



PROGRAMUL DE COOPERARE ELVEȚIANO-ROMÂN
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**Project title: “STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITIES OF FOREST OWNERS
ASSOCIATIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT”**

Activity 3.1.1 – Setting up a group of experts

- Inception workshop report –

“Mapping of representative stakeholder groups and organizations from Romania”

Suceava, February 3rd, 2015

According to the project application document, the inception workshop was organized by “Stefan cel Mare” University of Suceava.

Mr. Marian Dragoi – introduction (what is the project mission, purpose of the workshop). M. Dragoi stated that the purpose of the meeting is to map the most representative stakeholder groups and organizations to establish a working group in order to draft the Romanian national PEFC standards.

Participants:

Marian Dragoi – Suceava University (technical part of the project) working with Nostra Silva for 10 years

Liviu Nichiforel – Suceava University

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The role of the moderator was taken by Istvan Toke. He said that a large and wide range of stakeholders should participate in discussions, strengthening once again the importance of having consensus.

It is presented the example of Germany. Here standards are revised to 5 years.

Representatives of various types of ownership (state, private, councils, wood and paper industry, trade representatives in these products, environmental NGOs, confederations, unions, agricultural chambers, tourism associations, individuals, etc.)

To consider whether persons / entities included in the working group have knowledge of attempts to achieve PEFC in Romania.

To consider the representativeness of organizations invited to working group.

It is discussed how to set up the working group and how much involvement each segment should have. The working group should have also an advisory "area". Clearly there are state and private ownership (which will be divided). Marius Dragan (freelancer on forest certifications) says there are two categories of traders to be included in WG (those who take possession of the timber and wood based products and those who don't).





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According to the model proposed by Mr. Toke, there are 8 categories in the WG:

a. Owners

- State - Romsilva, Ministry of Justice (to be considered)
- Private
 - Nostra Silva
 - Pro Forest
 - APAPET

b. Timber, Pulp and Paper Trade Unions

- ASFOR
- APM (Furniture Manufacturers Association)
- Trade entities
- ROMPAP (the patronage of pulp and paper industry)
- Bricostore
- Common Patronal Confederation - CONPIROM

c. Environmental NGO's

- Environmental Coalition (including WWF)
- Natura 2000 Coalition

d. Unions / Syndicates

- FSLIL (the Federation of Free Trade Unions of the wood industry),
- Consilva,
- Major Retailers Association

e. Other representatives of Forestry

- "ProgresulSilvic" Society,
- Federation for the Protection of Forests

f. User groups

- LAG's through the National Federation of Local Action Groups – FENEGAL
- Association of Communes of Romania,
- Association of Cities of Romania,
- National Union of County Councils

g. Forest service enterprises

- AAP –Forest Administrators Association
- ROMSILVA – NFS National state forest administrator

h. Research and education

- ICAS
- Universities
- ASAS
- Romanian Academy





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