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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 Starting year: 2006
 Internet Link: "

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:

NFP process experiences are used in implementation of forest policy for successful and efficient balancing of decisions concerning environmental, economic and social forest functions.

Comments on the NFP or similar process

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

Regulation changes and other activities like forest management planning are coordinated through the participation of interested governmental and nongovernmental stakeholders in manner of continuous process of SFM.

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: Resolution on National Forest Programme

Internet Link:

http://www.mko.gov.si/fileadmin/mko.gov.si/pageuploads/podrocja/Gozdarstvo/NFP_RS.pdf

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

20.11.2007

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 No

FOREST EUROPE criteria and indicators for SFM

Yes No

FOREST EUROPE guidelines for NFPs

Yes No

FOREST EUROPE Classification of Protected and Protective Forests and Other Wooded Land

Yes No

FOREST EUROPE Pan-European Operational Level Guidelines for Sustainable Forest Management

Yes No

FOREST EUROPE Pan-European Guidelines for Afforestation and Reforestation

Yes No

If the responsibility for forest policy is decentralized:

Existence of formally endorsed subnational forest policy document(s)

Yes No Yes No

Significant changes related to main forest policy

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

document since 2011

NFP principles are included in the Action plan (AP) to increase competitiveness of forest-wood chain in Slovenia by the year 2020 "Les je lep" ("Wood is beautiful").

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

Comments on the main forest policy document

AP which was adopted by the Government of RS in June 2012, on the operational level implements NFP strategies and goals and stands out important measures with long-term effects. This AP plan reclassifies the Slovenian wood processing industry as a strategically important and perspective branch of economy with sufficient amount of national raw material produced according to SFM principles.

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

Forest cover in Slovenia has reached 60 percent of the land area and should in general not increase further. Large complexes of forests should not be fragmented. In erosion sensitive areas forest cover should increase, in some other landscapes, where forests do not play so important environmental functions, they could be partly cleared for agriculture and other uses, if so decided in land use plans.

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

The objective is to sequester at least 1.3 MT of CO₂ annually, which is a quantity of a cap determined under the Kyoto protocol for Slovenia. The accumulation of annual increment should continue until the optimal standing volume is reached from economic, environmental and social point of view. Forest area remains more or less stable.

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:

B3. Health and vitality

Objectives and guidelines concerning health and vitality of forests are specifically elaborated in the NFP of 2007 (chapter 6.3.4). Basic orientation is to maintain natural regeneration capacity and resilience of forests, but also to restore forests damaged by natural disturbances as quickly as possible.

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

B4. Production and use of wood

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

The NFP of 2007 clearly stipulates that allowable cut on the national level should attain 75 percent of the increment and that actual harvest rate should approach this figure as much as possible.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

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

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:

Specific objectives and guidelines for forest related hunting, bee-keeping, berry and mushroom picking, tourism and recreation and grazing in the forest are determined in NFP.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

B6. Biodiversity

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:

NFP of 2007 explicitly provides guidelines for conservation of biological diversity on ecosystem, species and gene levels as well as on the landscape level and in the context of preserving natural heritage. Natura 2000 Site Management Programme 2007-2013 stipulates that favourable conservation status of forest habitats and forest related species shall be maintained and enhanced through forest management plans.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

Requirements for management of forests in Natura 2000 sites did not require such a change because of general and traditional orientation to close-to-nature forest management.

B7. Protective 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:

Objectives and corresponding guidelines for protective services of forests are specified in the NFP 2007 for protection of soils against erosion, protection of buildings and infrastructure, favourable status of water, favourable impact of forests on local climate and provision of healthy water sources.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

B8. Economic viability

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:

In the NFP particular objectives and guidelines are set to improve economic viability of public and private forests. For the latter, which are dominant in Slovenia, the goals are to improve organisation of forest owners and to increase their capacity for active management and marketing of their products. The goal is also to increase the added value of wood and to increase the use of wood especially for construction purposes.

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:

Concerning employment related to forests, the objective set in the NFP 2007 is to provide employment and income to people living in rural areas through work in forests and other activities related to wood and forest.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)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:

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

The objectives of the NFP 2007 are to increase awareness of forest owners and the public of forests and their functions and actively involve them in the forest management planning process.

Yes No

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

B10. Public awareness and participationAre there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:Yes No If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

The NFP 2007 sets objectives for education of forestry personnel, education and training of forest owners and research and development activities.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

B11. Research, training and educationAre there any specifically stated policy objectives in relation to each policy area:Yes No If yes, please specify and provide quantified targets, if any:

The objective of NFP 2007 is to create arranged environment to cultural heritage sites, for the sake of heritage and as contribution to the development of tourism.

