



Forests-Common Benefits, Shared Responsibilities, Multiple Policies Tamás Marghescu Riga October 2005





The environmental function is not just one pillar of sustainable, multi-functional forest management.

It is the foundation for the economic and social pillars



DO YOU AGREE?

Environment protection cannot, therefore, be understood as yet another sector and it cannot, therefore, participate in crosssectoral co-operation as a sector, but has to claim and maintain a much stronger to be respected position as principle guardian of the foundation for sustainable development



Halt the loss of biodiversity



Nature conservation

Nature conservation started to establish protected forest areas, where economic function of forests received a lower priority than the environmental

Through protection of rare and endangered species nature conservation then got involved in all forests

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Today, we have in the EU through the Birds and Habitat Directives a network of protected areas (Natura 2000), which are highly enforcable; Throughout the globe, more than 10 percent of the surface area is under nature protection, much of it forests



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But it is not enough to achieve the goal set by the European leads of State at EU and at Pan-European level: TO HALT THE LOSS OF BIODIVERSITY BY 2010 ???

I believe No!

We need to go beyond just talking to the converted! By the way, I regard forestry, the origo of nature conservation, as 'converted'!