# **COST ACTION FP1301**

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

Minutes of the WG3 Meeting

University of Greenwich, U.K. 3 November 2014

## **Participants**

Chair: Natascia Magagnotti

#### **Present WG3 members**

Raffaele Spinelli, IT David Rossney, UK Eduardo Tolosana, ES Imre Czupy, HU Tomas Nordfjell, SE Juha Nurmi, Fl Karl Stampfer, AT Anton Poje, SL Matevz Mihelic SL Vasillaq Mine, AL Petros Tsioras, GR Sotir Glushkov, BG Kjell, Suadicani, DK Piotr Mederski, PL Zbigniew Karaszewski, PL Reinhart Ceulemans, BE Ham Cornelis, ZA Ackerman Pierre, ZA Mario Costa, PT Pavol Otepka, SK

### Welcome

Natascia Magagnotti welcomed the WG3 members and presented the greetings sent by Janine Schweier.

## Rapporteur

Petros Tsioras volunteered to write the minutes.



# Before starting the meeting

Natascia Magagnotti asked the WG3 members whether they wanted anything to be added to the agenda.

There was no other point to be discussed and the agenda was approved.

## Update member countries and welcome of new MC members

Natascia Magagnotti opened the meeting and welcomed the new MC member countries, Norway and South Africa. The respective MC members from South Africa introduced themselves.

### WG3 progress

Natascia Magagnotti held a presentation on the targets set for WG3. These include a total of seven article projects.

Raffaele Spinelli commented that some APs might change including other important issues, such as Eucalypt plantations with the participation of delegates from South Africa.

Also it has been decided that the project leaders are responsible for taking decisions with regard to the APs (e.g. inclusion of new contributors to existing APs)

Then the following article project leaders who participated the meeting presented the respective progress reports:

AP1 - Tomas Nordfjell: A list of references have been compiled so far

AP2 - Kjell Suadicani cannot continue as project leader because of large work volume. The new AP lead has to be decided between the other authors.

AP3 – David Rossney presented the database developed for collecting the data on species, products and properties of coppice species.

AP4 – Nike Krajnc did not attend the meeting for other working reason. No updates were available. The other authors confirmed their interest in this article project and they will discuss about the next step.

AP5 - Raffaele Spinelli: A very varied database has been compiled with data from Italy and Spain. Input from France is also expected. Possible methods of statistical analysis are examined. It is expected that the article will be finished within 2015.

AP6 – Mario Costa: Samples have been collected and analysed. More samples have been asked from other countries if they are available. Results from the Santarem study area have been presented. Provisional submission of the article: 2015

AP7 - Anton Poje: There are three possible (and non-mutually exclusive ) study areas: 1. The risk analysis in coppice forests, 2. Accident analysis in coppice forests and 3. ergonomics in coppice forests.

## Deadlines

During the meeting, it has been decided that a first draft of the deliverables will be ready before the next WG3 meeting, in order to be finalize during the meeting.

On Wednesday morning Natascia proposed the following deadlines:

December 2014: she will send the database developed by David to the group and it will be adopted to prepare the D.1 and D.2. Because of the lack of knowledge among the group and the reduction in budget, we decided to drop D.3;

April 2015: members will fill in the database and send to Natascia;

August 2015: Natascia will prepare a draft of D.1 and D.2 and send to the group September or October (Meeting in Romania): discussion of the draft, comments/amendments and tuning of the draft;

November 2015: final version of the document and post it on the Eurocoppice website

The meeting was closed at 18.45h.

# Attached documents:

Powerpoint presentation WG meeting Updated list of the article projects