



The Global Plan of Action for the Conservation, Sustainable Use and Development of Forest Genetic Resources and its implementation in Europe

*Room Riekko, Hotel Santa Claus, Rovaniemi, Finland
Tuesday 10 December 2013, 16:00-17:30*

The Global Plan of Action for forest genetic resources, adopted by the FAO Conference in June 2013, identifies strategic priorities at the national, regional and global levels for strengthening the conservation and use of genetic resources as part of sustainable forest management. The side event will present examples of ongoing work on forest genetic resources at the pan-European and national levels, and discuss how these activities contribute to the implementation of the Global Plan of Action in Europe.

Programme:

- 16:00-16:20** Introduction to the Global Plan of Action - *Oudara Souvannavong, FAO*
- 16:20-16:40** Pan-European collaboration on forest genetic resources - *Jarkko Koskela, Bioversity International*
- 16:40-17:00** Conservation of forest genetic resources in Finland - *Mari Rusanen, Finnish Forest Research Institute*
- 17:00-17:30** Discussion & Conclusions

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