

EuroCoppice

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

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Agenda – Modifications / Approval

1. Welcome, approval of (modified) Agenda, Rapporteur, quorum check
2. Review of MC e-votes since Bucharest MC Meeting (Oct, 2015)
3. Budget cuts in Grant Period 4 (01.05.2016 – 30.04.2017)
4. Modifications to the MoU (MC VOTE)
5. Planned and budgeted activities GP 4
 - A. STSM
 - B. Training Schools
 - C. Antwerp Conference
 - D. Meetings
 - E. Dissemination
6. Outlook until the end of the Action (GP5)
 1. STSM
 2. Meetings
 3. Limoges Conference
 4. Dissemination
7. Final Action Dissemination (MC VOTE)

1) MC Member Presence 1

Belgium	Reinhart Ceulemans, Kris Verheyen
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Cemal Visnija, Sead Vojnikovic
Bulgaria	Svetla Bratanova-Doncheva, (Ivaylo Tsvetkov)
Czech Republic	Radomir Klvac
Croatia	Miljenko Zupanic
Denmark	Pieter Kofman
Estonia	Katrin Heinsoo
Finland	Jyrki Hytönen
France	Morgan Vuillermoz
Germany	Achim Dohrenbusch
Greece	Petros Tsioras
Israel	Orna Reisman-Berman

1) MC Member Presence 2 (25 total)

Italy	Raffaele Spinelli, Natascia Magagnotti
Latvia	Kristaps Makovskis
Lithuania	Marius Aleinikovas
Netherlands	Patrick Jansen
Poland	Piotr Mederski, Zbigniew Karaszewski
Portugal	Abel Rodrigues, (Helder Viana)
Romania	Valeriu-Norocel Nicolescu, Florian Borlea
Serbia	Nenad Petrovic
Slovakia	Pavol Otepka, Alexander Feher
Slovenia	Materz Mihelic
Spain	Eduardo Tolosana, Ruben Laina
Turkey	Murat Ertekin
United Kingdom	Debbie Bartlett, David Rossney

1) Countries not represented by MC / Sub

- Austria
- Hungary
- Ireland
- FYRO Macedonia
- Norway
- Sweden
- Switzerland

1) MC Observers Present

Ukraine

Ivan Sopushynskyy

United Kingdom

WG 4 Leader Peter Buckley

2) MC e-votes

23.02.2016 – New Members

11.04.2016 – Participants to be reimbursed in Antwerp

11.04.2016 – Update of the Work and Budget Plan GP3

14.04.2016 – Approval of Work and Budget Plan GP4

3) Budget Cuts GP 4

Fewer funds are available for the Action in GP 4 than in previous GPs

→ 42,850 EUR less than in the original calculations used for GP1 at the Kick-Off of the Action

SG reviewed MoU Deliverables and identified tasks that must be minimized / eliminated due to the diminished working capacity

→ Modifications do not affect the main overall aims and objectives of the Action

→ This reduction in capacity was already reflected in the progress report (M30)

4) Modifications to MoU

WG 1 Definitions and Typology

1. Collecting, ~~comparing and synthesizing~~ the various expressions and definitions that are related to CFM. This will be then developed further to a glossary and will be continuously improved and enlarged during the life time of the project.

→ Data is being collected, but there is no capacity for comparison and synthesizing tasks

→ VOTE

4) Modifications to MoU

WG 2 Ecology and silvicultural management

1. Guiding and extensive literature review about ecological and silvicultural aspects of CFM
 - ~~2. Enquiry with coppice forests resource persons, experts and specialists (in cooperation with WG 1) to collect knowledge which may have not yet been published.~~
 3. Critical review of the collected material from step one ~~and two~~ and identifying contradictive findings and research gaps.
- Since this is a very difficult task and is not central to the work for the WG and so will no longer be pursued
- VOTE

4) Modifications to MoU

~~3. Developing concepts to assess the sustainable growth in yield potential using advanced remote sensing technologies for inventory.~~

5. Setup productivity and cost figures as benchmarks.

→ Decision to remove (3) was made at the Chatham Conference due to lack of capacity

→ Part of (5) can no longer be promised.

→ VOTE

4) Modifications to MoU

WG 4 Services, protection, nature conservation

2. Collect information on ~~the legislative framework for safe practices in relation to~~ protection **functions of coppice** forests (protecting infrastructures such as roads, railways and buildings), particularly in relation to maintained or abandoned coppices. Compare this framework with the technical issues arising in deliverable 1, and make recommendations for best practice.

→ This can only be carried out to a lesser extent than before.

→ VOTE

4) Modifications to MoU

Changes to (cross-sectional) “Objective”

~~8. EuroCoppice will explore different concepts of forest/farming interaction based on CFM and evaluate them in terms of feasibility, economy and sustainability.~~

→ This objective is not in the core focus of the Action and thus will not be pursued further.

→ VOTE

5) Activities in GP4

Activity	Description	Spending
Conference	Antwerp	58,950.00
Meetings	t.b.d.	5,175.00
2 Training Schools	Germany, Latvia	41,000.00
STSMs	7 grants	13,300.00
Dissemination	Website, Material	4,000.00
Other	Bank Fees	184.00
Total Scientific		122,609.00
FSAC (Coordination)		18,391.35
Total		141,000.35

Antwerp Conference – left over funds

We suggest to allocate remaining funds to meetings
(WG/SG/cross)

→ VOTE

6) Outlook – GP 5

Budget figures not yet available (end of the year?)

6) Final Action Dissemination (FAD)

As discussed earlier today (see slides on “overall action activities & final output”), we propose publishing a book with the Action results.

The book would be published following the end of the Action (Oct 2017 + 1 year max.)

We propose applying for the COST “Final Action Dissemination” (FAD) for the publication of this book.

→ VOTE

Thank you

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