



15 December 2011

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Twenty-first session of the AFWC/EFC/NEFC Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions - Silva Mediterranea (Antalya, Turkey, 2-3 February 2012)**

I am pleased to inform you that the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions - *Silva Mediterranea* will be held in Antalya (*Vogue Avantgarde Hotel*: <http://www.avantgardevoguehotel.com>), Turkey, from 2 to 3 February 2012, back to back with the 20<sup>th</sup> Session of the Near East Forestry and Range Commission and in the context of the Second Near East Forestry Week, that will focus on “**Good Governance of Forests and Rangelands: pillar for food security**” (29 January to 2 February 2012).

Please find attached the provisional agenda of the Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions - *Silva Mediterranea* and the registration form to be returned at your earliest convenience but not later than Monday, 16 January 2012.

Participants at the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of *Silva Mediterranea* are also invited to participate in other events organized as part of the Second Near East Forestry Week, which will also be held in Antalya at Vogue Avantgarde Hotel (29 January to 2 February 2012). I particularly encourage you to participate in the field trip of the Near East Forestry Week to be held on the eve of the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of *Silva Mediterranea*, on Wednesday, 1 February 2012.

All working documents/papers of the sessions will be available in early 2012 on the *Silva Mediterranea* Website at: <http://www.fao.org/forestry/silvamed/4911/en/>. This session of *Silva Mediterranea* will be an opportunity for members to be informed of progress and, to share their views on new initiatives (*State of Mediterranean Forests, Mediterranean Forestry Week, Collaborative Partnership on Mediterranean Forests ...*) launched with the support of several member states since our last meeting in Sofia in April 2008.

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