

# *EuroCoppice*

Innovative management and multifunctional utilization of traditional coppice forests - an answer to future ecological, economic and social challenges in the European forestry sector

**MC meeting in Chatham, UK  
Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

Chair of FP 1301: Gero Becker  
Organization: Janine Schweier

Chair of forest utilization  
University of Freiburg, Germany

# Agenda

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1. Welcome/ Rapporteur
2. Update status quo
3. Responsibilities/ Authorization of the Steering Group
4. Update work- and budget plan
5. Ongoing activities
- 6 Upcoming activities
7. Any other business



# **Welcome to the MC meeting of FP 1301 EuroCoppice in Chatham**



## 2. Update status quo (I)

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### **Approved institutions from COST Countries: (Norway)**

- Norwegian Forest and Landscape Institute  
Giovanna Ottoviani and Bruce Talbot

### **Approved institutions from IPC (South Africa)**

- Stellenbosch University  
Pierre Ackerman and Cori Ham
- Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University  
Keith Little and Andrew Mc Ewan

### **Request from Israel (to be approved)**

- Ben-Gurion University  
Orna Reisman-Berman

## 2. Update status quo (II)

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### TRR

- Please hand over your original and signed TRR to Gero Becker directly.
- Invoices and tickets can be uploaded in e-cost after the meeting (or send it via e-mail).
- Reason: we want to speed up the process of reimbursement as the first Grant Period finishes at Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

## 2. Update status quo (III)

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### **Temporary absence of Peter Buckley, leader of WG 4**

The Vice chair of WG4, Prof. Gheorghe Florian BORLEA of University of Timisoara (RO) takes over the lead as long as Pieter Buckley is absent.



# 2. Update status quo (IV)

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## STSM

- In total, 16 official applications in GP1
- Until Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 13 STSMs will be carried out (19 were scheduled in the work-and budget plan 2014)
- Approved reports are on the website



Pictures:  
Schweier, Mallinis

# 2. Update status quo (V)

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## Training School

- 1<sup>st</sup> TS was in July 2014 in Sarajevo, BA
- Topic: Silviculture of coppice beech forests - from traditional forest management to conversion in high forest
- approved report will be on the website soon

<http://www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de/training-schools/trainingschool-2014>



Pictures: Cemal Visnic, University of Sarajevo





# 3. Responsibilities of the SG

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- The organization of the Training school in Sarajevo showed that it's very complicate to ask all MC members for the approval of the trainees and trainers and heights of the grants (every cost country needs to be asked for approval).
- Therefore, we ask for the authorization of the MC to approve the selection of the trainees and trainers and heights of the grants of all upcoming training schools (like in the case of STSMs).

MC decision:

# 4. Work- and budget plan (GP2)

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- COST is in a transition period from FP7 to H2020 as well as in transition from ESF as the legal entity to the COST Association.
  - *next budget: (only) 170,000 €*  
*we need to submit a revised work- and budget plan*
  - Approval of revised budget plan by SG. MC decision:  
  
president Sjur Baarson informed at the DC FPS meeting in 09/2014 that that the whole system of COST is changed:
    - there are no Domain Committees and consequently no rapporteurs any more.
  - *It is an open question how actions will be evaluated in future*

# 5. Ongoing activities (I)

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## **Glossary of terms**

Dagnija Lazdina and Radomir Klvac

# 5. Ongoing activities (II)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> call for STSMs

- The call is open



**Cost Action FP1301 - EuroCoppice**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Call for STSM**

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[www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de](http://www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de)

# 5. Ongoing activities (III)

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## Website

- Our website is updated continuously  
[www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de](http://www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de).
- All members of the Action are asked to check it regularly for new information, minutes etc.
- Documents which should be put online can be send via e-mail to [eurocoppice@fobawi.uni-freiburg.de](mailto:eurocoppice@fobawi.uni-freiburg.de).
- See f.e. contributions of our COST partners at IUFRO  
<http://www.eurocoppice.uni-freiburg.de/IUFRO2014>



# 6. Upcoming activities (I)

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## **Coppice conference in Brno, CZ**

- In 2015, there will be a Conference about coppice “Coppice forests: past, present and future”.
- Dates: 9-11<sup>th</sup> April, 2015, at Mendel University in Brno.
- Deadline for abstract submission: 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2014.
- EuroCoppice will collaborate and organize a joint WG meeting (mainly WG 2 and WG4; max. 45 participants).
  - April 7<sup>th</sup> Arrival
  - April 8<sup>th</sup> WG meetings
  - April 9<sup>th</sup> Conference + WG meeting
  - April 10<sup>th</sup> Conference
  - April 11<sup>th</sup> Field trip
- Radomir Klvac volunteered to be the local organizer.

[http://coppice.eu/konference\\_cs.html](http://coppice.eu/konference_cs.html)

# 6. Upcoming activities (II)

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## **MC & WG meeting and Conference in 2015 in RO**

- Meeting in October 2015  
(week 42, starting at Oct 12<sup>th</sup> or week 43 starting at Oct.19<sup>th</sup>)

# 6. Upcoming activities (III)

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## Training school

- Topic?
- Local organizer?

## 6. Upcoming activities (IV)

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**Joint meeting with IUFRO group „Small scale forestry“  
(in 2015 or 2016)**

# 7. Any other business

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# Thank you

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Last COST meeting in Florence