

Preliminary plan for the content of the COST E30 Final Report

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## **Entrepreneurship in the forest sector in Europe**

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### Summary

#### 1. Introduction (Niskanen, Rametsteiner, Bourrioud)

- rural development, urbanization
- small-scale forestry characteristics in Europe
- wood processing SMEs in Europe
- non-wood forest products and services (production and processing) in Europe
- rationale: to economically integrate especially urban consumers' demands and the supply of various forestry products and services is a promising means to improve business opportunities, employment and income in rural areas
- introduction of COST E30 and the work done in it
- aims of the Final Report

#### 2. Theories (Niskanen, Rametsteiner, Bourrioud)

- summary of regional development theories
- Porter's theory on comparative advantage (industry perspective)
- resource based view (firm level perspective)
- innovation system approach

#### 3. Small-scale forestry – COST E30 results and conclusions (WG leaders)

- WG 1 results including country reports and sub-group papers
- WG 1 discussion and conclusions on the Action three main questions

#### 4. Wood processing SMEs – COST E30 results and conclusions (WG leaders)

- WG 2 results including country reports and sub-group papers
- WG 2 discussion and conclusions on the Action three main questions

#### 5. Non-wood forest products and services – COST E30 results and conclusions (WG leaders)

- WG 3 results including country reports and sub-group papers
- WG 3 discussion and conclusions on the Action three main questions

#### 6. Overall conclusions, future research needs and policy (and industry) recommendations (Niskanen, WG leaders)

### Literature

Annex: Action publications