

Renewable Resources



Sustainable Future

PROGRAM

WELCOMING RECEPTION (27.8.2007 at 19:00 – 22:00), Majvik Jugend Castle	
Hosted by: <i>Dr. Arne Reunala, Director-General, Department of Forestry, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland</i>	
FORUM (28.8.2007), Majvik Meeting and Convention Hotel	
9:00 – 10:15 OPENING OF THE FORUM	
Welcome address	<i>Mr. Juha Hakkarainen, President, Finnish Forest Association</i>
Opening speech: Natural Resources and Policies in the Nordic and Baltic countries – Directions for the Future	<i>Ms. Sirkka-Liisa Anttila, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland</i>
Key note speech: Commission initiatives towards a bio-based economy: From strategic research to lead markets	<i>Dr. Monika Sormann, European Commission - DG Research, Biotechnology, Agriculture and Food</i>
10:30 – 12:30 SESSION 1. RENEWABLES – SUSTAINABLE AND COMPETITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR THE FUTURE	
Interactive presentation using the electronic voter technology: Renewable Natural Resources in Europe – Facts and Figures	<i>Dr. Eeva Hellström, Director of the Forest Academy for Decision-Makers, Finnish Forest Association. Data prepared in cooperation with European Environmental Agency</i>
Participant panel discussion: A Renewable Resource Base – Potentials and Challenges for the Nordic and Baltic countries	<i>Dr. Niels Elers Koch, Director General, Danish Center for Forest, Landscape and Planning, University of Copenhagen; IUFRO Vice President (Chairman of the panel) Mr. Karl-Johan Lehtinen, Senior Manager Environmental Affairs, NEFCO Mr. Staffan Nilsson, Member of the EU Economic and Social Committee EESC Mr. Lauri Palojarvi, Lis.Tech;Doct.Cand., Construction economics, Helsinki University of Technology Ms. Vida Rozite, Adviser, Nordisk Energy Research</i>
13:30 – 14:30 SESSION 2. CASE: FOREST-BASED POTENTIALS	
Interactive presentation using the electronic voter technology: Forest and Wood Resources in Europe - Facts and Figures	<i>Dr. Eeva Hellström, Finnish Forest Association. Data prepared in cooperation with European Forest Institute</i>
Forest-Based Wellbeing – Prospects and Opportunities for the Nordic and Baltic Region	<i>Mr. Petri Vasara, Dr.Tech., Principal, Jaakko Pöyry Consulting Oy</i>
14:45 – 16:30 SESSION 3. CROSS-SECTORAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
Group work: Cross-Sectoral Contributions and Policy Messages	<i>Group work moderator: Ms. Eeva Hellström, Finnish Forest Association</i>
16:30 – 17:00 CLOSING OF THE FORUM	
Summary of the day	<i>Mr. Antero Honkasalo, Director, Ministry of the Environment, Finland</i>
Closing words	<i>Ms. Lise Lykke Steffensen, Senior Adviser, Nordic Council of Ministers</i>

EXCURSION “Wood energy production chain” (29.8.2007 at 8:00-15:00)

The excursion ends at the Helsinki-Vantaa airport at 15:00 at the latest.