



TEAMING UP 4 FORESTS

A forest science and
business platform

Presentation on
engaging new partners



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is a **science-business platform** addressing key challenges for the **sustainable provision of wood-based products** to meet societal demands and thereby supporting the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

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2017

Science-Business
Dialogue, IUFRO 125th
Anniversary, Freiburg,
Germany

2018
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2020

Constant exchange,
discussions and
meetings (e.g., Think
Tank in Vienna 2019;
Science-Business
Dialogue, IUFRO
World Congress 2019)

2021

The platform was
initiated and officially
launched by IUFRO
and Mondi Group

2023

The platform aims to
scale up globally and
include new partners

Through structured collaboration and a defined work programme, TEAMING UP 4 FORESTS

- ...translates **globally available scientific findings into practical response options** for the wood-based sector;
- ...offers a meeting point for **regular interaction, knowledge exchange and mutual learning** among scientists and leading actors of the forest value chain; and
- ...actively **shares outcomes and facilitates discussions with relevant stakeholders** and decision-makers on the future of forest goods and services.

Principles



Scientific credibility



Sustainability



Value



Independence



**Transparency and
inclusiveness**

Achievements

Since 2021, we have established a professional network of **100+ scientists, business representatives, and policymakers** along the entire **forest value chain**. Our activities included:

- three '**Think Tank**' meetings (10/2021, 11/2022, 06/2023) and a '**Stakeholder Dialogue**' (06/2022) with over 100 participants in total;
- a **field visit** to the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Wienerwald;
- a **webinar** on climate change impacts on forests with young scientists and business professionals.
- regular **communication and outreach** to science and forestry networks and positioning 'TEAMING UP 4 FORESTS' through an own website, events and social media (LinkedIn).





Why new partners?

- Expand the geographical scope from pan-European to global level;
- Further develop the structured meeting point for companies and research leaders (policy decision makers and other stakeholders);
- Increase the capacity of the platform to address pressing challenges for the forest-based sector and the future supply of forest goods and services;
- Scale up impact of the platform on decision-making in the private sector and in the policy arena, and;
- Increase outreach by informing relevant business, policy and stakeholder processes and therewith increase the legitimacy of the platform.

What's next

We are currently finalizing an **interdisciplinary synthesis study** (8 scientific authors from different research organizations contributing) on the **future supply of goods and services from European forests**.

We aim to address a wide range of relevant factors beyond biological production, describe scenarios for the future of the forest-based sector and identify response options for policy makers, the private sector and other stakeholders.



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Challenges

TEAMING UP 4 FORESTS focuses on critical factors for the **production and provision of wood-based products**, including:

- The impact of **climate change on forests**;
- the need to **balance wood production** and **biodiversity protection**;
- and the need to address **socio-economic challenges** such as increasingly fragmented forest-related policies, demographic developments, changes in forest ownership, as well as forest-based innovations, emerging products, and market trends.

The platform aims to make a substantial contribution to addressing current challenges with a **defined work programme**, while remaining open to engage on new and emerging challenges and trends.

Meet and connect
(scientists, industry, policy makers, forest owners, and other stakeholders)

Get informed and identify practical solutions
(Think Tanks, studies, webinars)



Your benefits as a partner

Inform and share
(share your expertise, science-based voice in decision making processes)

Position your company in creating impact
(be recognized for your engagement on sustainability topics)

Become a partner



Your contribution as a partner

- Participate in **Steering Group meetings**
- Engage on the further **implementation of the work programme** and participate in the platform's **activities**
- **Support communications** with your own corporate channels in line with platform's corporate identity



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