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**SUMMARY REPORT**

**A.01 Presentation and exchange of views on the Forest Reproductive Material Information System (FOREMATIS).**

The Commission presented the developments to FOREMATIS and informed that there have been issues with the excel template for the submission of national lists of basic material. The Commission offered to assist those Member States still having problems with the excel template through bilateral meetings.

**A.02 Exchange of views on the Inception impact assessment concerning the Revision of the plant and forest reproductive material legislation.**

The Commission informed about the unseen degree of warming affecting all regions in Europe. Europe is struck harder than the rest of the world. Forests will react in 20 to 40 years to the changing climatic conditions. There is a need for a contingency reserve of forest reproductive material because there is a high probability of more forestry disasters in the future.

There is an increasing demand for forest reproductive material both for forestry and non-forestry purposes. Tree nurseries are concerned about the amount of forest reproductive material to be produced for the initiative of planting 3 billion trees by 2030 and other non-forestry purposes. The scope of Directive 1999/105/EC on the marketing of forest reproductive material is restricted to the marketing of forest reproductive material for forestry purposes. An exchange of views with Member States took place. The Commission asked Member States to reflect about the possible extension of the scope of the legislation to non-forestry purposes. The Commission concluded that the upcoming Impact Assessment would thoroughly assess all impacts of a possible extension of the scope of the legislation.

**A.03 Exchange of views on the Inception impact assessment concerning the Revision of the plant and forest reproductive material legislation.**

The Commission presented the Inception impact assessment and informed that the deadline for providing feedback through the Better Regulation Portal is 13 July. The Commission emphasised that the forest reproductive material legislation would be kept separate from the other legislation on plant reproductive material, irrespective of the

policy option that would be chosen. Member States welcomed the Inception impact assessment and presented their views on the preferred option. A Member State expert expressed concerns about the possible inclusion of the legislation on forest reproductive material into the scope of the Official Controls Regulation.

The Commission informed that the comments on the Inception impact assessment would be analysed and that a subsequent Impact assessment would be carried out. The Commission reassured that Member States and stakeholders would be further consulted throughout the revision process.

**B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1597/2002 as regards the format of national lists of the basic material of forest reproductive material.**

The Commission presented the document. Some Member States expressed concerns about future changes to the excel template for the submission of national lists of basic material. The Commission reassured Member States that they would always be consulted on future changes to the excel template.

Vote taken by written procedure: Favourable opinion.