



Forest-based Sector  
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5<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Forest Innovation Workshop

**“The role of innovation in managing new challenges in the forest-based sector at regional level in the EU”**

January 18th, 2023 - Brussels

Started in 2014 as a joint initiative of European regions and forest sector organizations, the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the European Forest Innovation Workshop devoted to *Inform-Prioritize-Collaborate: Cooperation of Regions on Innovation in Forest Management, Use of Wood and Forest-related Services*, will take place on 18 January 2023 (full-day workshop) in Brussels, exact location to be confirmed. The official invitation and registration page will follow soon.

### Main objectives of the event are:

- Understanding the new framework for regional innovation policies addressing the forest-based sector in Europe
- Presenting relevant innovations from different European regions that are helping address key European policy ambitions
- Connecting experts and practitioners to speed up knowledge flows
- Encourage public and private collaboration at EU and regional levels to foster innovation

### The themes addressed in the workshop are:

1. Carbon market, bioeconomy, climate smart forestry and rural development
2. Forest degradation and nature restoration
3. Ecosystem services and better integration in forest management

Digitalization and social innovation are cross-cutting aspects contributing to the above themes.

An open call for **Expression of Interest** to participate as a speaker to present a case is open until **4 December 2022** at the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.de/r/JN7X7CR>

Ensure your voice is heard and your views shared by the relevant EU and regional stakeholders. Help us to strengthen the contribution of forests and wood to the EU bio-economy and rural development: **save the date in your agenda!**

### **More information and past editions**

The workshop language is English.

The event is free. Organizers cannot provide any support for travel and accommodation expenses.

2020 - <https://efi.int/events/forest-innovation-workshop-2020-2020-01-15>

2018 - <https://efi.int/events/forest-innovation-workshop-2018-2018-04-26>

2016 - <https://efi.int/events/forest-innovation-workshop-2016-2016-01-29>

2014 - <https://efi.int/events/forest-innovation-workshop-2014-2014-05-20>