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Extrabudgetary project

**Strengthening communication on the role of Sustainable Forest Management
in the UNECE member States
in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

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TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

Project title: Strengthening communication on the role of Sustainable Forest Management in the UNECE member States in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development		
Expected timing/ duration: July 2019 - July 2021		
Objective and brief summary of the project: The objective of the project is to raise awareness of the UNECE member States on sustainable forest management and monitoring. The project will focus on raising awareness on sustainable forest management (SFM), boreal forests and forest monitoring through communication within and outside the forest sector. This will strengthen the capacity of the UNECE Committee on Forests and Forest Industry (COFFI) to reach out to relevant constituencies, to draw attention to the regional priorities in the forest sector and to increase the dissemination of the information and tools produced, at national, regional and global levels. The objective of the project will be achieved by implementing the following activities: A1.1. Preparation of brochures, posters and promotional materials on SFM and SDGs; A1.2. Organisation of public relations events on work of the UNECE Committee on Forests and Forest Industry, including the European Forest Week, the International Day of Forests 2020 and 2021, side events (e.g. RFSD, HLPF, UNFF).		
Expected results of the project: EA1. Raised awareness of the work of the UNECE Committee on Forests and Forest Industry among national and international stakeholders in the UNECE region.		
Target group and beneficiaries of the project: Beneficiary countries are UNECE member States. Target audience will include senior government officials from relevant ministries (e.g. agriculture, environment), national experts, representatives of the private sector, civil society, academia and the public at large.		
Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work: The project is directly linked to the expected accomplishment (a) "Improved monitoring and assessment of the forest sector to support sustainable forest management" and (b) "Increased national capacity of countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, Central Asia and South-East Europe in sustainable forest management" to of the Subprogramme 7 "Forestry and timber" of the UNECE strategic framework for 2018-2019 and the objective of the Subprogramme 7 "Forestry and timber" "to strengthen sustainable management of forests and enhance the contribution of forests and forest products to sustainable development in the ECE region" of the UNECE proposed programme budget for 2020. The project contributes to the implementation of the Warsaw Integrated Programme of Work, Work Area 3: Communication and outreach (ECE/TIM/2017/2). The 2018-2021 Warsaw Integrated Programme of Work on Forests of UNECE and FAO, adopted in Warsaw in October 2017 (para 14, ECE/TIM/2017/2), requested the Forestry and Timber Section to enhance communication, outreach and dissemination of information to the UNECE member States.		
Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff): 1 months of the RB/P5		
Estimated extra budgetary resources:		
Donor	Amount (US\$)	
Russian Federation	103,000	
Project Manager: Paola Deda 20.06.2019	Section/Division: UNECE-FAO Forestry and Timber Section/ Forests, Land and Housing Division	
Cleared by Programme Management Unit: Catherine Haswell Chief 20.06.2019	Approved by EXCOM¹	08.07.2019

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex
Results-based budget for the extra-budgetary project

Expected Accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (US\$)
EA1. Raised awareness of the work of the UNECE Committee on Forests and Forest Industry among national and international stakeholders in the UNECE region.	A1.1. Preparation of brochures, posters and promotional materials on SFM and SDGs; 1 temporary staff (P2) to draft materials 2 months x 11,000\$	22,000 22,000
	A1.2. Organisation of public relations events on work of the UNECE Committee on Forests and Forest Industry, including the European Forest Week, the International Day of Forests 2020 and 2021, side events. 1 temporary staff (P2) to support organization public relation events, 2 months x 11,000\$ Travel of experts x 3 missions x 2,500\$ Travel of staff to public relation events x 5 missions x 2,500\$ Contractual services for organisation of events (interpretation, venue etc), 3 events x 9,000\$	69,000 22,000 7,500 12,500 27,000
	Budget summary	91,000
13% of Programme Support Costs		11,830
Total (rounded)		103,000