Are there any significant changes in main policy objectives since 2011

Yes No

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

B12. Cultural and spiritual values**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
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	
	Land use and forest In 2012 Regional forest management plans (2011-2020) were adopted (for all Slovenian forests) through this plans new detailed criteria for forest clearing for agricultural purposes were also prepared. Expert judgment for each clearing is done by Slovenian public forest service.	
	Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.	
B2. Carbon balance	Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011	
	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
	The planned allowable cut, set out in Regional forest management plan from 2012, is absolutely in line with the NFP objective "provide carbon sink in forests. The harvest in the period 2011-2020 will be increasing gradually but it will achieve the planned amount (allowable cut) which is defined as a 75% of increment.	
	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 <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
	Monitoring of forest health and vitality remains major task of Slovenian public forest service. For the forest protection measures is provided approximately 900.000 EUR per year (from the state budget).	
	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 <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
	Measures for improving competitiveness of forestry on the basis of the EU Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 have been successfully applied, particularly for investments in forestry technologies and equipment and forest infrastructure.	
	Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.	
	Actual harvesting rate is less than 4 million m3 and increment is 8 million m3. The objective is thus to increase harvesting of wood by 50 %, but still accumulate increment by 2 million m3 annually. The RDP measures are placed in the RDP plan 2014-2020.	
B5. Production and use of non-wood goods and services	Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011	
	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
	Key lessons learnt. Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant.	

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

All Slovenian forests are managed in a sustainable and close-to-nature manner in order to preserve natural structure of plants and animal species. In forest planning and management, particular attention is paid to

B6. Biodiversity

autochthonous biodiversity. The conservation measures are produced in the form of guidelines by the competent Nature Conservation Institute for every forest management plan. The guidelines usually do not require essential changes in management goals and practices.

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

The main achievement was integration of Natura 2000 and other forest biodiversity requirements into forest management practice.

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B7. Protective forests

In 2013 amending of Regulation on protective forests and forests with a special purpose were adopted.

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

AP which was adopted by the Government of RS in June 2012, on the operational level implements NFP strategies and goals and stands out important measures with long-term effects. This AP plan reclassifies the Slovenian wood processing industry as a strategically important and perspective branch of economy with sufficient amount of national raw material produced according SFM principles.

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

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B9. Employment (incl. safety and health)

In measure 111 of the RDP 2007-2013 the forest skills education courses are included.

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

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B10. Public awareness and participation

The measures are based in activities and communicational means of Slovenia Forest Service (SFS) public hearings in the adoption process of forest management and hunting plans, expert papers and educational contributions in various media, workshops, excursions, exhibitions, guiding on forest educational trails, activities at the forest week including known politicians and work with school youth.

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

Key measures taken on implementing the policy since 2011

Yes No

B11. Research, training and education

In 2011 and 2014 Ministry for Agriculture and environment (responsible also for forestry) launched co-called Target research programmes, Target research programmes represent a system created in 2001 for inter-sectorial cooperation in planning and implementing networked R&D projects for specific areas of public interest. They represent a special form of scientific and research programme with which the ministry responsible for a same specific area with Ministry for Higher Education, Science and Technology intend to contribute to setting and implementing strategic development objectives for Slovenia in cooperation with other ministries and other

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

Objects of cultural and spiritual values in the forest are mapped in the forest management plans, which provide also for adequate guidelines coordinated between the responsible institutions.

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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
- management of public forests	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other. Please specify: Slovenia Forest Service part of the public sector, Chamber of Agriculture and Forestry of Slovenia (CAFS), Farmland and Forest Fund of the Republic of Slovenia

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]

General forest policy is prepared by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food and co-ordinated with other sectors, especially with environment and finance. Legislative supervision and enforcement is conducted by the Forestry Inspectorate acting under the ministry. General support to forest management is provided for all forests, regardless of ownership, by Slovenian Forest Service (SFS), a separate legal entity established by the Government. The core activity of the SFS is preparation of forest management plans, where both the guidelines of the NFP are respected and requests and interests of forest owners and other interest groups.

Resources and capacity of public organizations related to forests

Name or group/type ¹ :	Forest-related staff ² (2013, Full time equivalent)
Total [estimate]	891
...of which forest administration ³	777
...of which management of public forests	14+12

...of which public forest research,
education and training institutions 100

... 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]

Staff of Farmland and Forest Fund of the Republic of Slovenia was enlarged for 12 employees to improve economic efficiency of public forest management.

