

Web Seminar on Earth Observation for European Sustainable Forest Management

24th September 2020



Background

A European Commission Horizon 2020 Project REDDCopernicus (<https://www.reddcopernicus.info/>) has the main aim to implement a co-ordination and consolidation of the existing European Capacity for Earth Observation (EO) based Forest Monitoring with relevant Stakeholders. One of its key goals is to identify and then prioritise the main research topics for Earth Observation of Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) in Europe. The increasing prominence of Sustainable Forest Management in Europe affects the entire forestry sector including regulative bodies on EU and national level, private sector, non-governmental organizations and research community. Earth Observation has great potential to support Sustainable Forest Management monitoring activities.

Aim of the Seminar

The seminar will bring together Stakeholders of SFM to discuss the requirements, current activities, and the future potential of EO based SFM monitoring in Europe. Relevant actors from different Stakeholder groups will be invited. The seminar will provide the participants with an opportunity to share their views of European SFM monitoring and learn about the latest developments in the topic.

Agenda

The seminar will be held via MS Teams platform, from 9:00-16:00 CET on the 24th September 2020. The agenda includes four main sessions (listed below), with 18 presentations from leading experts initiating the discussion.

| Session | Topic |
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| Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) in Europe | Concepts and perspectives of SFM in Europe, Stakeholder views on current and future requirements |
| Government level activities on SFM monitoring | Ongoing European and government level activities in support of SFM monitoring |
| Private sector approaches for SFM monitoring | Requirements, standards and approaches for SFM monitoring and reporting in private sector companies |
| Research activities on SFM monitoring | Latest developments in Earth Observation research related to SFM monitoring |

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