

Working party on Forest Reproductive Material 22-23 October 2014 - Italy

Agenda

Day 1

- 1) Welcome of participants
- 2) Working party on forest reproductive material, Hissar, Bulgaria
- 3) Update from the European Commission:
State of play Plant Reproductive Material law, Official Controls Regulation and EU forest strategy
- 4) Management of national lists and EU list:
 - a. Current approach
 - b. Future semantic web approach: alternative electronic method to consolidate national registers
- 5) Notifications under Decision 2008/989/EC
- 6) Discussion on important OECD issues on Forest Reproductive Material (FRM) held during the period 2012-2014:
 - a. Amendment of Rules of the OECD Forest Seed and Plant Scheme
 - b. Use of the Scheme for multifunctional forest trees
 - c. Inclusion of new definitions into the Scheme's Rules
 - d. Use of synonyms in the OECD forest database
 - e. Taxonomical terms and nomenclature of forest plants
 - f. Climate change
 - g. Guidelines regarding the production of FRM
 - h. Quality aspects of forest seed in the Scheme
 - i. Reference to online herbaria in the Scheme
 - j. OECD budget
- 7) FAO 2014 report on the state of the world's forest genetic resources and FAO Global plan of action for the conservation, sustainable use and development of forest genetic resources
- 8) Quarantine and alarming fungal diseases in Europe: Pine Pitch Canker and Walnut Thousand Cankers Disease
- 9) Any other business

Day 2

Field trip visits

- 1) Centro Nazionale per lo studio e la conservazione della Biodiversità forestale in Peri
- 2) Laboratorio analisi qualità del seme accreditato - International Seed Testing Association (ISTA)