

List of UNECE/FAO Teams of Specialists,
Team Leaders and Members and Mandates

Teams of Specialists and their respective Team Leaders and Deputy Leaders

1. FOREST PRODUCTS MARKETS AND MARKETING	
Team Leaders	Leader: Richard Vlosky (US); Deputy Leaders: Eduard Akim (Russia) and Mr. Michael Buckley (US/UK)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Ed Pepke
2. MONITORING FOREST RESOURCES FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT IN THE UNECE REGION	
Team Leaders	The ToS Leader and his/her Deputy will be elected during the first (inaugural) meeting of the team in 2005 (April)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Alex Korotkov
3. GENDER AND FORESTRY	
Team Leaders	Gun Lidestav (Sweden); Deputy team leader: Albertina Skaidrite (Latvia)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Anna Springfors (FOPE), FAO
4. BEST PRACTICES IN FOREST CONTRACTING	
Team Leaders	Edgar Kastenholz (Germany)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Joachim Lorbach, (FOPP), FAO
5. SUPPORT AND CONTRIBUTION TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOREST SECTOR IN THE CIS AND SOUTH EAST EUROPE	
Team Leaders	Nominations will be invited from Governments and other stakeholders. The team should be balanced between stakeholders and regions.
Responsible Secretariat Member	Volker Sasse
6. FOREST FIRE	
Team Leaders	J.G. Goldammer (Germany)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Jorge Najera
7. FOREST COMMUNICATORS NETWORK	
Team Leaders	Ingwald Gschwandtl (Austria) and Deputy Leaders: Bob Burt (Canada), Juhani Karvonen (Finland) and Tomass Kotovics (Latvia)
Responsible Secretariat Member	Kit Prins

**UNECE/FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
FOREST PRODUCTS MARKETS AND MARKETING**
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 1
Programme elements 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4

A. OBJECTIVES

To contribute to the sustainable development of forest products markets in the UNECE region.

1. Provide a forum for discussion of forest products marketing in the UNECE region. In particular, contribute to the TC's annual market discussions and thereby advise the TC and EFC on forest products market developments.
2. Advise on implementation of Work Area 1, focusing on its products and publications and undertaking studies as appropriate.
3. Provide assistance in marketing in the UNECE region, especially to central and eastern European countries, through information collection, analysis and dissemination, including workshops.

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

1. Contribution to Timber Committee market discussions and workshop(s) on extent and cause of illegal logging and trade
2. Survey, and advise on market-related publications and products.
3. Study on possible effects on forest products markets of measures to ensure forest law enforcement and governance

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	Joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004
DURATION	From 2005 to 2008
METHODS OF WORK	Subgroups with their leaders tackle the specific projects
REPORTING	To the Joint FAO/UNECE Working Party on Forest Economics and Statistics and annual Bureaux meetings
TEAM LEADERS	Leader: Dr. Richard Vlosky (United States of America); Deputy Leaders: Dr. Eduard Akim (Russia) and Mr. Michael Buckley (United States of America/United Kingdom)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Ed Pepke

**UNECE/FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
MONITORING FOREST RESOURCES FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT IN THE
UNECE REGION
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 2
Programme elements 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3**

A. OBJECTIVES

- To advise the UNECE/FAO and FAO secretariats on the implementation of activities in Work Area 2 “Forest Resources Assessment and Indicators of Sustainable Forest Management in the Region”;
- To contribute to the coordination of reporting on C&I for SFM by MCPFE and Montreal process countries;
- To support the regional contribution to the global FRA
- To support development of national systems of forest monitoring
- To contribute to the institutional cooperation on monitoring of forests (EU, MCPFE, ENFIN, et al).

