



Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey

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The Chamber of Forest Engineer of Turkey (OMO)

- Chamber of Forest Engineers (OMO) is one of the non-governmental organization established with Turkish Regulations.
- Beside being an NGO, OMO has “public corporate entity” and “public institute nature” according to the Turkish Constitution . Currently it has approximately 17 thousand (17 000) active members.
- OMO is an organization with a legal personality affiliated to the UNION OF CHAMBERS OF TURKISH ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS. It has its own code approved by the Grand National Assembly of Turkey
- the Chamber has ordinary functions on forestry and foresters’ matters over the country such as:
 - ✓ contribution to preparation/improvement of forestry related policy, strategy, laws, regulations, norms and standards,
 - ✓ Protect and improvement of the rights, authorities and responsibilities of forest engineers,
 - ✓ Preparation and dissemination of forestry related documents, reports, books, visual promotion materials (e.g. quarterly journal of *Forest Engineering*)

Date of Estab.	4 February 1954
Date of Register	4 February 1954
Place of Register	The Official Gazette of Turkey
Institution Nature	<p>OMO, a non-profit NGO, was established within the framework of " 6235 Numbered Turkish Engineer and Architect Chambers Union Law" published at Turkey's Official Gazette dated 4 February 1954. According to Turkish Legislation this date is the establishment and registry date of OMO.</p> <p>OMO has also "Main Regulation" beside the Law which was also published at Turkey's Official Gazette. The Main Regulation establishes the structure, working principles and procedures of OMO.</p> <p>Since the OMO was established by law, there is no separate declaration of establishment or charter. This "Main Regulation" replaces "Charter of OMO"</p>
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Members of OMO

- Beside the Foundation Law, there is another Law No. 5531 entitled “**The Law on Forest Engineers, Forest Industrial Engineers and Woodworking Industrial Engineers.**” dated July 8, 2006 has been published in Turkish Official Gazette.
- According to this Law Numbered 5531, OMO is the legal representative of three different professional groups as follows:
 - Forest Engineers,
 - Forest Industrial Engineers,
 - and Woodworking Industrial Engineers.
- A large number of its members work in forestry related departments of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.
- These Institutes are as follows;
 - a) General Directorate of Forests,
 - b) General Directorate of Nature Conservation and National Parks,
 - c) General Directorate of Combating Desertification and Erosion.
- In addition, there are members working in public institutions such as General Directorate of State Hydraulic Works and General Directorate of Highways.
- On the other hand, there are members working in their own workplace and working in private sector companies. There are 800 offices and companies registered to OMO and continuing their business life.

Management of OMO

- The main management mechanism of the Chamber of Forest Engineers is "**General Assembly**" held every two years.
- The executive body is the "Board of Directors". The last General Assembly was held in April 2018 and the Board of Directors Chaired by Hasan Türkyılmaz was elected.
- The Headquarter of OMO is in Ankara, which is the capital city of Turkey as well. In addition to headquarters (Center) of OMO, there are 13 "branches" located in different places of Turkey. <https://www.ormuh.org.tr/subeler>
- These branches are established or removed by the OMO General Assembly according to regional situations and the number of members.
- The management of each branch is determined by its members in a completely democratic election.
- In addition to the branches, there are OMO representatives in the relevant Faculties, regions and provinces. These representatives are assigned by the OMO Board of Directors.

Budget and National Cooperation

- OMO meets all expenses with its own means. The main source of income is the membership fees. All members must pay the membership fee.
- OMO has its own web page <https://www.ormuh.org.tr/> and periodicals. <https://www.ormuh.org.tr/post/yeni-dergimiz-cikti>
- OMO has close cooperation with the State Institutions including the Ministry of Agriculture and Forest.
- The Director General of Forest, the Director General of Nature Protection and National Parks as well as the Director General of Combating Desertification are member of OMO.
- In Turkey OMO organize several meetings, conferences and training programmes.

International Cooperation

- In addition to the activities in Turkey, OMO, is working actively in the international arena. According to its legislation, OMO is authorized to cooperate internationally, to carry out projects and to establish partnerships.
- It has close cooperation with United Nations agencies including FAO.
- In 2018, OMO was the chair of the Council of European Foresters. OMO Participates in "Forest Europe" meetings. It's is an active member of the Union of European Foresters (<http://european-foresters.eu/meetings/gcm/74,6>)
- It is also an accredited Non-Governmental Organisation to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification. (UNCCD) <https://knowledge.unccd.int/cso/turkish-chamber-forest-engineers>
- It has applied to be a member of *International Union for Conservation of Nature-IUCN*

OMO's international memberships and collaborations



Cooperation with FAO

- OMO signed a Letter of Agreement with FAO at 11 March 2019.
- **Under this Agreement, as *Service Provider*, OMO undertook two training activities in March and April for Kyrgyz participants**
 - Nursery Plant and Management, Sapling Production with Closed Root System and Afforestation Techniques.
 - Provision with Training of Forest Pests and Diseases.
- The last training program on “Forest Fire preparation, early warning, fire fighting, post-fire rehabilitation, computer-based fire management system” is going to be undertake 17-26 June 2019 at Antalya Forestry Training and Simulation Center

FAO Budget Code:
GRMS Supplier Number:
PO Number :

Your Ref.:

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

Between

the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (“FAO”)

and

Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey

Ankara, Turkey

For provision of trainings on various subjects for the employees of forest enterprises of the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry (SAEPF) in the Kyrgyz Republic, within the project
GCP/KYR/010/GFF

“Sustainable Management of Mountainous Forest and Land Resources under Climate Change Conditions”

