

# POLICIES FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT IN EUROPE

POLITISCHE HERAUSFORDERUNGEN FÜR  
MODERNEN WALDBAU IN EUROPA

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# Forest and forest-related policies in Europe



Policy		Status and options for SFM			
		Conflicts	Strength	Cooperation	Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)
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	Forest-related policies	++	+	?	?
EU	Forest policy	-	-	?	?
	Forest related policies	+	+	?	?
International	Forest regime complex	-	-	?	?

# National forest policies: stable but diverse forests



**Next 100 years:**

- ❑ **Positive growth even in case of temperature increase**
- ❑ **High diversity of forests, based on SFM tradition**

# National forest policy: forest owners as driving forces



- ❑ **Alternative scenarios of SFM**  
(+- Timber, +-Biodiversity, +- Recreation)
  
- ❑ **Legaly-based decision of public and private owners**
  
- **Public and private forest owners as drivers of SFM**

# National forest-related policies: Disturbances by ecological bias



- ❑ **Ecological priority increases probability for biotic and abiotic disturbances (beetle, storm and fire)**
- ❑ **Public discourse is not aware of these disturbances**
- **SFM prevents disturbances by ecological bias**

# EU forest policy: Subsidiarity and national expertise



- ❑ Engagement of private and state actors does not indicate striving towards comprehensive EU regulation of SFM
- ❑ High potential of national research institutions for handling specific SFM problems
- **Unfolding EU forest policy potentials by mobilized subsidiarity and networking of national research expertise**

# EU forest-related policies: Limits by SFM



- ❑ Policies aiming to maximise CO2 sequestration, bioenergy and biodiversity are threatening to bounce SFM
  
- ❑ Enlarging protected areas could increase timber imports
  
- **SFM needs limits for EU to prevent passing on economic and ecological problems to the forests**

# International forest regime complex: Customizing for SFM



- ❑ **Mostly symbolic „global face“ of international forest regime complex (UNFF, UN-CBD, UN-FCCC)**
  
- ❑ **Options of support by international discourses and actors**
  
- **Professional customizing of international forest regimes for national SFM**



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# **Your questions on Sustainable Forest Management in Europe?**

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