



FAO Sub-regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe

SEUR Forestry Activities in CEE

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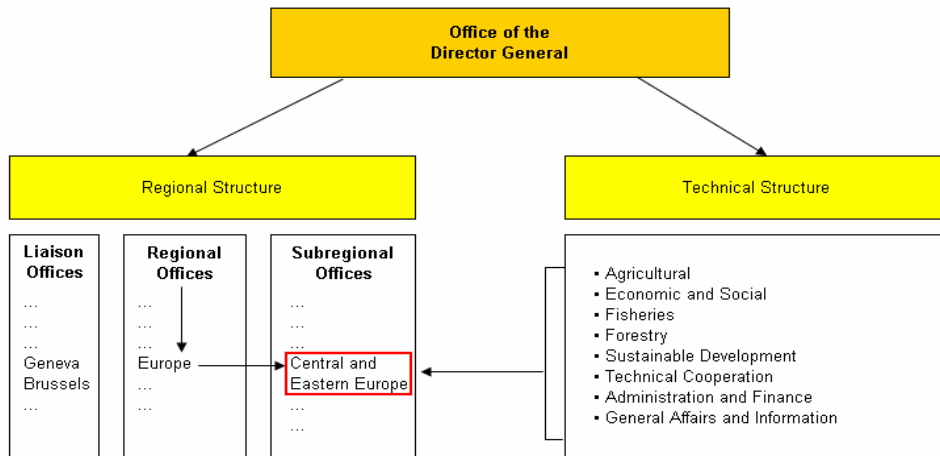
FAO mandate

- Gathering and dissemination of data and information
- Sharing policy expertise
- Providing a meeting place for nations
- Bringing knowledge to the field





Organizational structure of FAO



Major intergovernmental FAO bodies

	FAO Conference				
	FAO Council				
Global	Programme Committee	Finance Committee	Committee on Const. and Legal Matters	FAO Committee on Forestry	...
Africa	...	...	...	...	...
Asia	...	...	...	...	...
Europe	FAO Regional Conference for Europe			European Forestry Commission	...
Latin-America	...	...	...	...	...
Near-East	...	...	...	...	...
North America	...	...	...	...	...



The establishment of SEUR

- In line with the de-centralization policy of FAO
- Established 1996
- As a response to political and economic changes in Central and Eastern Europe



Sub-regional representation

- Ensures the efficient functioning of the Sub-regional Office on behalf of FAO
- Oversees the utilization of staff and resources
- Liaises with governments and other national authorities