1. Introduction

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as “FAO”) and Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey (hereinafter referred to as the “Service Provider”) (together hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”) have agreed that the Service Provider will provide certain services defined in **detail** in the attached Annex (the “Services”) which forms an integral part of this Letter of Agreement (hereinafter the “Agreement”) in support of project GCP/KYR/010/GFF “Sustainable Management of Mountainous Forest and Land Resources under Climate Change Conditions”. To enable


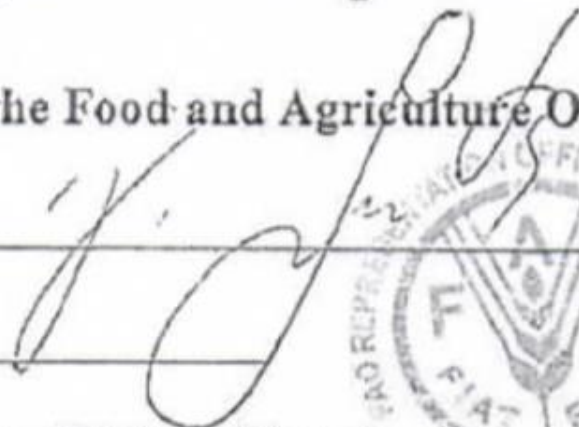
11. Amendments.

Any changes or amendments to this Agreement shall be made in writing and on the basis of mutual consent of the signatories to this Agreement.

Signed on behalf of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations:

Signature: _____

Date: _____



FAO REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN KYRGYZSTAN
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Mr. Viorel Gutu, FAOR ad interim in the Kyrgyz Republic, SRC

Signed on behalf of the Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Mr. Hasan Türkyılmaz, *President of Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey*

The Service Provider will sign two copies of this Agreement and return one to the Responsible Officer.

A new LoA with FAO is coming soon!

- Under the FAO-Turkey Forestry Partnership Program, during the Second Steering Committee meeting was held 26th of November 2018, the Committee approved the concept note of the Project entitled «Restoration of Degraded Forests and other Lands in Central Asian Countries».
- Further, the Committee decided to make this concept note a full project text by the Chamber of Forest Engineers.
- The project writing work is planned to be completed by **November 2019**.

International Symposium- 2/5 December 2019

- The Chamber of Forest Engineers has been organizing the “Nature and Forestry Symposium Towards 2023” for many years.
- As the continuation of this tradition, the fifth edition was held on 2-5 December 2018 in Antalya/Turkey.
- The theme of the symposium was “ ***The Role of “Public-Civil Society-Private Sector Cooperation and International Partnerships” in Achieving Sustainable Development Goals and Global Forest Goals***”



Signing Ceremony of «Declaration of Intention» with NGOs

- During that international symposium several cooperation protocols were signed between NGOs from different countries

Preamble, Purpose and Scope

- Preamble:
 - Forests, which are the common assets of the whole world, are vital for many issues such as the well-being and happiness of humanity, conservation of biodiversity, adaptation to climate change, energy, and water and food security.
 - Forests are one of the key sectors in achieving the “2030 Sustainable Development Goals” adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015.
 - “The United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030 (UNSPF)” and “The Six Global Forest Goals and 26 Associated Targets ” adopted in 2017 have set a global road map for forests and forestry in achieving sustainable development goals.
 - Achieving these goals requires a common understanding and cooperation at national and international level between all sectors, including the public, private sector, academic circles and non-governmental organizations.
 - In this context, Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey and the (hereinafter referred to as Parties) have signed this Declaration of Intention to cooperate with the principles and procedures set out below.
- Purpose: The purpose of this Declaration of Intention is to determine the principles and procedures of co-operation.
- Scope: This “Declaration of Intention” encompasses the matters contained in this text. Additional agreements may be made if the Parties agreed upon them.

No	Country	Name of the NGO	Web Page
1	Albania	ALBAFOREST CENTER Arnavutluk-Alba Forest	www.albaforest.com
2	Azerbaijan	Natural Wealth and Ecology Workers Trade Union Republic Committee Azerbaycan-English Azerbaycan-Türkçe Azerbaycan-копия	http://ahik.org
3	Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	The Association of Hunting Organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina Bosnia-Avcılar	http://www.slobih.ba/
4	Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	The Independent Trade Union of Forestry, Wood Processing and Paper of Bosnia and Herzegovina-	http://ssspdp.ba/

5	Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Forestry Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	http://usitfbih.ba/
6	Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Beekeepers Union of Sarajevo Bosnia-Beekeepers	
7	France	The International Association for Mediterranean Forests (AIFM)	http://aifm.org/en
8	Kyrgyzstan	KYRGYZ ASSOCIATION OF FOREST AND LAND USERS Kirgizistan-Kyrgyz-Kaflu MoU	http://www.landuse-association.kg/
9	Hungary	The Trade Union of Forestry and Wood Industry Workers	http://efdsz.hu/
10	Romania	SILVA TRADE UNION FEDERATION Romanya-Federatia Silva	https://federatiasilva.ro/

11	Romania	<p>The “Forest Progress” Society <u>Romania-Progresul Silvic</u></p>	<p>http://progresulsilvic.ro/</p>
12	Turkey	<p>Association of Forestry Faculties <u>ORFAMDER-3 Aralık 2018</u></p>	<p>http://www.orfamder.org/</p>
13	Turkey	<p>ÖZ ORMAN-İŞ TRADE UNION OF FOREST, AGRICULTURE, HUNTING AND FISHERY of the Republic of Turkey <u>OMO- z Orman 3 Aralık 2018</u></p>	<p>http://www.ozorman-is.org.tr</p>
14	Turkey	<p>TOÇ BİR-SEN Trade Union of Agriculture and Forest Civil Servants Association</p>	<p>https://www.tocbirsen.org.tr/</p>