

“The status of non-state forestry in South East Europe”

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Representatives of forest owner associations and state responsables from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Macedonia, Serbia, Montenegro as well as forestry experts from the Confederation of European Forest Owners (CEPF), Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Netherlands Development Agency (SNV), Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) participated in the conference and discussed a broad range of issues related to the management and administration of non-state forests in South-East Europe.

Among others were concluded that private forestry, the production of timber, non-wood forest products and other marketable services as well as the provision of public services has potential to contribute more extensively to sustainable development in South-East Europe. Economic incomes, employment opportunities and environmental values from private forest management are of common interest of the state administration and private forest owners.

NACFP, member of CEPF did one detailed presentation on the last development of communal forestry in Albania, challenges and achievements