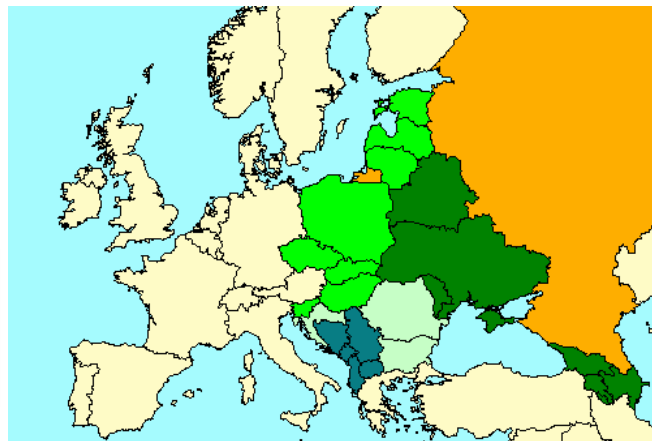


FAO member countries in Central and Eastern Europe

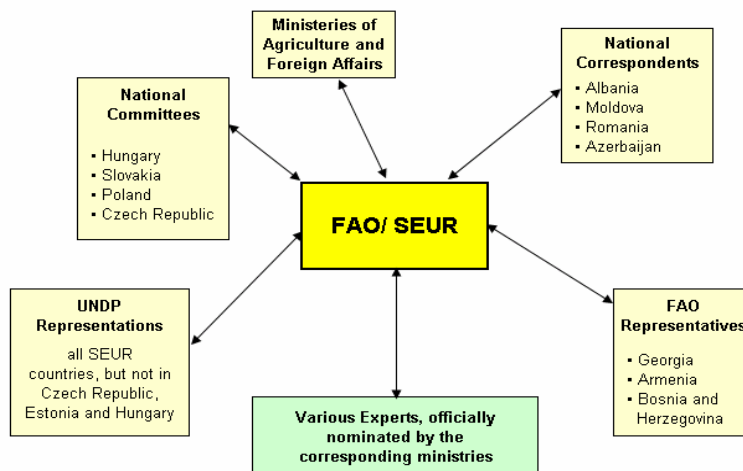
20 member countries

Legend

- New EU Countries
- CIS
- EU Accession Countries
- Balkan



Communication links between FAO/SEUR and the countries





SEUR responsibilities

- Monitoring and reporting
- Identifying priority areas of action
- Providing technical assistance to member countries
- Promoting the technical cooperation between countries in transition and other partnership programmes
- Providing support services
- Supporting and organization of regular programmes and events, e.g. workshops and conferences



FAO/SEUR assistance to countries

- **Regular Programme**
 - Technical Cooperation Programme
 - Technical Cooperation among Countries in Transition/Developing Countries
 - Special Programme of Food Security
- **Extra- budgetary programme**
 - Government Cooperative Programme
 - Unilateral Trust Fund

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Work programme

- Agricultural Information Management
- Food Standards and Nutrition
- Land Tenure and Rural Development
- Livestock Sector Development
- Forestry
- Farm Management and Agribusiness
- Policy Assistance
- Library and Information Services



Priorities defined by the UNECE/ FAO Joint Session of Timber Committee and European Forestry Commission Geneva, October 2004

- Forest products markets and statistics, link to policy issues
- Forest resource assessment and indicators of sustainable forest management (i.e. forest fires)
- Forest sector outlook studies: Implementation of policy relevant recommendations (i.e. wood energy)
- Social and cultural aspect of forestry
- Policy and cross-sectoral issues with focus on Eastern Europe



Forestry Challenges in Eastern Europe

- Economic potential: natural resources and human capacity, access to Western and Asian forest products markets
- Small-scale private forest owners in rural development
- Increasing demand for social and environmental benefits of forests
- Threats to the contribution of forestry land use to sustainable development



FAO Forestry Programme on Eastern Europe (FPPE)

- Assistance to forest owners and small scale forest industry enterprises
- Strengthening the policy and institutional framework of the forest sector and support to state forest management
- Foster data and information exchange





Ongoing forestry projects (selection)

Support to the design and development of innovative forest management schemes
country: Hungary; time period: 07/ 2004 - 02/ 2006

Strengthening Capacity For Forest Fire Prevention
country: Bulgaria; time period; 12/ 2003 – 05/ 2005

Support in implementation a forest sector development programme in Kosovo
country: Serbia and Montenegro; time period: 03/ 2004 – 03/ 2006

Support to the development of a strategy for territorial organization and sustainable land management in areas with high natural disaster risk
country: Hungary; time period: 07/ 2004- 06/ 2006

Institutional development and capacity building in forestry and forest industry subsectors
country: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; time period:10/ 2004- 03/ 2006



Major forestry events in the region 2005

Policy options for storm damage management – Workshop
Zvolen, Slovakia, 18-21 April 2005

Policy options for improved forest land use in South-East Europe
Durdevac, Croatia, 06- 09 June 2005

UNECE/FAO Workshop on policy consequences of the European Forest Sector Outlook Study (EFSOS)
SEUR Office, Budapest, Hungary, 20- 21 June 2005

Two sub-regional workshops on FAO assistance aiming at the Forest Sector
Tbilisi, Kiev, autumn 2005

Meeting of the UNECE/ FAO team of specialists on sustainable development of the forest sector in Central and Eastern Europe and in the CIS
Budapest, SEUR office, autumn 2005



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