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#### Matters relating to the Committee on Forests

#### and the Forest Industry:

#### decisions on matters relating to the Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry

## Decisions relating to the Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry

### *Background*

1. The Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry held its seventy-seventh session from 4 to 7 November 2019. The report of the session is contained in document ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2.
2. As part of its deliberations, the Committee adopted the programme of work of the Forests and Forest Industry Subprogramme for 2020, as contained in document ECE/TIM/2019/12-FO:EFC/2019/12. Further, it endorsed the list of activities for 2020 as contained in annex III of document ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2, as well as the proposed publications planned for 2020 and 2021, as contained in annex IV.
3. The Committee also endorsed:
  - (a) The establishment of a Team of Specialists on Boreal Forests for the period 2020–2021, and its terms of reference, as contained in annex II of ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2;
  - (b) The revised terms of reference of the Team of Specialists on Forest Sector Outlook, as contained in annex II of ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2 and a renewal of its mandate for the period 2020–2021;
  - (c) The renewal of the mandate for the period 2020–2021 of the following Teams of Specialists, as contained in document ECE/TIM/2017/2-FO:EFC/2017/2:
    - (i) Team of Specialists on Monitoring Sustainable Forest Management (SFM);
    - (ii) Team of Specialists on Sustainable Forest Products;

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- (iii) Team of Specialists on Forest Products Statistics;
  - (iv) Team of Specialists on Wood Energy;
  - (v) Team of Specialists on Forest Communication - Forest Communicators' Network;
  - (vi) Team of Specialists on Green Jobs - Joint ILO/ECE/FAO Expert Network;
4. The Executive Committee is invited to approve the above decisions.

***Draft Decision***

5. The Executive Committee hereby approves the:
- (a) Programme of work of the Forests and Forest Industry Subprogramme for 2020, as contained in document ECE/TIM/2019/12-FO:EFC/2019/12;
  - (b) Activities for 2020, as contained in annex III of document ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2, as well as the proposed publications planned for 2020 and 2021, as contained in Annex IV;
  - (c) Establishment and terms of reference of a new Team of Specialists on Boreal Forests, as contained in Annex II of ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2;
  - (d) Revised terms of reference of the Team of Specialists on Forest Sector Outlooks, contained in annex II of ECE/TIM/2019/2-FO:EFC/2019/2;
  - (e) Extension of mandate for the period 2020–2021 of the following Teams of Specialists, as contained in document ECE/TIM/2017/2-FO:EFC/2017/2:
    - (i) Team of Specialists on Monitoring Sustainable Forest Management (SFM);
    - (ii) Team of Specialists on Sustainable Forest Products;
    - (iii) Team of Specialists on Forest Products Statistics;
    - (iv) Team of Specialists on Wood Energy;
    - (v) Team of Specialists on Forest Communication - Forest Communicators' Network;
    - (vi) Team of Specialists on Green Jobs - Joint ILO/ECE/FAO Expert Network.

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