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## Invitation to "Forêt2019", the Joint Session of the ECE Committee in Forest and Forest Industries (COFFI) and the FAO European Forestry Commission (EFC)

Geneva, Switzerland, 4-8 November 2019

Dear Mr. Belen,

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I have the honour to invite you as a speaker to Forêt2019, the Joint Session of the ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry (COFFI) and the FAO European Forestry Commission (EFC), which will be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, from 4 to 7 November 2019.

The theme selected for the Joint Session is "Forests and the Circular Economy", and will feature:

- A whole day of panel discussions on Forests and the Circular Economy a way to help achieve enhanced forest benefits (UNFF Global Forest Goal 2)
- Global and regional policy developments and their impact on the regional forestry agenda;
- Recent wood related markets developments, as well as forecasts for 2020 on the basis
  of the Forest Products Annual Market Review;
- Discussions on emerging invasive species risk to European forests

I would like to invite you to present on the low impact harvesting in Turkey and its meaning for the forest sector in the circular economy, during the session "Forests and the Circular Economy", which will take place on Monday, 4 November 2019 in the morning.

The session will discuss the concept of the circular economy, associated concepts and how they relate to the forest sector.

The Joint Session will be conducted in English, French, and Russian.

Mr. Ismail Belen, Member, Chamber of Forest Engineers of Turkey

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The Provisional Annotated Agenda with tentative timetable is attached. All relevant documents of the meeting and additional information are available at <a href="http://www.unece.org/forests/foret2019">http://www.unece.org/forests/foret2019</a>.

I kindly ask you to register online at: <u>https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=IJrPng</u>.

For further information regarding your presentation on 4 November, please contact Ms. Alicja Kacprzak (<u>alicja.kacprzak@un.org</u>. tel: +41 (0) 22 917 1375).

I thank you for your kind consideration to participate and speak at Forêt2019.

Looking forward to seeing you in Geneva

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Yours sincerely aola Deda

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