

Participation of VÚLHM, v. v. i. representative on a capacity building workshop „Preparing the forest sector in Eastern Europe and Central Asia to meet global challenges”

A capacity building workshop was held in Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan, in 29 October – 2 November 2012, in frame of planned activities formulated by Cooperation Agreement between the Czech Republic and FAO under the program GCP/INT/790/CEH – “Training Programs in Selected Areas”. This workshop was participated by FAO and its regional agencies deputies, by members of seminar organizational committee and by representatives of individual countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Ukraine and Turkey).

The main objectives of the Regional Workshop were to:

- (1) Review the progress made by target countries and international organizations towards the implementation of the "Křtiny Declaration" and update priorities of target countries; and
- (2) Support target countries by exchanging experience in selected forest-related areas (forest resource assessment, forest and water, etc.), in the context of global challenges such as climate change mitigation and adaptation.

The Czech Republic was represented by members of working seminar organisational committee:

- Ing. Tomáš Krejzar, Ph.D., MZe ČR;
- Ing. Jiří Bílý, Ph.D., MZe ČR;
- Ing. Josef Frýdl, CSc., VÚLHM, v. v. i.;
- Ing. Miloš Pařízek, ÚHÚL;
- Ing. Richard Slabý, ÚHÚL;
- Ing. Radim Adolt, Ph.D., ÚHÚL.

In frame of working seminar program, following presentations were presented by the Czech Republic representatives:

- **“History of FAO/CZ Forestry Workshops”** (Ing. Tomáš Krejzar, Ph.D.);
- **“Legally binding agreement on forests in Europe”** (Ing. Tomáš Krejzar, Ph.D.);
- **“Kyrgyzstan project - FAO work in support of Forest Resource Assessment/Forest Inventories”** (Ing. Richard Slabý);
- **“Modern inventory technology”** (Ing. Radim Adolt, Ph.D.);

- **„Forest Tree Species Genetic Resources Selection, Preservation and Management in the face of Expected Environmental Changes“** (Ing. Josef Frýdl, CSc.);
- **„State administration of the forest reproductive material“** (Ing. Miloš Pařízek);
- **„Quality of Forest Reproductive Material – Basis of Forests Vitality and Stability“** (Ing. Jiří Bílý, Ph.D.);
- **“Křtiny Declaration – revision/update based on developments at international and national level”** (Ing. Tomáš Krejzar, Ph.D.).

Resume

Part of the workshop programme was the active involvement of all participants in the various working groups work, whose activities were controlled by the members of the seminar organizational committee. Activities of some of these working groups were aimed to the forest genetic resources preservation and conservation, to the issue of forest reproductive material and to the issue forest protection and they were coordinated and evaluated by the Czech participants at the end of the seminar.

On the basis of evaluated results of the mentioned working groups activities, it was possible to update and specify the main areas of the participating countries interest aimed to possible future cooperation; both within in the framework of other planned activities implementation in the drafting of the Treaty on the cooperation agreement between the Czech Republic and the FAO, which is part of the longer-term programme GCP/INT/790/CEH – "Training Programs in Selected Areas" (training programmes in selected areas) and in the context of other potential programmes aimed at promoting the development of specific areas of the forestry sector in Eastern Europe and Central Asia countries. As the main object of interest of the participating countries representatives has been defined more specifically the issue of forestry legislation, the issue of the so-called "green economy", the issue of climate change, the issue of the management of genetic resources, the issue of the wood energy resources use and issues associated with the forest resources inventories, including the use of remote sensing methods.

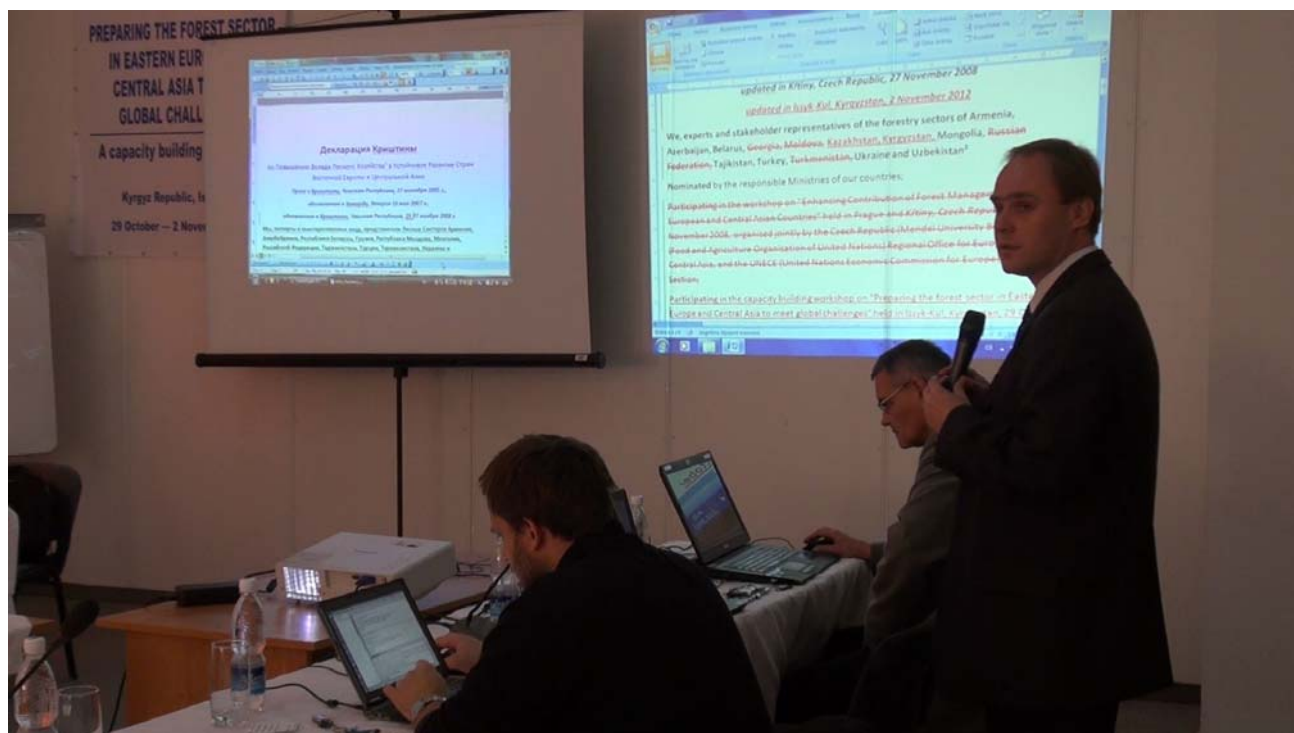
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Participants of the workshop „Preparing the forest sector in Eastern Europe and Central Asia to meet global challenges”, Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan, 29 October – 2 November 2012





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