

Online workshop with virtual field tours in North and Eastern Europe and northeastern America

**Dialogue on governance to develop sustainable forest landscapes  
for production of wood for energy and the bioeconomy**

Program, Wednesday, 13 October 2021, 14.00-18.00 Eastern European Summer Time (EEST)

**Verification of compliance with sustainability requirements for forest  
management and bioenergy**

14.00-14.05	Inge Stupak	Welcome and workshop session opening
14.05-14.13	Algis Gaižutis (Moderator), Chairman of Forest Owners Association of Lithuania	Introduction
14.15-14.28	Liviu Nichiforel, Forest Faculty Member, Stefan cel Mare University of Suceava, Romania	Forest ownership structures in Europe and implications for uptake of forest and biomass certification systems.
14.30-14.43	Roman Polyachenko, Assurance Manager, Sustainable Biomass Program (SBP)	Sustainability requirements of the RED II and incorporation into SBP certification scheme.
14.45-14.58	Mikhel Jugaste, Head of Quality and Certification Systems, AS Graanul Invest, Estonia	Managing and demonstrating sustainability as a wood pellet producer in the Baltics.
14.58-15.08		Break
15.10-15.23	Gerimantas Gaigala, Forestry Director for Europe and Russia, Preferred by Nature	Auditing experiences from biomass and forest certification in the Baltic countries – solutions and challenges.
15.35-15.38	Mārcis Sakalaurs, Latvian Forest Owners' cooperative "Mežsaimnieks"	Sustainable private forestry in Latvia.
15.40-15.53	Aidas Pivoriūnas, Project and Stakeholder Engagement Manager in Baltic States at Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), forest management consultant.	Development of FSC system among smallholders in the Baltic countries.
15.55-16.08	Puneet Dwivedi, Associate Professor, University of Georgia, USA Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources	Family Forest landowners in the Southern United States and their Participation in Sustainable Biomass Markets
16.10-16.23	Rolf Hogan, Senior Sustainability Expert	Defining sustainable forest residues - reflections on multi-stakeholder discussions to develop requirements for sustainability certification.
16.23-16.33		Break
<b>Panel discussion with speakers and additional contributors</b>		
16.33-16.38	Introduction by moderator, Algis Gaižutis, Chairman of Forest Owners Association of Lithuania	
16.39-16.44	Aiga Grasmene, Managing Director, Latvian Forest Owners' Association	Forest owner perspectives.
16.45-16.50	Andris Vanags, Gren, Latvia Country Manager.	Future Energized Today.
16.51-16.56	Sune Balle-Hansen, Biomass Sustainability Lead, HOFOR A/S	Wood chips and pellet buyer perspectives on sustainability documentation for energy production outside the Baltic states.
16.57-17.55	Discussion and round-off	Discussion and round-off
17.55-18.00	Announcement of the next session	Where and when can forest bioenergy help to save carbon emissions, and how to calculate or model this?