



# European State Forest Association EUSTAFOR

Developing “Forest Services” for  
Financial Value and Social Gain

## A New Workstream for Eustafor?

- Discussion Paper requested by General Assembly for 2009
- Should we develop this topic as our third project workstream after Climate Change and Bio-Energy?
- Views and ideas sought from Eustafor members

## Background

- Increased interest in delivery and value of “ecosystem services” - biodiversity, recreation, land restoration, conservation (water, soils, air...)
- Earlier presentation by IUCN imploring SFMOs to develop their role in this area
- SFMOs have the land resource and the skills to deliver and a wish to improve their financial position and their contribution to Society
- Good examples from SFMOs around Europe

## Examples

- England - derelict land reclamation
- France - carbon sequestration
- Scotland - managing semi-natural open habitats
- Austria - managing water resources
- There will be many more...

## What Form Might a Project Take?

- Exploring and identifying opportunities and policy drivers
- Knowledge sharing
- Sharing experience
- Sharing outcomes and results
- Benchmarking

Please let me have your views!



Thanks for listening!