



Project title: Strengthening of Skills and Infrastructure for Protection and Regeneration of Forests in Serbia

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PROJECT SUMMARY

Sustainable use of forest resources is very important for the national economy and rural communities in Serbia like. It requires well-trained specialists, consolidated management and efficient operation of available infrastructures. The objective of the project is to support sustainable use of forest resources by means of the training of forestry specialists and improvement of infrastructure for forest protection and regeneration. The associated objective is preparedness of Serbia for accession to the EU.

The project aimed at two areas critically important for sustainable forest management - Forest Protection and Forest Regeneration - with the emphasis on:

1. Human Resources Development (information, seminars and training),
2. Technical Capacity Building (equipment of the beneficiary institutions with hardware, software and information system), and

3. Development of Policy for Forest Protection and Regeneration compliant with domestic needs and international standards.

The project purpose is the institutional, capacity and infrastructural strengthening of forestry in Serbia with the focus on:

- A) Improvement in forest protection,
- B) Improved quality of forest reproductive materials,
- C) Fulfillment of the local needs and compliance with international schemes, particularly of the OECD and EU.

ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS OF THE PROJECT

Reinforcement of Information on Forest Damage and Protection System including:

- A1) Database of Forest Damage and Protection.
- A2) Delivered Hardware and Database system of Forest Damage and Forest Protection .
- A3) Statutes and Work Manual of Forest Protection Service
- A4) (a) 2 seminar were organized as a part of the Instructory and Final Conference with participation of the project partners and specialists from the forestry practice.
(b) altogether 5 specialists received either on-the-job training or participated in the international conferences, workshops and meetings with the support from the project.
- A5) Country-wide inventory of forest damage & forest protection measures follow harmonized methodology developed in the framework of the project.

Reinforcement System for Forest Reproductive Material including:

- B1) Information System for the Control of Forest Reproductive Materials.
- B2) Delivered Hardware and Information system for Forest Reproductive Material.
- B3) Assistance provided towards the establishment of National Register of Basic Materials.
- B4) (a) 2 seminar were organized as a part of the Instructory and Final Conference with participation of the project partners and specialists from the forestry practice.
(b) altogether 5 specialists received either on-the-job training or participated in the international conferences, workshops and meetings with the support from the project.
- B5) Approval of basic materials and control of forest reproductive material pursues the OECD and EU standards in Serbia.

Policy for Forest Protection and Regeneration:

Policy has been proposed for forest protection and regeneration, which identifies the current state, needs and ways to satisfy them in Serbia.