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUT:

Outline (Enquiry) for Country Reporting on the pan-European Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	Joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004
DURATION	From 2005 to 2008
METHODS OF WORK	Annual meetings of the Team of Specialists. Communication among ToS members between the annual meetings, communication with country focal points.
REPORTING	To the Joint FAO/UNECE Working Party on Forest Economics and Statistics and annual Bureaux meetings
TEAM LEADER	The ToS Leader and his/her Deputy will be elected during the first (inaugural) meeting of the team in 2005 (April)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Alexander V. Korotkov

**UNECE / FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
GENDER AND FORESTRY
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 4
Programme element 4.1**

A. OBJECTIVES	
Raise awareness of gender structures in forestry and use this information to promote good and equal opportunities for men and women in the sector.	
EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS: 1. Gender equality guidelines 2. Final report on gender and forestry, possibly submitted to the fifth MCPFE	
B. BACKGROUND	
ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	The joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004 endorsed the proposal of the Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee on Forest Technology, Management and Training's Steering Committee (16 th session, October 2003 in Slovakia, Ref. Doc: TIM/EFC/WP.1/2003/2)
DURATION	From May 2004 and lasting 24 months to May 2006
METHODS OF WORK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch case studies into specific aspects of gender and forestry, including family-owned forests • Review relevant data • Disseminate information about national experiences, in particular success measures and good practices • Develop criteria and indicators to reflect gender aspects in sustainable forest management • Organise follow-up meeting to the seminar in Portugal focusing on gender in forestry. It should be used as an opportunity to monitor change in gender balance and equal opportunities • Promote national networks of women in forestry.
REPORTING	Intermediate reporting to UNECE/FAO; to Bureaux; and to both the UNECE Timber Committee and the FAO European Forestry Commission when work is completed.
TEAM LEADER	Team leader: Gun Lidestav (Sweden); deputy team leader: Albertina Skaidrite (Latvia)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Anna Springfors, (FOPE), FAO

**UNECE / FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
BEST PRACTICES IN FOREST CONTRACTING
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 4
Programme element 4.3**

A. OBJECTIVES

To develop guidelines on “Good Practices in Contract Labour in Forestry

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

1. Revision of the contents of the manual “Good Practice in Contract Labour in Forestry”;
2. Description of additional cases of Best Practice;
3. Guidelines for good practices in contract labour in forestry;
4. Workshop on “Good Practice in Contract Labour in Forestry”.

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	The joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004 endorsed the proposal of the Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee on Forest Technology, Management and Training’s Steering Committee (16 th session, October 2003 in Slovakia, Ref. Doc: TIM/EFC/WP.1/2003/2)
DURATION	From May 2004 and lasting 18 months to December 2005
METHODS OF WORK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise the contents of the manual” Good Practices for Forest Service Providers”; • Identify and describe additional case studies of Best Practice to be included in the manual; • Develop guidelines based on the manual; • Develop training material for the implementation of the guidelines; • Organize a seminar on good practices in contract work in forestry.
REPORTING	Intermediate reporting to UNECE/FAO; to Bureaux; and to both the UNECE Timber Committee and the FAO European Forestry Commission when work is completed.
TEAM LEADER	Mr. Edgar Kastenzholz (Germany)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Joachim Lorbach, (FOPP), FAO

**UNECE / FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
SUPPORT AND CONTRIBUTION TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOREST SECTOR IN
THE CIS AND SOUTH EAST EUROPE
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 5 (5.3); and Work Area 1 (1.3)**

A. OBJECTIVES

Enhance effectiveness of international activities intended to support and contribute to sustainable development of the forest sector in CIS and south east Europe, notably through:

- Development of a viable and efficient private sector, specifically addressing the needs of forest owners and small scale forest industry enterprises
- Enhancing the capacity of public sector institutions especially to provide an effective policy and institutional framework;
- Strengthening integration of forestry with other sectors taking into account the cross-sectoral issues;
- Improving the sharing and exchange of data, information and knowledge; and
- Identifying emerging issues and facilitating dialogue and discussion.

