





WORKSHOP

"The future of Alpine forests in light of the potential impacts of climate change: threats and opportunities"

UDINE, *Italy* - 17th MAY 2013 – 9:15 AM – 1:45 PM Exposition of Sustainability – EOS, Pavillion 6, Room 4, Fiera di Udine

The Italian Ministry for the Environment, Italian Presidency 2013-2014 of the Alpine Convention, will organize in cooperation with the Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia, a Workshop titled "The future of Alpine forests in light of the potential impacts of climate change: threats and opportunities". The Workshop, open to the public, will take place on next 17th May 2013 in Udine, Italy, in the context of the Exposition of Sustainability – EOS (http://www.eosfiera.it/index.php).

In the framework of the Alpine Convention, the first international treaty on sustainable development of a mountainous region signed on 1991 in Salzburg by the 8 Alpine Countries and by the EU, at the XII Alpine Conference held in Poschiavo (Switzerland) last 7 September 2012, a Working Group on "Mountain Forests" was established under proposal of the Italian Minister for the Environment Corrado Clini.

On the occasion of each meeting of the experts delegated from the Member States to work on the topics of this Working Group, the Italian Presidency 2013-2014 of the Alpine Convention will organize a scientific Workshop open to the public with the aim of disseminating and fostering discussion among the stakeholders, the first of which will be held precisely in Udine.

In particular, the Workshop of May 17th will have the objectives of analyzing the data available on Alpine forests and the possible solutions for improving the coordination of the transalpine mountain forests monitoring systems, as well as of sharing knowledge, experience and good practices for deploying innovative tools of transboundary governance.

Further, the Workshop aims at fostering debate with the local competent authorities on the strategies adopted at the local and trans-boundary levels in order to identify possible shared solutions towards a sustainable management of the Alpine forest resources in light of the potential impacts of climate change and of the related risks and opportunities.

To this aim, the Workshop foresees sessions open to public discussion, and an English-Italian interpreting service will be guaranteed by the organizers.

To reach the venue of the event, useful information can be found at this link:: http://www.eosfiera.it/inside.php?mn=9&sub=25

To join the Workshop, please fill in the following on-line registration form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11P2mig19c6JAqOrXvcx0R6B7jlZQjfInHaJjf5vpnxE/viewform









Provisional Agenda

(Chairman: A. Ballarin Denti, Italian National Focal Point for the Alpine Convention)

9:15 am Welcome Statements from the Authorities

CORRADO CLINI* - Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea

SARA VITO - Regional Councillor for the Environment, Energy and Mountain Policy - Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia

MARCO ONIDA* - Secretary General – Alpine Convention

9:45 am F. DELLAGIACOMA (President of the Working Group "Mountain Forests" of the Alpine Convention) Objectives and activities of the Working Group "Mountain Forests" of the Alpine Convention during the years 2013-2014

10:05 am R. JANDL (Federal Research and Training Centre on Forests, Natural Hazards and landscape, BFW Vienna) Management strategies to adapt Alpine forests to climate change: results and guidelines from the MANFRED project

10:35 am R. PELOSINI* (Regional Agency for Environmental Protection- ARPA Piemonte) Forest fires' prevention in the Alpine arc in a context of climate change: results and guidelines from the ALPFFIRS project

10:55 am Question time with the public

11:15 am Coffee Break

11:35 am P. GASPARINI (CRA-MPF - Trento) & G. ALBERTI (University of Udine) The Italian National forest inventory within the European forest monitoring system: state of the art and future perspectives

11:55 am R. COMINO (Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia) Active forest management in Friuli Venezia Giulia

12:15 am A. BREZNIKAR (Slovenian Forest Service) Forest management and climate change in Slovenia

12:35 am E. PAOLETTI (Institute for Plant Protection-CNR) Climate Change and Forest Mitigation and Adaptation in a Polluted Environment (MAFor)

12:55 am M. MARCHETTI (University of Molise) Expected Climate Change and Options for European Silviculture (ECHOES)

1:15 – 1:45 pm Discussions and conclusions with the experts & light lunch

*to be confirmed