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

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. Biodiversity

Yes No

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

B7. Protective forests

Yes No

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

B8. Economic viability

Yes 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 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

Act on Forest

Main changes from previous legal act

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

According to this act, forests are managed by forest owners and not by forest enterprises as was the case in socialist period.

Date of enactment

10.6.1993

Date of latest amendment

7.3.2014

Yes/fully No

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

FOREST EUROPE Definition of SFM

FOREST EUROPE C&I for SFM

Other **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 international commitments related to forests signed by your country**Yes No

If yes, please specify [max. 100 words]

For the implementation of the "Council Regulation (EC) No 2173/2005 on the establishment of a FLEGT licensing scheme for imports of timber into the European Community" Slovenia adopted the "Regulation on the implementation of Regulations (ES) on the establishment of a FLEGT licensing scheme for imports of timber the European Community" (Official Journal of RS 77/2012). For the implementation "Council Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market" Slovenia was supplemented the Forest Act (Official Journal of the RS 17/14).

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

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

B4. Production and use of woodYes No

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

The EU 995/2010 Timber Regulation was implemented through the Act on Forest changes in 2013.

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

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

B6. Biodiversity

Yes No

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

B7. Protective forests

Yes No

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

B8. Economic viability

Yes 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 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

The main objective is to ensure sustainable management of all forests including publicly owned forests in terms of complexity of all forest functions.

Main characteristics of economic policy related to forests

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

The main objective is to ensure sustainable management of all forests in terms of complexity of all forest functions. To achieve this objective the State finances the public forest service as a general

support to forest management, preventive forest protection measures against forest fires, insects and diseases as well as planned measures in protection forests. The State co-finances forest environmental measures as laid down in EU rural development regulation, silviculture and protection measures in private forests, restoration measures required after natural disasters, construction and maintenance of forest roads, and forestry research.

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

Government financial instruments: private forest management

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:
 Tax measures. Please elaborate:
 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

Year: 2013	Domestic funding (mil€)	External funding ⁴ (mil€)	Total (mil€)
Operational expenditure	19,2	0	19,2
Transfer payments (support to private forest management)	2,5	0	2,5

Total public expenditure	21,7	0	21,7
	For forest administration		19,2
Of which...	For management of public forests		0
	For public forest research, education and training institutions		0,4
	For other institutions. Please specify:		0

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

		Estimate of resources %
Please specify the allocation of total public expenditures among the six criteria	C1. Forest resources and carbon	20
	C2. Health and vitality	30
	C3. Productive functions	10
	C4. Biodiversity	20
	C5. Protective functions	10
	C6. Socio-economic functions	10
	Note: the total must be 100 %	

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

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. Biodiversity Yes No
If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B7. Protective forests Yes No
If yes, please describe and incl. reason/s for the changes

B8. Economic viability Yes 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 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 [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:

Inventory data are public accessible in Annual report of Slovenia Forest Service on Forests, Annual "Green Report" of Ministry of Agriculture and Environment and Annual report of Slovenian Forestry Institut.

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]

Communication strategy is part of the NFP, particularly sections 11, 12 and 13.

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

Yes No

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

National report of SFM is part of Annual report of Slovenia Forest Service on Forests, Annual "Green Report" of Ministry of Agriculture and Environment and Annual report of Slovenian Forestry Institut.

Significant changes in informational means / forest related communication since 2011

Informational means

Yes No

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

Changes/improvements in informational means like courses for forest owners, public trials of forest plans etc. are particularly directed towards strengthening participation of stakeholders in forest management planning process and improvement of forestry professional skills, especially among forest owners because of numerous accidents at work in forests.

Forest related communication Yes No

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

Changes/improvements in forest related communication are particularly directed towards participation of all stakeholders in forest management planning process and improvement of forestry professional skills, especially among private forest owners because of numerous accidents at work in forests.

Comments

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

The improvement of the coordination of multifunctional forest management is followed especially through encouraging participation of all stakeholders who represent particular forest functions in public and private sense.

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 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. Biodiversity

Yes No

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

B7. Protective forests

Yes No

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

B8. Economic viability

Yes 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

Intensification of the activities for improvement of forestry professional skills, especially among private forest owners. because the rate of the accidents at work in forests is still too high.

B10. Public awareness and participation

Yes No

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

Changes and intensification in forest related communication directed towards border public and to all stakeholders for their participation in forest management planning process. The public awareness and the participation in forest management planning proces is not satisfactory.

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

Please explain and provide reference documents where relevant:

Comments