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

The team will identify priority issues in CEEC and CIS and promote a transparent regional discussion of priorities and best practice in reforming policies and institutions in the sector. It will be consulted on the formulation of a strategy for FAO activities for the forest sector of countries in this region. It will advise the UNECE/FAO Secretariat, on the implementation of their programmes within the framework of the integrated programme of work. It will

- Assist in the formulation of appropriate activities;
- Provide feed back on the effectiveness of the various initiatives;
- Assist in resource mobilisation in support of the various activities;
- Contribute to the sharing of knowledge and information.

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	Joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, October 2004
DURATION	From 2005 to 2008
METHODS OF WORK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings and recommendations to the secretariats, • Intensive communication among the members <p>Modalities of work (schedule of meetings, communications, possible subgroups or special projects) will be determined by the team at its first meeting. Partnerships will be established with relevant governmental and non-governmental organisations, notably MCPFE.</p>
REPORTING	Once a year: to the Joint Bureaux Meeting of UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission
TEAM LEADER	To be chosen at inaugural meeting.
TEAM MEMBERS	Nominations will be invited from Governments and other stakeholders. The team should be balanced between stakeholders and regions.
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Volker Sasse, (SEUR, Budapest), FAO

**UNECE / FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
FOREST FIRE
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 5
Programme element 5.5**

A. OBJECTIVES

- To promote scientific methods in forest fire management and forest fire policy;
- To provide guidance to member states on forest fire management and forest fire policies;
- To organise and prepare seminars, workshops and educational programmes; and promote a continuous exchange of information and experience among country forest fire specialists from the policy, managerial and research spheres.

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

1. Follow up the recommendations of the International Wildland Fire Summit, particularly in the consolidation of the Global and Regional Wildland Fire Networks
2. Bi-annual publication of *International Forest Fire News* (IFFN)

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	The joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004 endorsed the proposal of the Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee on Forest Technology, Management and Training's Steering Committee (16 th session, October 2003 in Slovakia, Ref. Doc: TIM/EFC/WP.1/2003/2)
DURATION	From 2005 to 2008
METHODS OF WORK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooperation and coordination of activities with other international organizations dealing with forest fire questions in the region (FAO, Silva Mediterranea, UN-ISDR, IUFRO, the European Union and others) • Cooperation with the UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN ISDR), Wildland Fire Advisory Group and the Global Wildland Fire Network • Criteria for harmonization and reporting of forest fire statistics
REPORTING	To annual Bureaux meetings and to both the UNECE Timber Committee and the FAO European Forestry Commission when work is completed
TEAM LEADER	Mr. J.G. Goldammer (Germany)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Jorge Najera

**UNECE / FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS
FOREST COMMUNICATORS NETWORK
Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 5
Programme element 5.6**

A. OBJECTIVES

To improve the ability of the forest and forest products sector to communicate effectively, within and outside the sector, and to raise the awareness of sector policy makers of the potential of modern effective communication tools.

EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

- Guide on best practices in forest sector communication (2005);
- Workshop/seminar in communication in forest sector policy (based on earlier outputs by FCN, including studies of public perceptions, “train the trainers” workshops, best practices guide, etc.), with participation of sector policy makers and analysts;
- Assistance to UNECE/FAO secretariat in improving communication about integrated programme, and to team of specialists on gender in forestry and other teams, as requested;
- Report on consumer attitudes towards forest products (completion expected for 2005).

B. BACKGROUND

ESTABLISHED / APPROVED BY	Joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission, Geneva, 5-9 October 2004
DURATION	From 2005 to 2008
METHODS OF WORK	Meetings, workshops and policy advice
REPORTING	To annual Bureaux meetings
TEAM LEADER	Mr. Ingwald Gschwandtl (Austria) and Deputy Leaders, Mr. Bob Burt (Canada), Mr. Juhani Karvonen (Finland) and Mr. Tomass Kotovics (Latvia)
RESPONSIBLE SECRETARIAT MEMBER	Kit Prins