COST ACTION E45 (EUROFOREX)

August 17th, 2007
IUFRO Division VI meeting
Integrative Science for Integrative Management
Saariselkä, Finland

Pere Riera (CTFC)
MOTIVATION

- Improve the quality standards in the valuation of externalities produced by the different types of forest in Europe, agreeing on valuation protocols

- Improve the transferability of forest values
OBJECTIVES

1. To write a full best-practice research guide or protocol for each of the main valuation methods:
   - Hedonic pricing
   - Travel cost
   - Contingent valuation
   - Choice modelling

2. To write a protocol for benefit transfer practices

3. To disseminate the results to end-users

4. To identify further research
8 MAIN TASKS

1. clarification of the **conceptual framework** for E-45 (EUROFOREX)
2. economic valuation of forest functions and externalities using the **hedonic pricing** method
3. economic valuation of forest functions and externalities using the **travel cost** method
4. economic valuation of forest functions and externalities using the **contingent valuation** method
5. economic valuation of forest functions and externalities using **choice modelling** methods
6. **benefit transfer** for forest functions and externalities (methods and measurements)
7. future **research agenda**
8. **dissemination** of results
Timing

- The kick off meeting took place in July 2006

- The duration of the Action is four years
ORGANISATION

- MC. Management Committee
  - SC. Steering Committee (executive between MC meetings)

- WG. 3 Working Groups for the 8 tasks
  - WG1. Revealed preference methods
  - WG2. Stated preference methods
  - WG3. Benefit transfer
ORGANISATION

- 2 coordinators per WG
- WG coordinators are the primary responsible people to write drafts
- In each WG full meeting, the drafts are to be discussed and amended until the final text
CALENDAR 2006 (YEAR 1)

- 1st MC meeting: kick-off meeting
  - Brussels, July 2006

- 2nd MC meeting: preparatory meeting

- Workshop on regional reports
  - Catania, Sicily, November 2006
  - Mission: Preparation of works

- Short Term Scientific Missions (STSMs)
  - 7 between Summer 2006 and December 2006
CALENDAR 2007 (YEAR 2)

- 3rd MC meeting
- Initial workshop
- 1st WG meetings
  - Barcelona, May 2007
  - Mission: Discussion on conceptual framework

- STSMs
  - 9 between January 2007 and Summer 2007
CALENDAR 2007 (YEAR 2)

☐ 4th MC meeting
☐ 2nd WG meetings
  ■ Canary Islands, December 2007
  ■ Mission: First drafts discussion documents

☐ STSMs
CAL MaNE 2008 (YEAR 3)

- 5th MC meeting
- 3rd WG meetings
  - Location: Norway?, Spring 2008
  - Mission: Improved full drafts
CALENDAR 2008 (YEAR 3)

- 6th MC meeting
  - Location: Ireland?
  - Autumn 2008

- STSMs
CALENDAR 2009 (YEAR 4)

☐ 6th MC meeting
  ■ Location ?
  ■ Spring 2009
CALENDAR 2009 (YEAR 4)

- 8\textsuperscript{th} MC meeting
- 4\textsuperscript{th} (and last) WG meetings
- Final conference for dissemination
  - Location ?
  - Winter 2009/2010
  - Mission: Final drafts

- STSMs
CALENDAR 2010 (YEAR 4)

☐ 9th (and last) MC wrap-up meeting and dissemination conference
  ▼ Location ?
  ▼ Spring 2010
PARTNERS

- Initial proponents

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- More COST partners are possible

- Also, from outside COST countries
  - Like currently New Zealand

- Contact us, if interested
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