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Workshop: “Assessment of the likely impact of climate change on forests and forest management in North-West Russia”

4 October 2018, Petrozavodsk, Onego Palace Hotel

Information Letter

WWF Russia, the University of Eastern Finland and the Swedish Forest Agency are implementing the joint project “Raising Awareness of the Likely Impact of Climate Change on Forest Ecosystems in North-West Russia”. The main goal of the project is to analyze how climate change might affect the forests in North-West Russia (Karelian Republic, Arkhangelsk Region) over the long term. The project has produced, using computer simulation technology, a set of the scenarios for three types of forests – intact forest within protected natural area; forest under clear cutting; and forested areas subject to intensive forest management and present-day forest growing methods.

The workshop “Assessment of the likely impact of climate change on forestry and forest management in North-West Russia” will present the site simulation outcomes for Karelian Republic and Arkhangelsk Region. The audience will be updated on the experience the Swedish Forest Agency (project partner) has gained with regard to spreading the awareness of the likely impacts of climate change on forest ecosystems, as well as of the possible adaptation mechanisms.

We kindly invite forest harvesting businesses, public forest management bodies, research organizations, and non-governmental environmental organizations to attend.

The workshop will be hosted in Petrozavodsk on 4 October 2018 at Onego Palace Hotel at: 26 Kuibyshev Str. Please contact us to confirm participation by phone: +7(8182)413-161 or by e-mail: ashegolev@wwf.ru.

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Workshop Programme

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10:00-10:10	Opening by Andrey Shegolev, WWF России
10:10 – 10:30	Climate change and its impacts on forest growth, timber supply, and biotic and abiotic risks in boreal forestry (Heli Peltola, Sergei Senko – University of Eastern Finland; Lars Andersson, Hillevi Eriksson – Swedish Forest Agency; Andrey Shegolev – WWF Russia)
10:30 – 10:40	Updates on NEFCO project: “Increasing awareness of the likely impacts of climate change on Forest Ecosystems in North-West Russia” (Heli Peltola – University of Eastern Finland)
10:40 – 11:10	Modelled impacts of climate change on boreal forests in Northwestern Russia (Sergei Senko, Heli Peltola, Harri Strandman, Veli-Pekka Ikonen – University of Eastern Finland)
11:10- 11:30	The warming climate and the risk of <i>Ips typographus</i> outbreaks in Finland and Russia (Olli-Pekka Tikkanen, Ivan Romashkin, Seppo Toivannen – University of Eastern Finland)
11:30 – 11:50	Natural disturbance patterns in Eastern Barents intact forests (Asiya Zagidullina, Saint-Petersburg State University)
11:50 – 12:30	Discussion
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 – 13:50	Russian forestry legislation: climate change adaptation issues (Alexey Grigoriev, International Socio-Ecological Union)
13:50 – 14:10	Climate adaptation in Swedish forestry in theory and practice” (Hillevi Eriksson, Swedish Forest Agency)
14:10 – 14:30	Barents Forest Sector Network – Cooperation to promote sustainable management of forest resources in a changing climate (Per Hallgren, BFSN Chairmanship Coordinator)
14:30 – 15:00	Discussion and summing-up