



**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**  
RESEARCH DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Directorate N - International scientific cooperation  
**Community cooperation activities**

**European Commission DG RESEARCH meeting on forest research for  
development**

**Brussels 20 – 21 January 2005**

**Square De Meeûs 8,**

**Room 8 E**

***Programme***

**Thursday 20 January 2005**

9:00 - 9:30 Participants arrive at DG Research SDME (Square de Meeûs) 8 E: Registration

9:45 - 10:00 Welcome by Alfredo Aguilar: Directorate N International cooperation: Head of  
Unit N2: Community cooperation activities  
Participants introduce themselves in a rapid tour de table

10:00 - 10:30 DG Research N 2: Nicole Riveill

- Presentation of meeting objectives
- General overview of activities during the previous RTD Framework Programmes; quick summary of statistics on financed projects
- Regional dialogues, role of networks; Impact of research
- Last call for proposals INCO DEV 2005 for forest research

Discussion

10:30 – 11:00 DG RESEARCH I : Environment: Unit I 1: Policy Aspects of Research and Sustainable Development: Daniel Deybe (Ewald Pertlik)

Presentation on international aspects of activities funded under priority 1.1.6.3 Global Change and Ecosystems.

Discussion

11:00 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 12:15 DG ENVIRONEMENT: Directorate B: Protecting the natural Environment: Unit B 03 : Forests: Bazill John (Ernst Schulte, Rakonczay Zoltan, Van de Velde Joost) and Directorate G: Sustainable Development and integration: Unit G3 Research: Science and innovation: Vounakis Irja),

DG DEVELOPMENT: Directorate B Development Policy and Sectoral Questions B4 Environment, Rural Development Neil Scotland, Vialatte Philippe ;

AIDCO: Cooperation Office: Directorate F Horizontal operations: unit F 04 4. Social and human development, Environment and Thematic support: Louis Du Breil de Pontbriand ; Azzoni Gianluca

- Activities related to forests and development by other EC Directorates (One presentation by DG)
- Research needs perceived (questions and discussion after lunch)

Discussion

12:15 – 13:15 Regional presentations by forest research network representatives

Forest research priorities and ideas for integration into EC 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme for (one presentation by region: max. 15 minutes each.

- Africa : M. Ben Chicamai; Yonas Yemshaw (Kenya AFORNET, FORNESSA)
- Asia : M. Sim Heok-Choh (Malaysia APAFRI) and Dr. LI Zhiyong Chinese Academy of Forestry (ASEM)
- Latin America : M.Santiago Barros (Chili INFOR) and Vitor Afonso Hoeflich (Brasil EMBRAPA)

Discussion

**13:15 - 14:15 Lunch**

14:15 - 14:45 Participants each identify a maximum of three forest research priorities per region, and write these on colored cards; grouping and discussion of results per region.

14:45 - 15:45 Experience in supporting and catalyzing development-oriented forest research: ETFRN (European Tropical Forest Network), DFID Forest Research programme.

15:45 - 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 - 17:00 Discussion on forest research for development: priorities, suggested topics for consideration for FP7

- Review of priorities identified earlier
- How to achieve impact?
- Procedure to involve a broader group to review results
- Mechanisms to catalyse development-oriented forest research

(Possibly 2 groups discussions: one in room 8E and the other room 2 E)

17:00 Special meeting of ETFRN Steering Committee

## **Friday 21 January 2005: SDME 8 E and SDME 2E**

9:00 Continuation of discussion on priorities and mechanisms  
Presentation of group discussion results

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee break

Room SDME 8 E

10:45 - 12:45 Groups draft elements of meeting output:

- Priorities per region, and global
- Achieving impact
- Mechanisms / instruments
- Procedure to review results by participants and others in the course of 2005

**12:45 - 14:15 Lunch**

14:15 - 16:00 Presentation of meeting output reports; comments and discussion

16:00 - 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 - 16:45 Review of meeting output reports by small groups to incorporate comments

16:45 - 17:00 Meeting closure

### **Acronyms:**

ETFRN: European Tropical Forest Research Network

DFID: Department for International Development

AFORNET: African Forest Research Network

FORNESSA: Forestry Research Network in Sub-Saharan Africa

APAFRI: Asia Pacific Association of Forestry Research Institutions

ASEM: Asia-Europe Meeting

INFOR: Instituto Forestal de **Chile**

EMBRAPA: Empresa Brasileira de Pesquisa Agropecuária