

“A green infrastructure for growth: the potential role of the Alpine forests in a European Green Economy”

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The Rovaniemi Action Plan for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy: a focus on the Alpine region



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Overview

- Mandate
- Vision and Objectives
- Actions relevant to Alpine forests
- Way forward

Green Economy



low carbon



resource efficient



socially inclusive

Forest Sector in a Green Economy



Climate mitigation
and protection of
ecosystems



Sustainably
produced goods
and services



Education and
decent green jobs



Rovaniemi Action Plan

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- 129 concrete actions under 5 work areas
 - Adopted by UNECE & FAO member states
 - Addressed to governments, private sector and any other stakeholders
 - Non binding



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MINISTERO DELL'AMBIENTE
E DELLA TUTELA DEL TERRITORIO E DEL MARE



OSTELLO
Parco Monte Barro

THE ALPINE CONVENTION IS THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL TREATY FOR THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF A CROSS-BORDER MOUNTAINOUS REGION
italian presidency 2013-2014
alpine convention

Rovaniemi Action Plan



RIO+20
United Nations
Conference on
Sustainable
Development

WFO 21
WORLD FOREST WEEK
24-28 SEPTEMBER 2012



Stakeholder
meetings

E-mail
consultations

Intergovernmental
meetings
ECE TC-COFFI / FAO EFC

Questionnaire
& first draft



28 Oct - 1 Nov 2013, Nairobi, Kenya



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Objectives of the Action Plan

By 2020
the forest sector

Contributes to the
mitigation of
climate change

Cares for its
workforce

Uses wisely its
resources

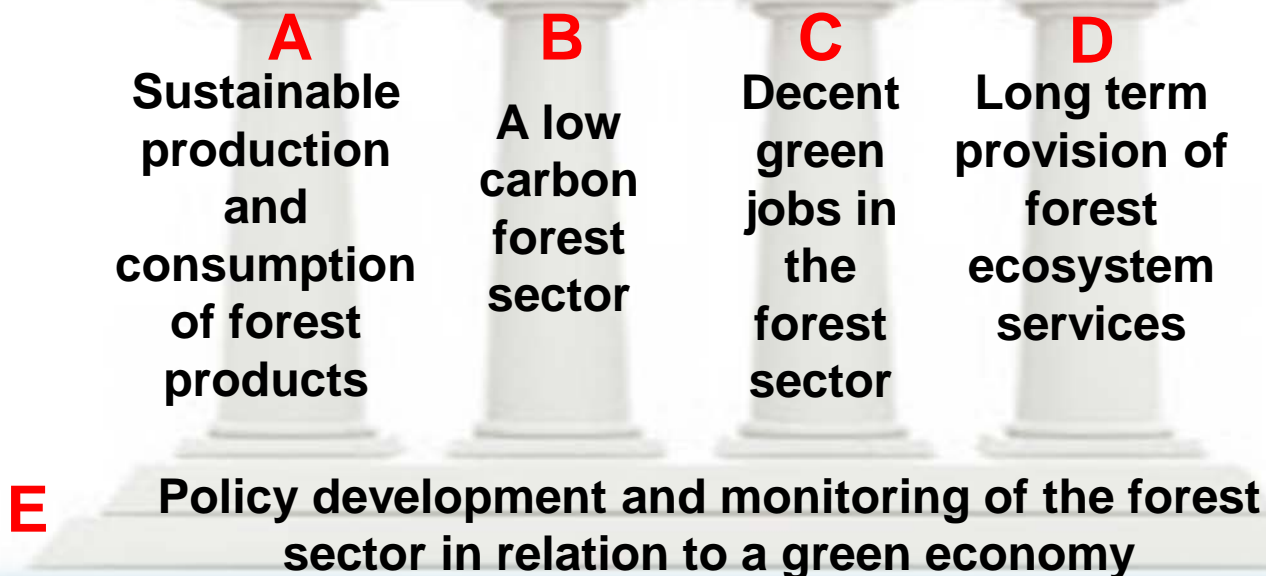
Takes
externalities into
account

Bases decisions
on **relevant**
policies



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Vision for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy



C Decent Green Jobs: example of pillar structure

	Possible actions	Possible actors
C.0	Objective: to develop and communicate ambitious and realistic strategies for decent green jobs in the forest sector	
C.0.1	Review forest sector workforce issues in order to recommend priorities and communicate their importance including through wide stakeholder consultation.	UNECE/FAO, ILO, social partners, NGOs and researchers
C.1	Objective: To ensure that the workforce has the necessary skills to carry out the increasingly complex tasks associated with sustainable forest management	
C.1.1	Improve monitoring and analysis of the forest-sector workforce, starting by updating the earlier ECE/FAO/ILO study of professional skills and training.*	UNECE/FAO, ILO, Joint Expert Network to implement SFM with stakeholders (ENFE)
C.1.2	Review and discuss at policy level the main threats to sustainability of the workforce), and possible countermeasures. Include regular sessions on "new forest jobs in the green economy" at high level forest sector meetings	UNECE/FAO, ILO, ENFE, EUSTAFOR, CEPF, other stakeholders
C.1.3	Develop tripartite (government/unions/employers) approaches to green jobs in the forest sector, using tools such as regulations, minimum standards, certification etc.	Governments, ILO, stakeholders
C.1.4	Increase investment in the education and training of contractors, forest workers and forest owners.*	Governments (labour/training ministries), Joint Expert network, EFESC, ENFE, EFI
C.1.5	Encourage associations, such as contractors associations, as a means to improve access to training.	Governments, ENFE



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Mountain Forest Protocol

Rovaniemi Action Plan

Art 6 Protective functions

Art 7 Economic functions

Art 8 Social and ecological func.

Art 10 Research and monitoring

Art 11 Education and Information

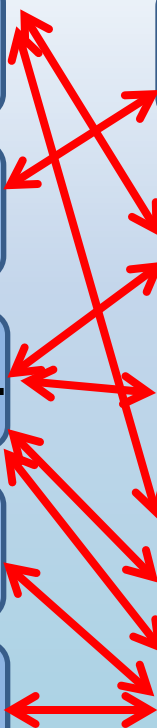
A Sustainable forest products

B Low carbon forest sector

C Decent green jobs

D Sustainable ecosystems

E Policy and monitoring



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Examples of actions relevant to Alpine forests

A.2.1 Link development of procurement policies to existing legislation and practice on sustainable consumption and production

B.1.4 Promote the use of wood in construction

C.1.5 Increase investment in education and training of forest workers and forest owners

D.2.4 Empower forest owners and promote partnerships with other actors in providing ecosystem services such as ecotourism

E.0.2 Review national forest sector governance and the adequacy of available supporting information



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Way Forward

“Forging Partnerships for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy”

**International Workshop
2014 (date tbc)
Krakow, Poland**



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