

# INVITATION TO THE 2014 FTP JOINT PARTNERING EVENT for Horizon 2020 and COST ACTIONS

# FOR THE FOREST-BASED SECTOR in the BIOECONOMY

Organised by FTP and COST with support from EFI, EFPRO, InnovaWood and PTS

# When? 13 November 2014, from 10:00h to 17:00h

# Where? MUNICON Conference Center, Munich Airport, Germany

# Objective - Goal of the partnering event:

To offer the latest information on **Horizon 2020 Calls** published on 11 December 2013 and revised on 22 July 2014, with deadlines for submission in late 2014 and 2015. Focus of the event will be on selected topics FTP believes to be of most relevance to the forest-based sector.

# A unique opportunity to meet suitable partners for your research projects

Participants will be given the opportunity to present their project ideas or institutional research capacities, as well as to give feedback, support, and supplement each other's ideas. Such events are often starting points for building consortia and core planning teams in order to submit research and innovation proposals at a later stage. Additionally, participants are invited to present and discuss ideas and proposals for COST Actions. This year's event will explicitly address invitations to industry, directly or through collaborative industrial research institutes, and stakeholders from other sectors.

# Who should participate?

All forest, forestry and forest-based sector related researchers from European Union Member States, Associated Countries (Norway, Iceland, Israel, etc.) and from third countries (Switzerland, Montenegro, Albania etc.) as they can fully participate in Horizon 2020 projects and the COST Programme.

### Representatives from...

- companies (large, small or medium-sized),
- federations and associations,
- universities,
- private or public research institutes.
- collaborative industrial research institutes
- · public bodies,

...interested in participating in research projects and/or COST Actions are welcome to this partnering event. The activities, competences and interest may range from forest ecology, climate change and forest management to forest-based products and forest-based industry processes, including the timber industry, building with wood, the pulp and paper industry and biorefinery.

# **Topics**

FTP has published a selection of topics of interest for our sector, on the FTP website; these topics will be the basis for the brokerage event. We invite you to consult the list:

http://www.forestplatform.org/files/Topics for FTP stakeholders - Update Aug 2014.pdf

This document will be regularly updated until the event.









## **Programme**

An informal get-together will take place on the evening of 12 November 2014 (from 19:00h) at the Airbräu, located in Munich Airport (<a href="http://www.munich-airport.de/en/micro/airbraeu/index.jsp">http://www.munich-airport.de/en/micro/airbraeu/index.jsp</a>) (food and drinks at participants' own expense).

The partnering event is structured in 3 parts (see Agenda):

- Introduction and overview of the topics to be discussed
- Flash presentations of project ideas or competences by participants (50 time slots only)
- Dynamic brokerage session with moderated parallel partnering meetings

Coffee and lunch breaks will give participants more opportunities for bilateral meetings and networking.

#### How does it work?

Partnering events are ideal platforms for people working in related areas, to meet, discuss and even start ideas for proposals. They provide project coordinators with an opportunity to discuss project ideas with potential partners, so that future consortia can be set up or strengthened. When registering, please indicate your intention to give a flash presentation (max. 3 minutes; 50 time slots available which will be allocated strictly on a first come, first served basis).

Please also indicate your most relevant topics out of the draft call topics, to be discussed in the dynamic brokerage session (15:30h - 17:00h). The list of participants will be circulated 1 week before the event, in order for participants to set up bilateral meetings if desired.

# Registration

Online registration only: http://www.ptspaper.com/services/academy/ftp-registration/

**Absolute registration deadline 3 November, 17:00h CET**. Due to the overwhelming response last year we urge you to respond as quickly as possible as **places are limited**. Surplus participants will be registered in a waiting list.

#### **Payment**

The participation fee is 90,- EURO

No payment in advance. **Participants will be invoiced after registration.** Registered participants will then receive confirmation of their registration and more information about the event.

#### **Accommodation**

Participants should book their hotel room directly. There are several hotels in the area of Munich Airport. Please have a look at:

http://www.munich-airport.de/en/consumer/aufenthalt\_trans/hotels/index.jsp

#### **Organisation**

This event will be jointly organised by the Forest-based Sector Technology Platform (FTP), the COST Office, the European Forest Institute (EFI), EFPRO and InnovaWood, with the local support of FTP Germany and PTS.

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