

COST Action E43 on Harmonisation of national forest inventories in Europe:
Techniques for common reporting

**Work plan for the WG1 STSM at the National Forest Inventory
Nogent-sur-Vernisson, France
from 24th September to 5th October 2007**

Proposal

The participants of the short-term scientific mission (STSM) will be hosted and supported on site by Dr. Claude Vidal, chair of COST E43 WG1.

The objective of the STSM is to finalise the reference definitions of:

- forest;
- other wooded lands;
- tree;
- growing stock;
- biomass.

These definitions will take into account the results from previous meeting discussions. A finalised paper on reference definitions will be presented during the next meeting in Bucharest (RO). These reference definitions will be the basis for all harmonisation work.

The STSM will also focus on the points listed below:

- Work on harmonisation proposals (bridge building functions) regarding growing stock using newly available data.
- Preparation of a presentation for the meeting in Bucharest (RO) on 25th and 26th of October 2007.
- Preparation of a scientific report as required according to the guidelines for the implementation of a STSM within COST.

The tasks of the STSM are in conformance with the work plan of WG1.