

# New Version of the FutMon database and procedures for data submission

FutMon administrative meeting

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### **General remarks:**

- -The whole system has to be completely newly build up!
- Within three months!
- No reinvention of the wheel!
- => We tried to design a system all partners are accustomed to!







#### **Forest Monitoring Database: stage of affairs**

### Intensive monitoring plot data





## Data submission and validation:

- <u>Similar</u> to the well established System of online data submission at the <u>JRC</u>.
- Web- based <u>online</u> data submission.
- Use of <u>fixed</u> formats.
- Different <u>levels</u> of data validation.
- Validation results will be documented in specific <u>reports</u>.
- Values could trigger validation messages (warnings and errors).
- <u>Warnings</u> have to be checked => confirmation or correction.
- <u>Errors</u> have to be corrected.
- Only validated data will be loaded into the <u>final</u> stage of the DB.





**Data Validation** 

**Principle:** 

No identification of the <u>correctness</u> of data, but it may be possible to identify the <u>probability</u> that data represent valid measurements.





### **1. Compliance tests:**

- automatic processes based on defined rules derived from the format of the forms of the manual.

- System generates a Compliance report in real time.

- only compliant data will reach the next validation tests.

- not compliant data have to be resubmitted.





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### 2. Uniformity tests:

- validate the plausibility of data.
- Interpretation of maps and graphs depicting selected variables:
- a) spatial distribution
- b) temporal development (change on a plot in comparison to the last previous years)
- Experts interpret maps and graphs and contact, if necessary Partner
- only conform and uniform data will be loaded into the <u>final</u> <u>database</u>.





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### **Time schedule**

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Intensive Monitoring (Level II/IM1/D1-D3 plots) 2007 Data submission: **15/12/2009 – 15/03/2010** 2007 Final data validation and reporting: 16/03/2010 – 14/04/2010 2008 Data submission: 15/04/2010 – 15/07/2010 2008 Final data validation and reporting: 16/07/2010 – 31/08/2010 2009 Data submission: 01/09/2010 – 30/11/2010 2009 Final data validation and reporting: 01/12/2010 – 31/12/2010



### Data Submission status (15th Feb 2010):

2009 Level I Data:

PARTNER	Compliance	Conformity	
Andorra			
BE_Flanders			
Croatia			
Denmark			
Estonia			
Finland			
France			
Germany			
Italy			
Latvia			
Netherlands			
Norway			
Poland			
Romania			
Russia			
Serbia			
Slovak_Repub			
Slovenia			
Spain			
Sweden			
Switzerland			
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# Data Submission status (15th Feb 2010): 2007 Level II Data

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DE_BY													
DE_SH													
DE_SL													
DE_SN													
DE_TH													
Denmark													
Estonia													
Finland													
Hungary													
Ireland													
Italy													
Latvia													
Norway													
Poland													
Romania													
Russia													
Slovak Rep.													
Slovenia													
Spain													
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Not compliant	1	4	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	
Not conform	1	4	4	3	0	10	1	0	0	0	1	1	
Conform	11	6	( 10	) 3	1	6	8	2	2	2	5	1	



### Thanks for your attention!







# • Work with the FutMon Forms Documents

- Latest verions available at:
- www.futmon.org/submission.htm
- Shortcuts:
- To find a specific information use
  [Strg] + F
- To use a link to a specific chapter from the content [Strg] + [Mouse click]
- To go back to last position use
  [Alt] + [←]







from 2009







extended data model for D2-surveys:





### **1. Compliance tests:**

precondition: a) completeness of forms (reduced plot file and data file)
 b) right name and extension (152007.PLD = FI DP 2007)
 validate the format of the data.

- Are all digits between the defined fields in the submission files blank space characters (right positions of digits/Length of field entry)?

- Do all data which are submitted within the submitted files have the correct <u>format</u>? (defined in the forms document; integer, character, date...)

- Comment lines (Starts with exclamation mark)
- Are all used codes valid? (Must be listed in the respective reference tables)







### 2. Conformity tests:

- a) Range tests for single Parameters
- checks parameter specific range of observation values
- Schema:
  - IF NOT <Form>.<Field\_value> BETWEEN <Minimum, maximum> THEN Error\_code

Example:

if pH in DEM NOT BETWEEN 2.5 and 9.4 THEN "Warning" if pH in DEM NOT BETWEEN 0.1 and 14 THEN "Error" \_\_\_\_

- checks if coordinates for a participating country are within a defined rectangle which fits closely to the boundaries.
- ca. 250 checks





### 2. Conformity tests:

- b) <u>Multiple parameter tests:</u>
- check the consistency of a parameter with values of other parameters => cross-checks!
- SELECT .... WHERE queries
- Example: Crown Condition:
- SELECT Disc = 4 WHERE Defol <> 100 THEN "ERROR"
- => Tree with Discolouration = 4 = dead; must not have any leaves anymore, => no defoliation value!
- ca. 215 checks







### 2. Conformity tests:

- c) <u>Time consistency tests:</u>
- Comparison of the values of the monitoring year with values for the same parameter and plot in former years
- <u>invariable</u> values must not change over time
- Example: Plot coordinates, Tree species => ERROR
- for <u>variable</u> values an expected change in a certain direction or by a particular amount is defined.
- Example: diameter at breast height must not be smaller than at previous observation => WARNING
- ca. 135 checks







### 2. Uniformity tests:

#### **Example for**

b) temporal development (change on a plot in comparison to the last previous years)

