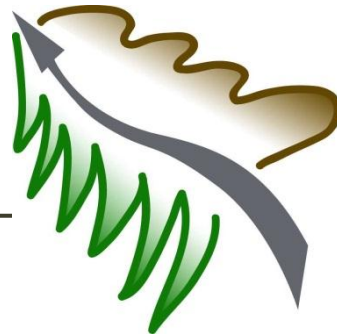


Introduced and invasive tree species in European forests



Threats OR / AND challenges?

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Project *INVASIVE*

- History:
 - Emotional discussion, often not evidence based
 - Contradicting perspectives (forestry, gardening, nature conservation, society, hunting)
 - Definitions and terms are used in different ways
- Background:
 - Funded by the German Federal Ministry for Food and Agriculture (BMEL)
 - Coordinated by the European Forest Institute (Central European regional office EFICENT)
- Goals:
 - Identification of the key players
 - Collect existing expert and scientific knowledge
 - Support fact based education for a broad public
 - Provide and exchange information



Opportunities.....



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....challenges



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Components

- Publication on introduced tree species
- Exchange of experts
 - Themed workshops
 - Excursions to forest sites of interest
- Information materials
 - Webpage
 - Flyers and newsletters
 - Education movie
 - Reports
- Risk Platform linking across other projects
- Final event



Publication

- Topic: Introduced and invasive tree species in European forests – opportunities and challenges
- Targetted audience:
 - All backgrounds (forestry, environmental science, ecology, etc.)
 - Politicians and decision makers
 - Academics
 - Practitioners
 - Students
 - Enthusiasts
- Goals:
 - Fact and evidence based compilation of scientific knowledge
 - Developing a common understanding / discussion basis



Authors

- Selection of experts:
 - Proven track of relevant experience
 - Academic record of relevant literature
 - *EFI* and *INVASIVE* team's network
 - Recommendations of experts and advisory board
 - AVAILABILITY!
- What's expected:
 - Contribution by the end of 2015
 - Review other chapters
 - Translations
 - Facts and evidence based information
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Content

- Chapters of about 3-5 pages length (DINA-4)
- Key messages instead of headings
- Text boxes as an additional feature
- Reference list – not exhaustive but sufficient
- Target audience: politicians, decision makers, scientist, interested public, practitioners and agencies.



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