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Environmental Performance Reviews

What is an EPR?

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- Review of progress made by the country in improving environmental policy
 - Voluntary exercise
 - Comprehensive approach
 - Done by experts from UNECE Member States and international organizations
 - Strong involvement of the country under review
- Recommendations
 - Addressed to the country under review
 - Agreed by all UNECE Member States
 - The country commits to implementation

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Cycles

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- First cycle 1994 – 2004 (2011) 20 countries
- Second cycle 2000-2013 18 countries
- Third cycle 2012 – ongoing
- Beyond UNECE Morocco (2012, 2021) Mongolia (2017)



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Structure of a chapter on “Forestry and environment”

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- Description of the current situation
- Pressures from forestry on
- Impact from and adaptation to climate change
- Legal, policy and institutional framework
- Participation in international agreements and processes
- Assessment, conclusions and recommendation

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EPR-Forestry relevant SDG targets

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2.5



6.6



15.1, 15.2, 15.4

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Cooperation with other programmes

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- Expertise
- Review of recommendations
- Input provided by the Joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section in order to ensure consistency:
 - Forest resources (FRA data)
 - Wood harvesting (JFSQ data)
 - Wood energy (UNECE/FAO JWEE data and FAO WISDOM data)
 - Forest products production and trade (JFSQ)
 - Contribution of the forest sector to national economy (FAO study)
 - INForest



Thank you!



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