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February 18th 2010, Tampere, Finland

Organised within the Combined FutMon/ICP Forests Expert Meeting



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Objective of the meeting

summarize the status of ICP-Forests manual revisions, plan next steps in view of the harmonization and integration of monitoring manuals and of the Task Force meeting and FutMon Status Workshop 2010



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Provisional agenda

- 13.30 13.35 Opening of the meeting (M. Ferretti, N. König)
- 13.35 16.20 Presentation (<u>10 min each strictly</u>) by individual chairpersons.about:
 (i) status of revision for the concerned Part;
 (ii) main problems encountered;
 (iii) plans to solve them.
- 16.20 16.30 Closing of the meeting (M. Ferretti, N. König)



Implementation: next steps

(as agreed at vTI in Hamburg, December 8, 2009)

- > 10th Jan 2010: Ferretti to prepare and send the ✓ Done on 14 Jan 2010 detailed guidelines for revision to EPs. > 5th (latest 10th) Feb: EP chairs to prepare and send √77% EP Parts (59% all) draft manuals (v1 r0) to PCC. \succ 5th (latest 10th) Feb: PCC to post drafts on the web. \checkmark Done accordingly > 15 Feb: Tampere meeting > By 27 Feb: EP chairs to collect comments Second revision > By 15th March: EP chairs prepare updated final draft (v1 r1) > By 15th March: updated version posted on the web > By 12th April: NFCs to comments to PCC > By 19th April: PCC and Ferretti to edit comments and send to EP Chairs. Third revision By 1st May: EP Chairs to prepare updated draft (v1) r2).
- 1st June: Task Force



Main issues emerged (to be addressed)

- Procedure for Manual revision(s)
- Mandatory/optional?
- Level I? Level II? Large-scale? IM? Core plots?
- Links among manuals and meeting among EP chairs
- Integration of Forest Biota and BioSoil?
- Plot design?
- Data Quality Requirements?
- List of parameters?
- Citation policy (Manual, Parts, data,...)
- Quality in the field (for labs investigation and for field-based

investigations)



Future for the QA-C

- ➤ Mandate will finish by 2010
- Request for a new mandate from the Task Force?
- Proposal by chairpersons to the group members will come soon

