









WORKSHOP

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

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7th MARCH 2014 – 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

The Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention on duty for the period 2013-2014, will organize, with the support of the Permanent Secretariat and in cooperation with the Eliante Cooperative and Legambiente Lecco, a public Workshop public titled "A green infrastructure for growth: the potential role of the Alpine forests in a European Green Economy".

The event, will be hosted by the Regional Park of Monte Barro, and it will be preceded by the meeting of the members of the Working Group Mountain Forests scheduled the 6th of March in the afternoon.

For all who want to participate, we kindly remind the necessity to fill the following on line registration form by the 27th of February:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1riwkLmZ5-bh3Rky8UD-Y47-xJ3TO4dA1gvZ_FoMWQgw/viewform (Within the registration form you can also specify if you need shuttle service to reach meeting venue).

The event - about which you can find attached the advanced programme - will take place on next 7th March 2014 in Galbiate (LC), Italy, at the Eremo Monte Barro, situated in the namesake Regional Park (http://www.parcobarro.lombardia.it/_parco/index.php)

In the light of the most recent guidelines of international and EU policies of sustainable development, and of the increasing attention they paid to the potential role of the forestry sector to develop Green Economy models, the Workshop will have the objectives of supporting the analysis of methodologies, good practices and existing approaches related to instruments for the valorization of the Alpine forest heritage and multi-functionality, in the context of green economy oriented to the objectives of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth indicated by the EU in the "Europe 2020" Agenda.

Experts and representatives of international, national and regional institutions and organizations operating in the sector will encourage the debate with the public and local stakeholders to promote shared strategies and projects on the role of forest resources in the transition to more eco-compatible production processes, in the renewable energy sector, in the valorization of multiple ecosystem services guaranteed by the mountain forests, and in the development of a sustainable forestry tourism. This sharing of experiences aims to contribute to the ongoing activities within the Alpine Convention to promote initiatives that highlight the value of the Alpine forests for the development of effective integrated cross-border policies in the context of a Green Economy that takes into account the potential and specific characteristics of the Alps.

The event is, indeed, included in the framework of a scientific events programme open to the public promoted by the Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention on the occasion of each meeting of international experts delegated from the Member States in the Working Group "Mountain Forests", that was established, on the initiative of Italy, at the XII Alpine Conference held in Poschiavo (Switzerland) last 7 September 2012.

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













Draft Agenda Chair:

P. Angelini, Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, E. Calvo ERSAF Lombardia, Italian Head of Delegation Working Group "Mountain Forests" of the Alpine Convention

9:00 am Welcome Statements from the Authorities

- Italian Presidency of the Alpine Convention
- President of the Regional Park of Monte Barro
- Region of Lombardy
- Secretary General of the Alpine Convention
- 9:20 am F. Dellagiacoma (President, Working Group "Mountain Forests" of the Alpine Convention), The state of the Alpine forests: first results from the Working Group on "Mountain Forests" of the Alpine Convention
- 9.35 am R. Carovigno (Region of Lombardy), *The Forest-Wood-Energy chain in the Region of Lombardy: a green capital for promoting the EU2020 Agenda goals in mountain areas*
- 9.50 am W. Sekot (University of Natural Resources and Life Science BOKU Vienna), Challenges for Sustainable Forest Management in an Alpine country the case of Austria
- 10.20 am A. Kacprzak (UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section), *The "Rovaniemi Action Plan for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy"*
- 10. 50 am Coffee break
- 11.10 am J. Schima (Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management), *The wood chain in Austria: how participatory processes can foster green economy and promote sustainability principles*
- 11.30 am L. Cesaro (National Institute of Agricultural Economics INEA), *The Italian forestry sector: challenges and opportunities in light of the EU 2014 2020 Financial Programmes*
- 11.50 am G. Battistel (Foundation Edmund Mach S. Michele), *Valorizing mountain forests multi-functionality: case studies of silvo-tourism in the Alps*
- 12.10 pm C. Garrone (FederLegnoArredo), The Due Diligence Regulation and the promotion of local wood chain as a leverage for an Alpine green economy
- 12.30 pm Open discussion with questions from the audience

