



Invitation to the

# EU-Symposium

**Forest meets politics**

AXICA Congress and Convention Centre Berlin

29. April 2022



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## Ladies and gentlemen,

our forests in Europe play a key role in our joint efforts to combat climate change. Their sustainable, multifunctional management is essential to ensure their survival and the further development of their services and functions across generations. The DFWR's invitation to the annual EU Symposium in Berlin is now an established tradition to emphasise the importance of forestry on a European level. After a necessary break due to the coronavirus pandemic, we and the Austrian organisation Forst Holz Papier (FHP) are happy to invite you to Berlin for 2022's first meeting focused on forest policy. Together we will listen and engage in dialogue.

„Forest meets politics“ is the slogan for our symposium, to which we are pleased to welcome German, Austrian, and numerous other European decision makers in the areas of forestry and policy. We all share one common goal: We want to pursue forestry with the greatest possible degree of scientific expertise and thus contribute to climate protection, the preservation of biodiversity, and the expansion of the bioeconomy.



**Georg Schirmbeck**

DFWR President, MdB a.D

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**Dr. Erich Wiesner**

FHP Chairman

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We look forward to illustrious speakers from across Europe as well as a concluding podium discussion with an exchange of international views.

It is a pleasure to invite and welcome you to this European event in the heart of Berlin.



## PROGRAMME

### **29. April**

from 9.30 a.m.

Doors open: Welcome coffee and tea

10.30 a.m.

Opening speech: Dr. Erich Wiesner, Chairman FHP

11.00 a.m.

Keynote speeches

12.45 p.m.

Podium discussion with the presidents of the European forestry associations as well as Members of the European Parliament Ulrike Müller and Alexander Bernhuber

1.30 p.m.

Closing speech: Georg Schirmbeck, DFWR President

2.00 p.m.

Closing reception with snacks in the foyer

### **On the eve of the symposium 28. April**

from 7.00 p.m.

Networking meeting at the Ständigen Vertretung (StäV)  
Schiffbauerdamm 8, 10117 Berlin

## OUR SPEAKERS



Federal Minister  
of Food and Agriculture

**Cem Özdemir**  
Germany



Federal Minister for Agriculture,  
Regions and Tourism

**Elisabeth Köstinger**  
Austria



EU Commissioner  
for Environment

**Virginijus Sinkevičius**



Ambassador

**Anne-Marie Descôtes**  
France

Co-Chair of UNEP  
International Resource Panel

**Janez Potočnik**

Advisor to the President  
of the Republic of Poland

**Pawel Salek**

NABU President

**Jörg-Andreas Krüger**

## EVENT ORGANISER

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## LOCATION

### **AXICA Congress and Convention Centre**

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## REGISTRATION

We ask you to **register online by 14 April 2022** via the link provided in the invitation email.

Please complete all fields. You will receive confirmation soon after registering.

Please note that there may be changes to the programme.

We assume that the event will take place without any coronavirus restrictions.

If, at that time, restrictions apply in the State of Berlin, we will inform you in advance.





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