

Report for EFINORD-SNS Networks

Submit the report to sns@slu.se and efinord@efi.int by 24:00 CET, 1st of March the year after the activities. The report should not exceed 1500 words (including words in the template).

Please adjust the box size according to the length of your answer.

1. Network title:	Improving the Effectiveness of Forest Research Results
2. Network number:	N2018-06

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Activities during the reporting year:

4. Place of the activity:	Workshop in Biri, Norway. Proceedings prepared in Helsinki.
Duration of the activity (start date, end date):	January 2018, February 2019

5. Provide a short network summary, including:

a) A background to the network
 b) The main activities of the network

a) **Research results** contribute to policy-making through different processes and organizations in **different countries**. The importance of streamlining processes that bring science to policy support is increasing at the international and national levels. However, international cooperation and awareness of concepts in neighboring countries has so far been limited and therefore there is a clear need to improve the situation.

b) This network aims to speed up the process of turning research results into effective practical forestry applications and support for policy making in the participating countries, by:

- Creating a Northern European network for exchanging experiences on, and developing instruments for, bringing research results to policy support,
- Organizing an international workshop to carry out benchmarking,
- Developing applications for further Nordic and European projects that can identify best practices for transferring forest science to practical applications and policy support.

6. List the outputs of the network (peer-reviewed articles, other publications, websites, policy recommendations, conferences, scientific meetings, large-scale project applications, research training etc.)

- **The proceedings from the meeting will be published in the internet.** Title: "Tools for improving science-policy interaction in forestry". The publication is enclosed with this report.
- An application was submitted to SNS to organize an international workshop at the University of Oxford in June 2019 to share state-of-the-art knowledge with a particular focus on science-

policy-practice interactions in the provision of social ecosystem services, with a special reference to recreation and human health values provided by forests.

7. How and within which areas was the network beneficial for the Nordic countries?

This network has strengthened the role of Nordic forest research particularly in broader European context by extending its reach towards Central Europe by active involvement in related research proposals outside the Nordic region.

As the partners in the network have represented different types of organizations – intermediate organizations operating between research and practice/policy, policy makers (ministries), research organizations, universities, as well as research societies – this diversity has contributed to active dissemination and communication that has increased the interplay between various actors.

8. Provide a short popular science piece of the project (maximum 500 characters) for publication by SNS in various channels

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This SNS-EFINORD Network organized an international workshop titled "*Tools for improving science-policy interaction in forestry*" in Biri, Norway in May 15-16, 2018. Proceedings from this workshop consist of country reports on the interaction between forest research and forest policy. These reports were provided by the following participating countries: Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Norway, Poland and UK. Additional examples of international cooperation were provided by Finland and Sweden related to forest and the environment as well as to the circumboreal context, respectively. Furthermore, Professor Maria Brockhaus from University of Helsinki contributed with her presentation "The role of evidence in forest-related policy making: Power, politics and learning in science-policy interaction".

Participation

9. Number of participants

Country	Young researchers / PhD students	Senior researchers	Stakeholders	Others (specify)	Gender			Total
					Women	Men	Other	
Denmark								
Finland		3	1		2	2		4
Iceland		2			1	1		2
Norway		3		1 (head of the host org.)	1	3		4
Sweden		1				1		1
UK		1			1			1
France		1				1		1
Estonia		1				1		1
Germany		1				1		1
Poland		1	1		1	1		2
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Total		14	2	1	6	11		17

Economic report

10. Received grant from SNS and EFINORD (SEK):

195.000

11. Transfer of SNS funds to network partners

Country	Partner organization	Sum (SEK)
Denmark		
Finland		13.764,89 (1336,02€)
Sweden		4.266,80 (414,14€)
Norway		876,47 (85,07€)
Iceland		12.930,23 (1255,01€)
Other countries (specify)		
France		5.023,18 (487,55€)
Germany		6.567,07 (637,40€)
Poland		4.600,04 (446,48€)
United Kingdom		2.845,26 (276,16€)
Estonia		3.275,17 (317,89€)
Total SUM		54149,11 (5255,71€)

12. Costs

	SNS funding	External funds	Total
Travel and hotel	79.114,08		79.114,08
Meeting costs	12.960,13		12.960,13
Salary	Not allowed	385.912,83	385.912,83
Communication	103.029,05		103.029,05
Other costs (specify)			1.206,98
Daily allowance		1.206,99	
Total SUM (SEK)	195.103,26	387.119,82	582.223,84

Optional: Comments to the economic overview:

Communication costs include the preparation of the conference proceedings document and reporting activities.

I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge

Main applicant's signature, place and date

 Tapio Oy


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Signature of the head of the main applicant's research institution


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