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Subject: Invitation to the Twenty-fourth Session of the AFW/EFC/NEFC Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions – *Silva Mediterranea* (Antalya, Turkey, 21-25 March 2022)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to invite you to attend the Twenty-fourth Session of the Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions – *Silva Mediterranea* that will be held in Antalya (Limak Limra Hotel & Resort: <https://www.limakhotels.com/limak-limra-hotel-resort>), Turkey, from 21 to 25 March 2022. The Session will be held in a hybrid mode, with the possibility to attend remotely if you are unable to travel.

This session of the Committee 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 Brummana, Lebanon, in April 2019. Of particular importance will be the point of the implementation and progress of the Agadir Commitment and Alignment of *Silva Mediterranea* Committee with the United Nations (UN) Decade on Ecosystem Restoration and possible flagship on the Mediterranean region.

Participants at the Twenty-fourth Session of the Committee *Silva Mediterranea* are also invited to participate in other events organized as part of the Seventh Mediterranean Forest Week, which will also be held in Antalya at the Limak Limra Hotel & Resort from 21 to 25 March 2022 (<https://vii-med.forestweek.org/>). The key theme of the Seventh Mediterranean Forest week will be "Forest and ecosystem restoration for the next Mediterranean generations".

Please find attached the provisional Agenda of the Twenty-fourth Session of the Committee on Mediterranean Forestry Questions – *Silva Mediterranea* and the registration form to be returned at your earliest convenience, but not later than 14 March 2022. All working documents/papers of the session will be made available by mid-March 2022. The Session will be conducted in English, French and Turkish. For further information, please contact the Secretariat of *Silva Mediterranea* at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) (silva-mediterranea@fao.org).

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

Yours sincerely,

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