



Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

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

A special request is related to any foreseen changes related to policies, institutions and instruments until December 2014. Please select the button to provide such information.

Yes  No

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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: Programme forestier national  
Internet Link: www.pfn.lu" Starting year: 2004

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:

Significant changes related to the NFP process or similar since 2011

Yes  No

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

<b>Key lessons learned on the NFP process or similar</b>	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:  Agreement on a global vision for the development of the national forest sector. Definition of priority measures and financial support from the ministry for the implementation of measures.
<b>Comments on the NFP or similar process</b>	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents when relevant:
<b>Main Forest policy <u>document</u> (national forest programme document, forest policy statement, strategy or other)</b>	
<b>Existence of forest policy document (other than law)</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Title of main forest policy document and internet links</b>	Name: PFN - rapport final Internet Link: <a href="http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/pfn/contributions/PFNpublfin.pdf">http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/pfn/contributions/PFNpublfin.pdf</a>
<b>Forest policy document development process</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> formal NFP process or process explicitly guided by NFP principles <input type="checkbox"/> process similar to NFP or other process
<b>Name of endorsing/authorizing/enacting institution of the main forest policy document</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Parliament <input type="checkbox"/> Council of Ministers or similar <input type="checkbox"/> Minister responsible for forestry <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry Department or similar <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Please specify:  Date of endorsement / authorization / enactment
<b>Evaluation of policy implementation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Periodically, pre-specified in the NFP document <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Periodically, but not pre-specified <input type="checkbox"/> Not specified, not planned <input type="checkbox"/> Other
<b>Is there explicit reference to FOREST EUROPE instruments in the forest policy document?</b>	FOREST EUROPE definition of SFM Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> FOREST EUROPE criteria and indicators for SFM Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> FOREST EUROPE guidelines for NFPs Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> FOREST EUROPE Classification of Protected and Protective Forests and Other Wooded Land Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input 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"/>
<i>If the responsibility for forest policy is decentralized:</i> Existence of formally endorsed subnational forest policy document(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Significant changes related to main forest policy document since 2011</b>	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>  If yes, please describe the reason/s for and type of changes [max. 100 words]:
<b>Comments on the main forest policy document</b>	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant:

## 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

Maintain the global forest area for Luxembourg.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes  No

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

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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

Greenhouse gases reduction of 28% by 2012.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes  No

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

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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:

#### 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

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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

Production cost reduction

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes  No

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

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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

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes  No

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

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

Yes  No **B6. Biodiversity**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

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 **B7. Protective forests**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

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 **B8. Economic viability**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

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 **B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

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 **B10. Public awareness and participation**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Promotion of the forest by activities and regional centers.

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 **B11. Research, training and education**If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

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

**B12. Cultural and spiritual values**

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

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes  No

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

**Comments** Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant:

**Key measures and lessons learnt per policy area**

Policy areas	Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011	Key lessons learnt
	If yes, please specify [max. 100 words]	Please explain [max. 100 words] and provide reference documents where relevant.

**B1. Land use and forest area**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No

**If yes, please specify**

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

**B2. Carbon balance**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No

Climate packet with the communes to improve the progress: [http://www.developpement-durable-infrastructures.public.lu/fr/developpement-durable-infrastructures/partenariat/Paquet\\_Climat\\_integral.pdf#page=111](http://www.developpement-durable-infrastructures.public.lu/fr/developpement-durable-infrastructures/partenariat/Paquet_Climat_integral.pdf#page=111)

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

**B3. Health and vitality**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No

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

**B4. Production and use of wood**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No

Government wood procurement policy and implementation of the FLEGT regulations. <http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/1Flegt/index.html>

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

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

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No

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

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**B6. Biodiversity**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No 

New public forest management rules containing measures concerning old growth stands.

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

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**B7. Protective forests**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No **Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.**

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**B8. Economic viability**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No **Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.**

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**B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No **Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.**

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**B10. Public awareness and participation**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No **Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.**

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**B11. Research, training and education**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No **Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.**

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**B12. Cultural and spiritual values**

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes  No Publication about cultural heritage present in the forest :  
[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Patrimoine\\_HC/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Patrimoine_HC/index.html)**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 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"/>
Other. Please specify:			

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]			

Name or group/type <sup>1</sup> :	Forest-related staff <sup>2</sup> (2013, Full time equivalent)
Total [estimate]	216
...of which forest administration <sup>3</sup>	10
...of which management of public forests	201
...of which public forest research, education and training institutions	5
... of which others	

**Significant changes in the institutional framework, public and private, since 2011**

Yes  No

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.

## Institutional frameworks per policy area

## Significant changes in institutional frameworks since 2011

**B1. Land use and forest area**

Yes  No

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

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**B2. Carbon balance**

Yes  No

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

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**B3. Health and vitality**

Yes  No

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

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**B4. Production and use of wood**

Yes  No

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

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

Yes  No

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

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**B6. Biodiversity**

Yes  No

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

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**B7. Protective forests**

Yes  No

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

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**B8. Economic viability**

Yes  No

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

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**B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

Yes  No

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

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**B10. Public awareness and participation**

Yes  No

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

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**B11. Research, training and education**

Yes  No

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



**B12. Cultural and spiritual values** Yes  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  at central government level  
 in legislation enacted by parliament  at federal level  
 in administrative decrees / regulations only  other

Other:

Name and reference to legal document

Loi du 8 octobre 1920 concernant l'aménagement des bois administrés. Loi du 30 janvier 1951 ayant pour objet la protection des 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. Loi du 21 juillet 2012 concernant certaines modalités d'application et la sanction du règlement (UE) n° 995/2010. Loi du 21 juillet 2012 concernant certaines modalités d'application et la sanction du règlement (CE) n° 2173/2005. Loi du 8 avril 2014 modifiant l'ordonnance royale grand-ducale modifiée du 1er juin 1840.

