



EFICEEC News

This is the EFICEEC News, an electronic newsletter devoted to the EFICEEC network. The intent is to provide update information every second month and call attention to our latest news and accom-

plishments. EFICEEC News will be distributed via email as well as posted at the EFICEEC website:

<http://www.eficeec.efi.int>

Ms Laura Bourdon started as an intern at the EFICEEC

EFICEEC has a new internship. Ms Laura Bourdon, a French master student from ISARA-Lyon (Graduate School of Agriculture, Environmental Studies and Food Sciences), joined the EFICEEC team in JUN 2011. She will be with the team until SEP 2011. Her main task is to research agroforestry and the environmental and economical provisions it produces for the society. The main question of her research is how sustainable agroforestry can be made to support biological diversity. At the end of her internship period, she will write a scientific article on the topic.



EFICEEC at Science for Carpathians (S4C) meeting in Bratislava, May 26-27, 2011

Bernhard Wolfslehner was invited to the Scientific Steering Committee Meeting of S4C in the wake of COP3 of the Carpathian Convention. S4C is a scientific network that is to implement the Research Agenda for the Carpathians, e.g. by means of the annual Forum Carpathicum. In the meeting, syner-

gies between S4C and EFICEEC were identified and it was discussed how to link the networks and its communications means. Formal modalities of cooperation will be decided in the coming months.

<http://mri.scnatweb.ch/mri-europe/carpathians/>

Co-operations with FAO on track

Seeking synergies with relevant initiatives and networks, future co-operations with FAO have been set on fertile ground in 2011. After establishing a stable mode of communication with FAO Regional Office in Budapest, a study on Forest Owner Associations and Cooperatives in selected CEE countries has been launched by FAO HQ and will be conducted by EFICEEC and its partners. The study

shall be finalised by OCT 2011, and shall give insights into potentials and barriers of FOAs and FOCs in CEE. Further collaboration with FAO and CEPF on this topic is highly envisaged.

As well, Bernhard Wolfslehner participated in the FAO Expert Consultation on Climate Change Guidelines for Forest Managers in Kathmandu,





Nepal, JUN 22-23, 2011. The goal is to identify generic guidelines that can be adapted on national

and regional level to tackle climate change effects on practical level.

UNECE/FAO meeting in Geneva JUL 4-5, 2011

EFICEEC was present at the high level UNECE/FAO meeting, organized by UNECE, in Geneva July 3-5. During the two day workshop, a group of experts assembled to discuss issues linked to payments for different ecosystem services (PES). The workshop intended to help governments and stakeholders share experiences and understand which policies and incentives have been and could be most effective in implementing PES schemes. With a focus on forest and water related ecosystem services, the workshop participants discussed how the contribution to PES

schemes can facilitate the transition towards a green economy.

The outcome of this workshop will feed into an Action Plan on Forests and the Green Economy which will be discussed at the joint session of the UNECE Timber Committee and FAO European Forestry Commission on OCT 10-14, 2011 in Antalya, Turkey and presented as a sectoral contribution at the Rio+20 summit in 2012.

<http://live.unece.org/forests/output/meeting/pes.htm>
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EFI: Marc Palahí appointed as Assistant Director in Policy Advice

Dr. Marc Palahí has been appointed as acting Assistant Director in Policy Advice in EFI. Dr. Palahí started his initial two-year term on JUL 1, 2011. His post-station is in the EFI policy advice office to be established this summer in Barcelona. In this new post in the EFI, he will be responsible for coordinating policy advice activities throughout the institute,

help establishing the policy advice office in Barcelona and establishing and starting new policy advice activities and funding. He also continues his work as Head of EFI's Mediterranean Regional Office, EFIMED

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Upcoming Meetings and Conferences

- Summer School: REDD+, Industrial Forestry and Food Security: Designs for Climate Change Mitigation in Helsinki, Finland, AUG 09 – 25, 2011
- Northern ToSIA Final Conference, Finnish Lapland, Rovaniemi, AUG 18 – 19, 2011
- Foresight on Future Demand for Forest-based Products and Services: Dissemination Conference, Poland, SEP 13, 2011
- Act Now! Forests for Future - ENO Conference, Joensuu, Finland, SEP 15-16, 2011
- Forests Indonesia conference: Alternative futures to meet demands for food, fibre, fuel and REDD+, Jakarta, Indonesia, SEP 27, 2011
- EFI 2011 Annual Conference in Uppsala, Sweden, SEP 28 – 30, 2011



Happy holidays!

