



# EFORWOOD CONFERENCE

## "The Forest-based Sector - Sustainability for Competitiveness"

1-2 October, 2007,

Huis Van Het Hout, Arsenaal, Brussels, Belgium

### CONFERENCE INVITATION

Sustainability is a very significant concern for all sectors in the European economy and is of enormous importance to the Forest-based sector.

Climate change, forest management related to biodiversity and natural disturbances, rural development, bio-energy, reduction of pollution, the role and financial position of forest owners, globalisation, technologies and consumer trends are just few of the issues facing our sector. The commitment of Europe to the goal of becoming the most competitive knowledge-based society in the world by 2010 (Lisbon Agenda) and the increasing support for the implementation of sustainability concepts in society are some additional factors that influence the sector.

EFORWOOD is a four-year project aimed at developing methodologies and tools that will, for the first time, integrate Sustainability Impact Assessment of the whole European Forestry-Wood Chain (FWC), by quantifying the performance of the FWC using indicators for all three pillars of sustainability - environmental, economic and societal. The project will provide methods to assess the sustainability impacts of modifications of Forestry-Wood Chains as influenced by policy changes, market drivers, or technological innovations.

On behalf the partners of the EFORWOOD project (<http://www.eforwood.com/>), it is my pleasure to invite you to attend the up-coming EFORWOOD Conference in Brussels, entitled **The Forest-based sector – Sustainability for Competitiveness**. The conference will take place on **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2007**. The conference is expected to attract a large number of international participants from the sector and beyond, including:

- Scientists and researchers from research organisations, universities and industry,
- Political decision makers from national and EU Parliaments,
- Industry decision makers from across the Forest-based sector
- Decision makers from EU Commission and related agencies,
- Decision makers from national and regional ministries and administrations

I look forward to your response and may I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely,

**Prof. Kaj Rosén**  
**Coordinator of the EFORWOOD project**

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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

### 1<sup>st</sup> October

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|---------------|---|---|
| 13.00 – 14.00 | Registration and poster viewing                                 |   |
| 14.00 – 14.15 | Welcome and introduction  | <b>Kaj Rosén</b><br>(Skogforsk)   |
| 14.15 – 14.45 | Opening Address:<br>The sustainability imperative               | <b>Catherine Guy-Quint</b><br>(European Parliament)<br><i>to be confirmed</i> |
| 14.45 – 15.15 | The forest-based sector –<br>sustainability for competitiveness | <b>Mikael Eliasson</b><br>(Setra Group)                                       |
| 15.15 – 15.50 | <i>COFFEE</i>   |   |
| 15.50 – 16.20 | The European bio-based economy – the<br>policy perspective      | <b>Pierre Mathy</b><br>(EU Commission)<br><i>to be confirmed</i>              |
| 16.20 – 16.50 | NGO perspective   | <b>Tamas Marghescu</b><br>(I.U.C.N.)  |
| 16.50 – 17.10 | EFORWOOD – just the beginning                                   | <b>Kaj Rosén</b><br>(Skogforsk)   |
| 17.10 – 17.30 | Conclusions Day 1   | Member of External Advisory<br>Panel  |
| 17.30 – 18.00 | Poster review session   |   |
| 18.00 – 19.30 | <i>Buffet DINNER</i>  |   |

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**Catherine Guy-Quint (MEP)** - French politician and Member of the European Parliament for central France

**Mikael Eliasson (Setra Group)** - Marketing Director of the Swedish Setra Group (Setra Group AB is Sweden's largest and Europe's third largest wood products company). Chairman of CEI-Bois.

**Pierre Mathy (EU)** - Head of Unit: Management of natural resources, DG Research, EU Commission.

**Tamas Marghescu (IUCN)** - The World Conservation Union Regional Director for Europe.



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> October

08.30 – 09.00	Registration and poster viewing	
09.00 – 09.25	Key goals of the EFORWOOD project	Kaj Rosén (Skogforsk)
09.25 – 10.10	Tool for Sustainability Impact Assessment (ToSIA)- Initial results from Single Chain cases	Marcus Lindner (EFI)
10.10 – 10.35	The use of scenarios in the EFORWOOD project	Gert-Jan Nabuurs (Alterra)
10.35 – 11.15	<i>COFFEE</i>	
11.15 – 11.40	Risk analysis in Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) of Forest Resource Management	Jean-Michel Carnus (INRA)
11.40 – 12.05	The structure of regional forestry-wood chains - case study Baden-Württemberg and its contribution to EFORWOOD	Gero Becker (ALUFR)
12.05 – 12.30	A market perspective on Forestry Wood Chain sustainability	Carl Olsmats (STFI-Packforsk)
12.30 – 13.40	<i>LUNCH</i>	
13.40 – 14.05	Update from another European SIA project (SENSOR)	<i>Speakers to be confirmed</i>
14.05 – 14.30	SIA – the use of indicators in EFORWOOD	Ewald Rametsteiner (BOKU)
14.30 – 14.55	Conclusions Day 2	Member of External Advisory Panel
15.00	<i>END OF CONFERENCE</i>	





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### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

#### REGISTRATION

**Registration form** to be sent via email or fax to Ms Brita Pajari, [brita.pajari@efi.int](mailto:brita.pajari@efi.int), +358 10 773 4377.  
(Registration form also available for download from [www.eforwood.com](http://www.eforwood.com))

Registration deadline: **7 SEPTEMBER 2007**

*This event is free of charge including conference meals (dinner day 1 and lunch day 2).*

#### LOCATION/VENUE

Huis Van Het Hout (Wood House),  
Arsenaal, Vrijwilligerslaan 2,  
1040 Brussels  
Belgium

#### TRANSPORT

**Tram** : 23 (Heysel — Lemonnier), 24 (Schaarbeek Station — Vanderkindere (Uccle / Ukkel))

For more information on transport in Brussels see <http://www.stib.irisnet.be>

#### ACCOMODATION

You can book your accommodation by:

##### **RESOTEL**

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1150 Brussels - Belgium

Tel. + 32 (0)2 779.39.39 - Fax + 32 (0)2 779 39 00 - [www.resotel.be/Ceibois](http://www.resotel.be/Ceibois)

If booking by phone or fax please refer to the EFORWOOD conference specifically.

### EFORWOOD IN A NUTSHELL

EFORWOOD is a four-year (November 2005-October 2009) integrated project, funded under the EU "Global change and ecosystems" research activity of the Sixth Framework Programme. The objective of EFORWOOD is to develop a decision support tool for Sustainability Impact Assessment of the European Forestry Wood Chain (FWC), **ToSIA**.

It will be first tool of this kind, that will address all three sustainability dimensions (environmental, economical and social). 38 organisations from 21 countries have combined their expertise and professional skills in a project that focuses on a very significant challenge for the sector.

#### PARTNERS

**AFOCEL** Association Forêt Cellulose (FR) • **AIDIMA** Furniture, Wood and Packaging Technology Institute (ES) • **Alterra** Alterra BV, Centre for Ecosystems Studies (NL) • **ALUFR** Institute of Forest Utilisation and Work Science, Albert Ludwigs University, Freiburg (DE) • **BFH** Federal Research Centre for Forestry and Forest Products (DE) • **BOKU** Dept. of Forest and Soil Sciences, Institute of Silviculture, University of Natural Resources and Applied Sciences, Vienna (AT) • **BRE** Building Research Establishment (UK) • **CA-TIE** Dept. Natural Resources, Tropical Agricultural Research and Higher Education Center (CR) • **CEI-Bois** -European Confederation of Woodworking Industries (BE) • **CEPF** Confédération Européenne des Propriétaires Forestiers (BE) • **CEPI** Confederation of European Paper Industries (BE) • **CIFOR** Center for International Forestry Research (ID) • **CIRAD** CIRAD, Forestry dept. (FR) • **CTFC** Centre Tecnologic Forestal de Catalunya (ES) • **EFI** European Forest Institute (FI) • **FR** Forestry Commission Research Agency (UK) • **FVA** Baden-Württemberg Forest Research Institute (DE) • **IBL** Dept. of Forest Management in Mountain Regions, Forest Research Institute (PL) • **IFE-MUAF** Institute of Forest Ecology, Faculty of Forest and Wood Technology, Mendel University of Agriculture and Forestry (CZ) • **IFER** Institute of Forest Ecosystem Research (CZ) • **IW** InnovaWood Ltd. (IE) • **INRA** Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (FR) • **ISA** Instituto Superior de Agronomia (PT) • **Pöyry** Pöyry Forest Industry Consulting Oy, (FI) • **KCL** Oy Keskuslaboratorio Centrallaboratorium Ab (FI) • **KCPK** Kenniscentrum Papier en Karton (NL) • **UCPH** University of Copenhagen (DK) • **Savcor Indufor** Savcor Indufor OY (FI) • **SFI** Slovenian Forestry Institute (SI) • **SGGW** Dept. of Forest Utilisation, Faculty of Forestry, Warsaw Agricultural University (PL) • **SILAVA** Latvian State Forestry Research Institute (LV) • **Skogforsk** The Forestry Research Institute of Sweden (SE) • **SLU** Sveriges Lantbruksuniversitet (SE) • **STFI-Packforsk** STFI-Packforsk AB (SE) • **TUZVO** Faculty of Forestry, Technical University in Zvolen (SK) • **UMB** Dept. of Ecology and Natural Resource Management, The Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NO) • **UR2PI** Unité de Recherché sur la Productivité des Plantations Industrielles (CG) • **VTT** Technical Research Centre of Finland (FI)