



Exploring the gaps between forestry education and labour market in Europe

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The survey (1/2)

- Requested by the Forest-Based Sector Technology Platform (FTP), formed by:
 - **European Confederation of Woodworking Industries (CEI-Bois)**
 - **Confederation of European Forest Owners (CEPF)**
 - **Confederation of European Paper Industries (CEPI)**
 - **European State Forest Association (EUSTAFOR).**
- www.forestplatform.org
- Aim of the survey: to map the state of **MSc level** education in forestry in Europe and the needs of the employers, to contributing to bridge possible gaps
 - Targeted respondents:
 - Coordinators of MSc-level programmes in forestry
 - Employers of graduates from MSc level programmes in forestry
 - Features: Online survey, to be completed in 20 minutes, in English.



The survey (2/2)

- Contents of the survey:

- Section 1: Profile and statistical data of the respondents (universities, employers)
- Section 2: Questions on curriculum reform, internships and employment of graduates
- Section 3: On competencies (21 generic, 21 subject-specific) in relation to labour market...
 - CURRENT ACHIEVEMENT (Level of development of the competency by current graduates)
 - FUTURE IMPORTANCE FOR EMPLOYMENT (Importance of the competency for the employment of graduates in the labour market of the next 10 years)

Of little importance	moderately important	important	very important	extremely important
1	2	3	4	5
Little development	moderate development	fair development	very developed	extremely developed



Data collection (ongoing)

- RESPONSES AS OF 30 OCTOBER: 20 universities, 9 employers
- RESPONSES WILL BE STILL COLLECTED DURING NOVEMBER 2009

- INPUT IS MOST WELCOME; PLEASE COLLABORATE BY ANSWERING AND FORWARDING THE FOLLOWING LINKS THROUGH YOUR CONTACTS:

•QUESTIONNAIRES CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES.

<http://elomake.joensuu.fi/lomakkeet/1026/lomake.html> (universities)

<http://elomake.joensuu.fi/lomakkeet/999/lomake.html> (employers)



<i>MSc-level programmes (n=20)</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Country</i>
MSc in Management of Forests & Natural Areas	Gembloux	Belgium
MSc Bioscience Engineering	Ghent	Belgium
Forestry Engineering/Wood Engineering	Prague	Czech Republic
MSc Agric. & For.	Joensuu	Finland
MSc Forestry & Environmental Engineering	(consortium)	Finland-Russia
Training of forest engineers	Nancy	France
MSc Forest Sciences & Forest Ecology	Göttingen	Germany
International MSc Sustainable Resource Manag.	Munich	Germany
International MSc Global Change Management	Eberswalde	Germany
MSc Forest Science (Forstwissenschaft)	Freiburg	Germany
MSc program Forestry, Ecology	Kaunas	Lithuania
Management For. Exploitation & Wood Working	Suceava	Romania
MSc in Forest Policy and Economics	Belgrade-Saraje	Serbia-Bosnia
MSc Forestry Engineering (Ingenieria de Montes)	Madrid	Spain
MSc Forestry (Ingenieria de Montes)	Valencia	Spain
Degree of Master of Science, major in Biology	Umeå	Sweden
MSc Forest and nature Conservation	Wageningen	the Netherlands
MSc Conservation & Forest Protection	London	United Kingdom
MSc European Forestry	(consortium)	(6 countries)
Euroforester	(consortium)	(9 countries)

Respondents (so far)

<i>Employers (n= 9)</i>	<i>Country</i>
Metsähallitus	Finland
Balma Forestal SLP	Spain
Centre Tecnologic Forestal Catalunya	Spain
Skogsägare Norrskog Ek för	Sweden
Sveaskog	Sweden
Federation of Swedish Farmers (LRF)	Sweden
Natural England	UK
Stora Enso	(int.)
European Forest Institute	(int.)