



THE FORESTS DIALOGUE

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The Forests Dialogue

Dialogue on Forests and Rural Livelihoods in Russia

21-24 October 2008 - Syktyvkar, Komi Republic, Russian Federation

Dialogue Objectives

- ➔ Examine illustrative cases and identify obstacles to replication elsewhere;
- ➔ Clarify the necessary roles, commitments and actions of stakeholders to realize the potential of commercial forestry to reduce poverty.
- ➔ Understand specific issues such as:
 - Tradeoffs related to mechanization vs traditional forestry
 - Implications and opportunities of the new forest law
 - New climate related opportunities and projects
 - How local communities and the local work force interact with commercial forestry interests

Dialogue Co-Chairs

- Peter Gardiner – Mondi (Host)
- Mikhail Karpachevskiy – Biodiversity Conservation Center
- Przemyslaw Majewski – Silver Taiga (Host)
- Bill Street – International Association of Machinists

Agenda

Monday 20 October - Arrival

22:00 Arrival at **Hotel Avalon**
133 Internatsionalnaya St.
Syktyvkar
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Tuesday 21 October - Field Tour

7:45 Meet in lobby of Hotel Avalon
8:00 Leave for Field tour to Priluzje region
9:15 Stop and short excursion in Yb village - "History of forest use in Komi. Characteristic of Traditional Komi village"
10:45 Stop at Mondi nursery forest. Short excursion.
13:00 Lunch in Objachevo village in Objachevo Administration canteen

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- 14:45 Meeting in Chernysh school - "Peculiarities of forest use in this particular region. Interactions of local population and forest business"
- 17:30 Departure for Objachevo village
- 18:00 Arrival in Objachevo Village for overnight stay
- 19:00 Dinner including traditional Komi songs and dances

Wednesday 22 October - Field Tour

- 8:00 Breakfast in Objachevo Administration canteen
- 9:00 Meeting in Objachevo - "Peculiarities of forest use in Prilujie on the whole, interactions between population and forest business"
 - Administration of Priluzje region, forestry unit, farmers
- 10:30 Meeting in Vukhtym village - "Features of the forest-logging settlement. Importance of mushrooms and berries harvesting "
 - Local people who sell non-timber forest products
- 11:30 Visit to Kidzyavidz village - "A functioning of a sawmill enterprise"
 - Meeting with the representatives of the "Luzales" company sawmill, presentation of the sawmill equipment and the industry.
- 13:30 Lunch in Spasporub school canteen
- 14:30 Meeting in Spasporub village - "Peculiarities of forest use in this particular region, interactions between population and forest business"
 - Meeting with representative of local administration and the local population
- 17:00 Meeting in Zanulje village - "Peculiarities of loggings"
 - Presentation of "Luzales" Company's primary timber landing
- 17:30 Departure for Syktyvkar
- 19:45 Arrival and accommodation in Hotel Avalon, Syktyvkar
- 20:30 Dinner

Thursday 23 October - Dialogue

Dialogue Location:

Hotel Avalon Conference Room

133 Internatsionalnaya Street

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Opening session of Dialogue - Przemyslaw Majewski and Yuri Pautov, Moderators

- 9:00 TFD's history and mission – **Gary Dunning** (TFD)
- 9:30 Co-chairs introduction – **Bill Street** (IAMAW), **Peter Gardiner** (Mondi), **Mikhail Karpachevskiy** (BCC-R), **Przemyslaw Majewski** (Silver Tiaga)
 - Objectives and agenda of the Komi Dialogue
- 10:00 Summary of earlier dialogues - **Brian Milakovsky** (TFD)

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- 10:30 Discussion about learnings from earlier dialogues
- **Bill Street, Peter Gardiner, James Griffiths**
- 11:00 Community activists from Udora, Izhma and Pechora regions, presentations on the way of life in remote forest villages
- **Ruslan Yljanov, Albert Loginov and Valentina Semiyahshkina**
- 13:00 Lunch

Background Session - Peter Gardiner, Moderator

- 14:00 Presentation of background paper - **Yuri Pautov** (Silver Tiaga)
- 15:00 Economic Overview
- **Tamara Dmitrieva** (Russian Academy of Science)
- 16:30 Discussion on Drivers, Motivators, Enabling Environment and Obstacles
- 18:00 Adjourn
- 18:30 Dinner

Friday 24 October - Dialogue

Stakeholder Perspectives Session - Mikhail Karpachevskiy, Moderator

- 8:30 Summary of Previous days work
- 9:00 Perspective of the Forest Committee of the Komi Republic - **Vasiliy Obukhov**
- 9:30 Socio-Economic Assessment Toolbox - **Andrey Samodelkin**
- 10:00 Perspective of large forest enterprises - **Anatoli Arteev**
- 10:30 Perspective of the Social Council - **Galina Knyazeva**
- 11:00 Perspective of NGOs - **Przemyslaw Majewski**
- 12:00 Lunch

Wrap Up Session – Bill Street, Moderator

- 13:00 Synthesis and Analysis of Commonalities by Theme:
→ Drivers
→ Motivators
→ Enabling Environment
→ Obstacles and Barriers
- 15:00 What's needed to address barriers in Russia?
- 16:00 Next Steps
- In Komi by Russian stakeholders
- For TFD
- 17:00 Adjourn