**Main forest and SFM related legal/regulatory act with national scope (e.g. Forest law, act or code)**

Main changes from previous legal act

Implementation of the Flegt regulations. Softening of the planning obligations for small properties.

Date of enactment

21.7.2014 8.4.2014

Date of latest amendment

8.4.2014

		Yes/fully	No
<b>Are the following FOREST EUROPE instruments explicitly referred to in the [national?] legal/regulatory framework?</b>	FOREST EUROPE Definition of SFM	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	FOREST EUROPE C&I for SFM	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**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.

The law is mentioning SFM, and the definitions figure in the "PFN - rapport final".

#### International commitments

**Significant initiatives undertaken since 2011 in implementation of international commitments** Yes  No   
If yes, please specify [max. 100 words]

related to forests signed by your country

The Government has adopted a wood procurement policy by the government.

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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**

**B1. Land use and forest area**

Yes  No

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

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**B2. Carbon balance**

Yes  No

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

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**B3. Health and vitality**

Yes  No

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

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**B4. Production and use of wood**

Yes  No

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

FLEGT : Loi du 21 juillet 2012 concernant certaines modalités d'application et la sanction du r glement (UE) n  995/2010. Loi du 21 juillet 2012 concernant certaines modalités d'application et la sanction du r glement (CE) n  2173/2005. Government wood procurement policy.

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

Yes  No

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

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**B6. Biodiversity**

Yes  No

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

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**B7. Protective forests**

Yes  No

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

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**B8. Economic viability**

Yes  No

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

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**B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

Yes  No

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Comments**

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant:

**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**

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)

Please specify objectives of main measures taken to address economic aspects of privately owned forests or other**Significant changes in economic policy related to forests (public and private) since 2011**Yes  No 

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****State/federal forest management, act or code)**

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

- 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:

Subsidies for planning studies.

**Government financial instruments:  
private forest management** Tax measures. Please elaborate:

Act fees are refunded.

 Incentives. Please elaborate: Public funds. Please elaborate: 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

The rural development plan has not yet been enacted.

Year:	Domestic funding (mil€)	External funding <sup>4</sup> (mil€)	Total (mil€)
Operational expenditure			NA
Transfer payments (support to private forest management)			NA
Total public expenditure			NA
Of which...	For forest administration		NA
	For management of public forests		NA
	For public forest research, education and training institutions		NA
	For other institutions. Please specify:		NA
	NA		

**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**

- C1. Forest resources and carbon
- C2. Health and vitality
- C3. Productive functions
- C4. Biodiversity
- C5. Protective functions
- C6. Socio-economic functions

**Note: the total must be 100 %****Estimate of resources %**

**Comments and lessons learnt**

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

**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

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**B2. Carbon balance**

Yes  No

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

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**B3. Health and vitality**

Yes  No

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

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**B4. Production and use of wood**

Yes  No

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

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

Yes  No

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

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**B6. Biodiversity**

Yes  No

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

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**B7. Protective forests**

Yes  No

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

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**B8. Economic viability**

Yes  No

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

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**B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)**

Yes  No

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

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**B10. Public awareness and**

Yes  No

participation

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

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

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

**B12. Cultural and spiritual values**Yes  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:

[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/IFL2\\_fr/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/IFL2_fr/index.html)**Main characteristics of informational means**

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

Yes  No 

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

[www.pfn.lu](http://www.pfn.lu)

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

Yes  No 

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

[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/pfn/revision\\_fc/1\\_docs\\_synth/Rapport\\_Etat\\_Lieux\\_Foret\\_2014\\_V1\\_0\\_sec.pdf](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/pfn/revision_fc/1_docs_synth/Rapport_Etat_Lieux_Foret_2014_V1_0_sec.pdf)**Informational means**Yes  No **Significant changes in informational means / forest related communication since 2011**

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

**Forest related communication** Yes  No 

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

Information campaign during the international forest year 2011.

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

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### Financial instruments per policy area

#### Significant changes in informational instruments since 2011

Yes  No

#### B1. Land use and forest area

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

National forest inventory 2010:  
[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/IFL2\\_fr/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/IFL2_fr/index.html)

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Yes  No

#### B2. Carbon balance

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

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Yes  No

#### B3. Health and vitality

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

[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/Etat\\_phytosanitaire\\_20131/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/Etat_phytosanitaire_20131/index.html)

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Yes  No

#### B4. Production and use of wood

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

<http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/dossiers/1Flegt/index.html>

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Yes  No

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

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

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Yes  No

#### B6. Biodiversity

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

Protection of animal species :  
[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Handlungsempf\\_Forst/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Handlungsempf_Forst/index.html)

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Yes  No

#### B7. Protective forests

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

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Yes  No

#### B8. Economic viability

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

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Yes  No

#### B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)

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

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

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

Cost-free herbarium for pedagogical and educational means :  
<http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Herbarium/index.html>**B11. Research, training and education**Yes  No 

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

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

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

[http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Patrimoine\\_HC/index.html](http://www.environnement.public.lu/forets/publications/Patrimoine_HC/index.html)**Comments**

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant: