



XXI UEF Governing Council Meeting Cosenza Italia

***UEF Meetings and Projects
September 2017 – September 2018***

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1. *UEF Meetings – PM and RTM*

1.1 Presidency meetings

28 to 29 November 2017 Vienna

- Schedule the UEF action Plan adopted during our last Congress in Mainz;
- Plan the following internal and external meetings, projects and activities.





1.1 Presidency meetings

15-17 April 2018, Białowieża, Poland

Friendly and interesting meeting in the General Directorate of the State Forest (**Lasy Państwowe**) in Warszawa;

PM were welcomed by prof. Tomasz Zawiła-Niedźwiedzki, Deputy General Director of SF and prof. Piotr Paschalis-Jakubowicz, President of SITLiD.

Main topic was the **Białowieża forest**, with a focus on the sustainable forest management done by the State Forest organization.

Presidency members were able to visit Białowieża forest and to meet foresters managing the area.

Presidency meeting:

- overview of the topics on progress,
- a planning of the coming meetings and actions,
- the preparation of the Governing Council Meeting in Italy in September
- other internal matters.



1.2 RTM, Brussels, European Forestry House

- Planned for **26th November 2018**;
- **Organized by:** UEF, FECOF and EUSTAFOR;
- Main topic **“The role of Forestry in the EU Forest Strategy and other interdisciplinary initiatives“**;
 - *The mid-term review of the EU Forest Strategy*;
 - *Preliminary results of the Study on the mid-term review of the EU Forest Strategy*
- **Participants:** key stakeholders and policy makers;
- **Invited for presentations and planned interventions:**
 - representatives of DG AGRI, EFI;
 - Mr Ossi Martikainen (ALDE, FI);
 - Mrs Jytte Guteland (Sweden, S&D), MEP in COM/ENVI, co-chair of SFM intergroup;
 - Mrs Henna Virkkunen (Finland, EPP), MEP in COM/ITRE
 - Mr Nils Torvalds (Finland, ALDE), MEP in COM/ENVI.



II. UEF projects

2.1. Workshop on Forest Pedagogy

Organized in cooperation between UEF, UBF and the Bulgarian MAF

Second level workshop on FP - 9-12 October 2017

Lecturers:

Thomas Baschny and Wolfgang Schweighofer
(Austria)

Georg Sprung (Germany)

Objectives:

Upgrade their knowledge; learn how to work with kids with special needs;

Exchange knowledge and experience, present and discuss their achievements and problems.





The follow up of this successful cooperation:

* Third Level “Master class on Forest Pedagogy”, Vienna, 2-5 may 2018 - 10 participants.

* Four regional workshops in Bulgaria 2017 and 2018 - first level on FP (more than 100 participants)





2.2. UEF International Forestry Work camp for forest students in Poland



A bit of history: 2006: UEF became a cooperation-partner;

Since 2007: supported by UEF;

Since the beginning: participants from more than 37 different countries;

Main Goal: to teach the students about forestry, to get practical knowledge about forestry, game management and nature protection.



2.2. UEF Forestry Students Camp

09-20 July 2018 – Antonin Forest District, Poland;

In cooperation between: The Union of European Foresters (**UEF**), The Polish State National Forest Holding (**PGL LP**) and the Polish Association of Foresters and Wood Technologists (**SITLiD**),

Students from 14 countries: Canada, England (UK), Czech Republic, Macedonia, Estonia, Italy, Lithuania, Wales (UK), Poland, Croatia, Greece, South Sudan, Spain and Denmark.

Students discovered the Polish forestry and learnt about:

- protection against fires;
- Breeding programs;
- Game management;

Exchanged knowledge and opinions about the forestry in participants' countries.





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- *UEF web-site and*
- *is published in our Newsletters*

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