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Dear Mr Ismail Belen,

Subject: Invitation to the twenty-second session of the AFWC/EFC/NEFC Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions - *Silva Mediterranea* (Agadir, Morocco, 22 March 2017)

I am pleased to invite you to attend the twenty-second session of the Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions - *Silva Mediterranea* that will be held in Agadir (Atlantic Palace Hotel: www.atlanticpalace.com), Morocco, on Wednesday 22 March 2017 from 14:30 to 18:30 hours, back to back with the fifth Mediterranean Forest Week that will focus on the restoration of Mediterranean forests and landscapes (20-24 March 2017).

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, 6 March 2017. All working documents/papers of the session will be available by mid-February 2017 on the *Silva Mediterranea* website at: <http://www.fao.org/forestry/silva-mediterranea/88944/en/>. The Session will be conducted in English and French.

Participants at the 22nd Session of the Committee *Silva Mediterranea* are also invited to participate in other events organized as part of the fifth Mediterranean Forest Week, which will also be held in Agadir at Atlantic Palace Hotel from 20 to 24 March 2017 (<http://www.5.medforestweek.org/>).

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This session of the Committee *Silva Mediterranea* will be an opportunity for members to be informed of progress and, to share their views on new initiatives launched with the support of several member states since the previous session in Antalya in February 2012. For further information, please contact:

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I look forward to your participation in this important event and would like to thank all of you for your continued support to *Silva Mediterranea* activities.

Yours faithfully,



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