

InnoForEST at a Glance

InnoForEST's goal is to spark a transformation of the European forest sector by steering policies and businesses towards enhancing the provision of a wide range of forest ecosystem services.

The four main objectives are:

- ✓ A synthesis of exemplary innovative and economically viable forest ecosystem service provisions in Europe
- ✓ Classification of success factors of novel policy and business models
- ✓ Identification of promising governance approaches and context conditions to support upscaling and mainstreaming of successful examples
- ✓ Knowledge based recommendations for the extension of innovative and economically viable forest ecosystem service provision in real world contexts.

The project's results are expected to ...

- ... increase incentives for forest owners and administrations to provide forest ecosystem services;
- ... improve and develop novel forest related policy and business approaches that serve societal demands for wellbeing;
- ... enhance co-ordination in policy making;
- ... bridge existing gaps in Science-Policy-Practice networks.

Project Partners

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**Smart Information, Governance
and Business Innovations
for Sustainable Supply and
Payment Mechanisms
for Forest Ecosystem Services**

Why InnoForEST?

Forests are the backbone of our environment and livelihoods. They are habitat to countless plant and animal species as well as scenery and context for recreation and tourism. Forests filter air and water, prevent avalanches and landslides. They store carbon in the trees and soil and hence protect our climate. And last but not least, they provide valuable timber as a sustainable renewable raw material for healthy living.

In academia, these benefits are referred to as “forest ecosystem services”. Ensuring their future provision requires new and unconventional approaches in forest management, business, and in the policies and interventions that govern these.

We expect the InnoForEST project to identify, enhance, and spread promising innovative ideas, for the benefit of forest enterprises, our fellow citizens and future generations.

We thank you for your interest!

The InnoForEST team

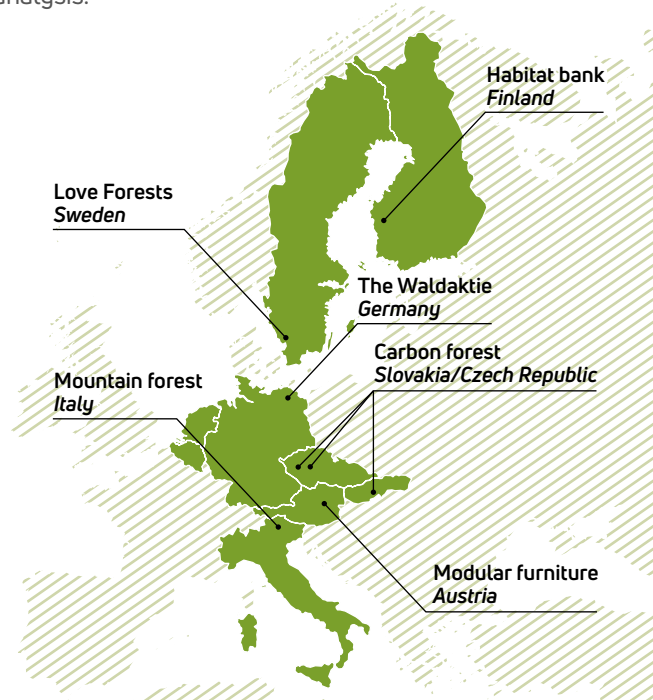
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Learning from Pioneers

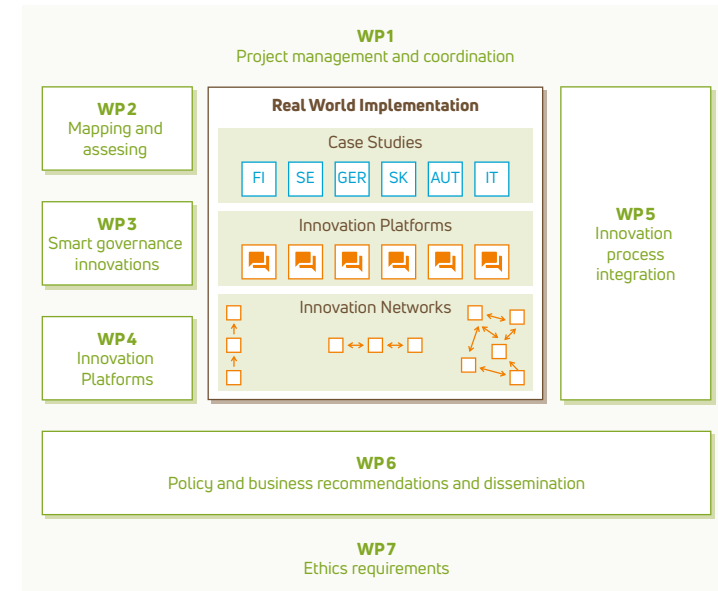
Throughout Europe, practitioners pioneer new ways to align the provision of forest ecosystem services with societal demands and economic necessities. A selection of six initiatives forms the project’s core. They serve as good practice examples, network partners, and case studies for systematic analysis.



The project brings together 16 partner organisations from nine EU countries. The consortium includes forest and environmental administrations, wood-processing and consultancy firms, hunting associations, forest managers, land-owners, and NGOs, as well as European universities and forest research institutes. All are interested in and experienced with researching and developing novel policy and business strategies for forest ecosystem services. Combining knowledge from research and practice, InnoForEST will portray, systemically analyze and help further develop good practice examples of economically viable mechanisms for providing forest ecosystem services.

Spreading the Word

Part of the project’s mission is to elaborate, assess and debate the potential of transferring innovations to other regions or countries across Europe. We aim to identify influencing factors and conditions necessary for sound innovation establishment. To reach these objectives, InnoForEST is divided into seven work packages (“WPs”).



New actor alliances within and beyond the forestry sector will cooperate in developing recommendations for decision makers in politics and practice.

Our networks are open for other innovators and ideas. ‘Innovation platforms’ are set up in each case study region to facilitate collaboration and knowledge transfer.

We invite anyone related to innovation activities for forest ecosystem service provision to participate in our project activities regularly announced at our project website: www.innoforest.eu.