



**FOREST EUROPE EXPERT LEVEL MEETING**

**11-12 May 2016, Bratislava, Slovakia**

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**Draft Agenda**

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- 1. Opening of the meeting**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. FOREST EUROPE Madrid Ministerial Conferences 2015 – achievements, exchange of experience, feedback - summary**
- 4. Implementation of the commitments of the Madrid Conferences**
  - Discussion and adoption of the Forest Europe Work Programme on the Follow-up of the Madrid FOREST EUROPE Ministerial Conferences
- 5. Information and discussion on the possible future steps in the Review of the FOREST EUROPE process with the mandate from the Madrid Ministerial Decision: “The future direction of FOREST EUROPE” including adoption of a Roadmap and Terms of Reference for the Working group on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE.**
- 6. Exchange of information on up-coming international meetings**
- 7. Other matters**
- 8. Closure of the meeting**

**Documents:**

*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme*  
*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme/Supporting doc1*  
*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme/Supporting doc2*  
*ELM/2016/2/Draft ToR WG*  
*ELM/2016/3/Draft Roadmap*

**Meeting hours:** Wednesday, 11 May 2016, 10.00 – 13.00 and 15.00 – 18.00  
Thursday, 12 May 2016, 09.00 – 12.00 and 13.00 – 16.00

**Venue:** Hotel Saffron Bratislava, Conference Hall LUX, Slovakia.

**Reception:** Wednesday, 11 May 2016, at 19.00, Hotel Saffron

**City centre guided tour:** Thursday, 12 May 2016, 17.00

## ANNOTATIONS

1. **Opening the meeting**
2. **Adoption of the agenda**
3. **FOREST EUROPE Madrid Ministerial Conferences 2015 – achievements, exchange of experience, feedback – summary**

*The ELM may wish to be provided with the achievements and outcomes of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference and Extraordinary Ministerial Conference held on 20-21 October 2015 in Madrid and is invited to exchange experience and views of these Conferences.*

#### 4. **Implementation of the commitments of the Madrid Conferences**

Following the commitments of the Madrid Ministerial Conferences a draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme has been developed under the guidance of the General Coordinating Committee. The draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme is elaborated as a document of options for further considerations, open to signatories' and observers' views and ideas. Signatories and observers are kindly invited to present their priorities among the activities listed in the draft Work Programme and corresponding interest to support their implementation. In this respect, signatories and observers have been encouraged to express their positions towards proposed actions through web-based questionnaire <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Wrp4R6bvIN1zjiNYnaVpRH9HoYxziB83qCXAQZQ6DGw/viewform>. Results of this survey will be presented to the ELM as a base for further discussion.

*The ELM is invited to further discuss and decide on the proposed actions and its leading actors and adopt the draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme.*

#### **Documentation:**

*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme*

*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme/Supporting doc1*

*ELM/2016/1/Draft FOREST EUROPE Work Programme/Supporting doc2*

#### 5. **Information and discussion on the possible future steps in the Review of the FOREST EUROPE process with the mandate from the Madrid Ministerial Decision: “The future direction of FOREST EUROPE” including adoption of a Roadmap and Terms of Reference for the Working group on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE**

At the Madrid Ministerial Conference ministers responsible for forests decided in the Madrid Ministerial Decision: “The Future direction of FOREST EUROPE” to re-examine the FOREST EUROPE structure, procedures and work modalities to make the process more effective and inclusive.

Brief introductory information will be presented to the ELM referring to previous reviews: “Review of the MCPFE” (2009)<sup>1</sup>, and “Assessment of the achievements and added value of the Forest Europe Process” (2015)<sup>2</sup>.

Based on the draft documents presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Drafting meeting for the preparation of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference held in Madrid on 1-3 June 2015 and the outcomes of the Madrid Ministerial Conference, the ELM will discuss details of the revision set out in the Draft Roadmap for the deliberations on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE and the Draft Terms of Reference of the Working Group on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE.

*The ELM is invited to decide on the establishment of the Working Group on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE and discuss and adopt updated Roadmap and Terms of Reference for the Working Group on the future direction of FOREST EUROPE.*

**Documentation:**

*ELM/2016/2/Draft ToR WG*

*ELM/2016/3/Draft Roadmap*

## **6. Exchange of information on up-coming international meetings**

A list of key upcoming international events is provided at the FOREST EUROPE webpage <http://www.foresteurope.org/OtherEvents>.

*The ELM may wish to exchange information on up-coming international events.*

## **7. Other matters**

*The ELM may wish to exchange information and views on the other matters.*

## **8. Closure of the meeting**

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.foresteurope.org/expert-level-meetings/2009>

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.foresteurope.org/sites/default/files/Assessment-of-the-achievements\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.foresteurope.org/sites/default/files/Assessment-of-the-achievements_FINAL.pdf)