

## National Center of private forest

- 450 peoples (technician, engineer)
- 18 regional centre
  - Agreement on forest management planning, economics developpment

### 1 R&D institute (IDF)

- 35 peoples, 15 engineer,
- 4 regional offices
- Interface and transfer between research and forest management
- collecting the private forest owners and manager's needs,
  - to assess technical, economic and ecological risks,
- developing consequently applied research programmes
  - sylvicultural techniques and tools,
- disseminating these techniques and tools
  - technical journals and publications, training and awareness programmes.

## **R&D** main topics

### Forestry management

- Adaptation of the forest management to the climate changes (coordination of national network RMT AFORCE)
- Forest ecology and environmental functions (protection of soil and water)
- Biodiversity and habitats, sustainable development, certification
- Non productive functions of forests and socio-economic aspects (Carbon storage, Water quality)

#### Sylvicultural techniques

- Even and uneven-aged plantations; mixed species; companion vegetation, with economics assessment (profitability)
- Specific programme on main species with working groups:
  - Poplar, oak, sweet chestnut, Douglas fir and coniferous...

#### Network of forests owners

- Network of forests organisation to develop innovative forest management technical
- Annual questionnaire on economics decision of private owners among a PFO panel

### Activation of forests owners

- European union objectives:
  - > + 20 % renewable energy by 2020
  - Private forest ownership = 60 % of resource.
- > So, How to harvest more in private forest?
- Activation FO = increase wood supply, not only wood fuel

## Wood fuel facts

- In Finland
  - >20 % of total energy consumption
  - > Wood chips over 1 million toe/year
- In France
  - >6% of total energy consumption
  - > Wood chips: 482 000 toe/year
- In Midi-Pyrénées
  - >> 9% of total energy consumption



## AFO's main objectives

## Increase wood fuel demand and supply in Europe

- >Identification strategic areas where activate FO
  - >Forest resource, private forest, wood fuel demand
- > Establish and coach wood fuel supply clusters
- >Co-operation with wood fuel users, test supply contract: quantity, quality, frequency, price
- ➤ Disseminate and exchange knowledge and know how throughout AFO's partners also in Europe

# AFO's partners

- FINLAND, VTT
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- AUSTRIA, BIOENERGY 2020+
- FRANCE, CNPPF / IDF
- FRANCE, FCBA
- LATVIA, VIDES PROJEKTI
- SLOVENIA, APE
- UNITED KINGDOM, SOUTH YORKSHIRE FOREST PARTNERSHIP
- UNITED KINGDOM, FORESTRY COMMISSION















## AFO's plan of actions

WP1 : Management

#### **Study phases:**

WP2 : Identification of wood fuel supply and suppliers



WP3 : Identification of wood fuel consumption and users

### **Action phases**

WP4 : Establishing clusters of wood fuel suppliers

WP5 : Development and implementation of business relationships between wood fuel supply clusters and users

WP6 : Communication and dissemination

### AFO in France and Finland

- Finland:
  - > VTT
    - **WP1 Leader:** Coordination of the project
    - **WP3 leader**: Identification of wood fuel consumption and users
  - > TAPIO
    - **WP6** Leader: Communication and dissemination
- France
  - > FCBA
    - **WP2 leader**: Identification of wood fuel supply and suppliers
    - ❖ Implement the project in Limousin with technical assistance of Limousin CRPF.
  - > IDF/CNPF
    - **WP2**: Identification of wood fuel supply and suppliers
    - Implement the project in Midi-Pyrénées with technical assistance of Midi-Pyrénées CRPF.

# 2 strategic topics of CNPF/IDF

### Forest Adaptation for climate changes :

- Coordination of national network "AFORCE" (research, forest management, education, development)
  - **❖** Main Objectives: Transfer technical tools, methods to foresters to adapt their forests

### Environmental forest services:

- Carbone storage :
  - ❖ Sylviculture role on carbon sequestration, how much? How to do more?
  - **❖** Contract for voluntary carbon market between private owners organization and industry
- > Water quality:
  - Economic evaluation of forest action on water quality
  - Contract for drink water production in forest
  - **>**Biodiversity