

## 4<sup>th</sup> PROJECT PARTNER MEETING

### Day 1

A fourth Project Partner Meeting (PPM) was held on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of October in Bled, Slovenia, organised by Slovenia Forest Service in cooperation with Slovenia Forest Institute. First day of the meeting was dedicated to overview project activities in the last reporting period (from 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2013 to 30<sup>th</sup> of September).

A representative of a leading partner of the project first informed gathered participants about the activities regarding Joint Technical Secretariat (JTS). Secondly, future and expected activities, regarding the Project management and Information and Publicity of the project, were roughly set out.



After the introduction, leading partners of each working package made an overview, also the presentations of achieved results were done. In the late afternoon internal seminars followed, for each working package with aim to optimise management and coordination of set activities on the project NewFor.

### Day 2

First half of the second day of the PPM was reserved for the field trip to the one of Slovenia's Pilot Area, named Begunjščica, which lies approximately 15 km in North direction from Bled. Field trip consisted from four presentation points.



Slovenia Forest Service and its organization from national to local level was presented on the first presentation point.

Quick overview was made regarding structure of the forest management planning in Slovenia. The general presentation of the Pilot followed, with the specialities of proprietary structure in the region.



The second presentation point was a past working site, where skidding of timber was carried out with cable crane. Presented were the types of mechanization currently used in Slovenia's forests, organisational structure of planning and supervising carried out works and specialities in the Pilot area and also in wider region.

Methods of the forest inventory with the structure of permanent sample plots, in relation to the LiDAR data, were presented in the third point.



Last presentation point covered the theme about the forest communications in Slovenia, with associated legislation. Also the Records of forest roads (best practice example) were presented, how the maintenance works on the forest roads are done and the necessary steps for constructing of the skidding trail were described.



In the afternoon short internal seminars for each work package were carried out, which was also the conclusion of the PPM4.