





Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

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- 26th Session of the WP on the Management
of Mountain Watersheds

Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe

- High-level forest policy process in Europe
- Policies for sustainable forest management
- Ministerial commitments and follow-up actions
- Open platform for dialogue
- 18 years of cooperation – 47 Signatories
- 5 ministerial conferences – 19 resolutions



MCPFE: Structure

- Ministerial Conferences

- Strasbourg 1990, Helsinki 1993, Lisbon 1998, Vienna 2003, Warsaw 2007

- Expert Level Meetings:

- Decision-making body between the conferences

- MCPFE Liaison Unit Oslo:

- Secretariate supporting the co-operation of the ministers responsible for forests in Europe



5th MCPFE:

Warsaw, 5-7 November 2007

- Warsaw resolution 1 "Forests, Wood and Energy"
- Warsaw resolution 2 "Forests and Water"







MCPFE – Forests and Water

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MCPFE: overall achievements

- Solid platform for pan-European cooperation
- Framework for global-regional interface
- Developed a conceptual frame for Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) in Europe:
 - Definition and General Guidelines
 - Criteria and Indicators
 - Operational Level Guidelines



Commitments: Forests and Water

- 1st MCPFE, Strasbourg 1990
 - Resolution S4 "Adapting the Management of Mountain Forests to New Environmental Conditions"

- 5th MCPFE, Warsaw 2007
 - Resolution W1 "Forests, Wood and Energy"
 - Resolution W2 "Forests and Water"



Cooperation for Forests and Water

- MCPFE follow-up work
 - National implementation
 - Pan-European Implementation
- Need for Cross-sectoral cooperation
 - Vienna resolution 1 (2003)
 - Workshop in Riga, "Common Benefits, Shared Responsibilities, Multiple Policies" (2005)



Warsaw ministerial conference – 5th MCPFE, 5-7 November 2007

- Warsaw resolution 2 “Forests and Water”
 - Sustainable management of forests in relation to water
 - Coordinating policies on forests and water
 - Forests, water and climate change
 - Economic valuation of water-related forest services



MCPFE Work Programme

- adopted May 2008

Warsaw Resolution 2 Forests and Water:

- Two scientific conferences on forests and water
 - Poland, 14-17 September 2008
 - Barcelona, 30-31 October 2008
- Workshop: "Water related ecosystem services and implications for forest and water policies", 2009
 - Actors: MCPFE, FAO, UNECE Water Convention and Turkey
- Workshop: "Pan-European approaches for development of measures to secure multiple forest ecosystem services", 2010



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Warsaw Resolution 1 Forests, Wood and Energy,
at a brief:

- Workshop on sustainable forest management and climate change – optimising the contribution of the forest sector (spring 2009)
- Open-ended ad-hoc working group on sustainability criteria for forest biomass production, including bioenergy (2008-2009)
- Drafting meeting on the elaboration of the pan-European afforestation and reforestation guidelines (2008)



Thank you for your attention!



