forestry.

B10. Public awareness and participationYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B11. Research, training and educationYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B12. Cultural and spiritual valuesYes No

If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

More cultural events, like "Music in the forest" program or participation on the "Night of museums" event with forest school programmes.

Comments

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant: