

Introduction to the meeting

2nd TG meeting – 31 May 2023

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Objectives of the 2nd meeting

- Share experiences related to various initiatives
- Discuss the potential benefits of networking, cooperation, and using CAP funding
- Formulate recommendations for the local, regional/national, and EU levels,
- Explore future opportunities for networking among TG members and stimulate ideas for future engagement

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Summary of key considerations



Needs and
issues

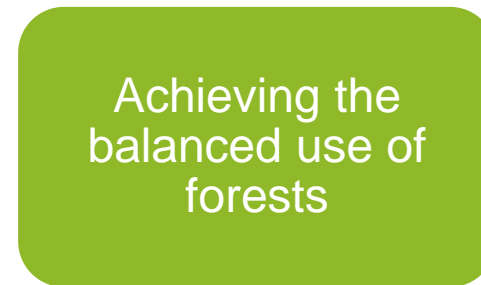
Socio-economic aspects

Embeddedness in the local economy

Public awareness of the multiple benefits of
forests

Policy and political considerations

Balancing multiple uses and interests



Achieving the
balanced use of
forests

The role of partnerships and networking

The role of science and research

Sustainable forest management and
balancing the various uses of forests by
different stakeholders

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Good practices collected

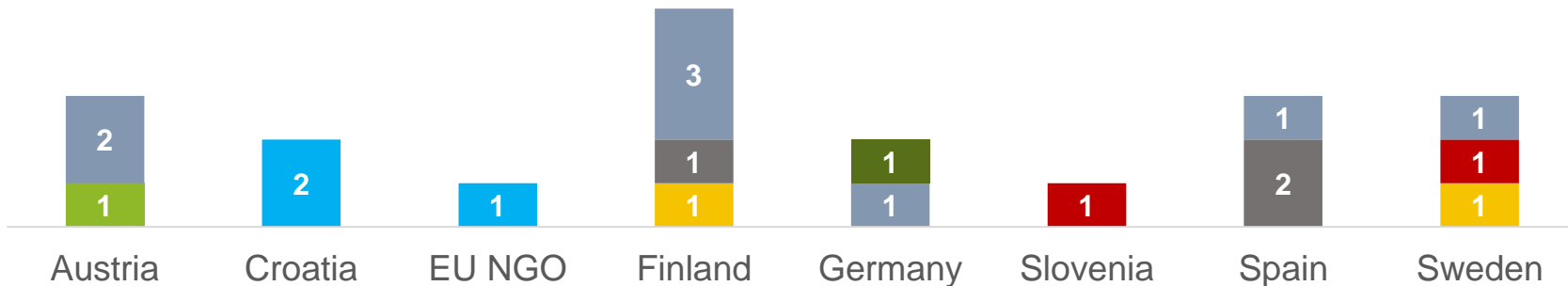
- › 20 good practices submitted,
- › from Austria, Croatia, Finland, Germany, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and an EU NGO (Pro Silva Europe),
- › 13 EU-funded (EIP-AGRI, other CAP funding, INTERREG, HORIZON, other)
- › In 16 initiatives forest-owners, their associations and other stakeholders (e.g., municipalities, environmental NGOs, local citizens, research institutes, other) worked together in partnership,
- › Various levels of cooperation – from local to cross-border and EU level.

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Good practices – level of cooperation

- EU level / between Member States
- Local level
- Local and regional level
- Local, regional, and EU level
- Member State level
- Regional level
- Regional level and Member-State level

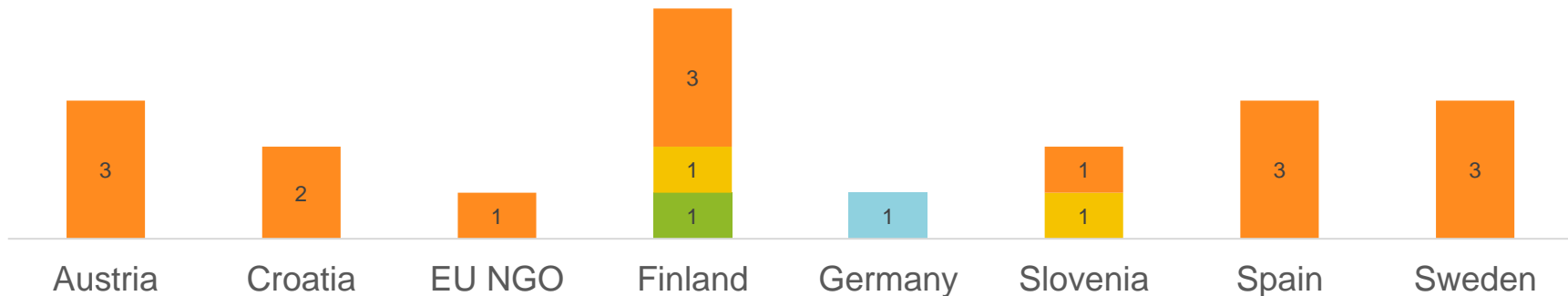


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Good practices – type of initiative

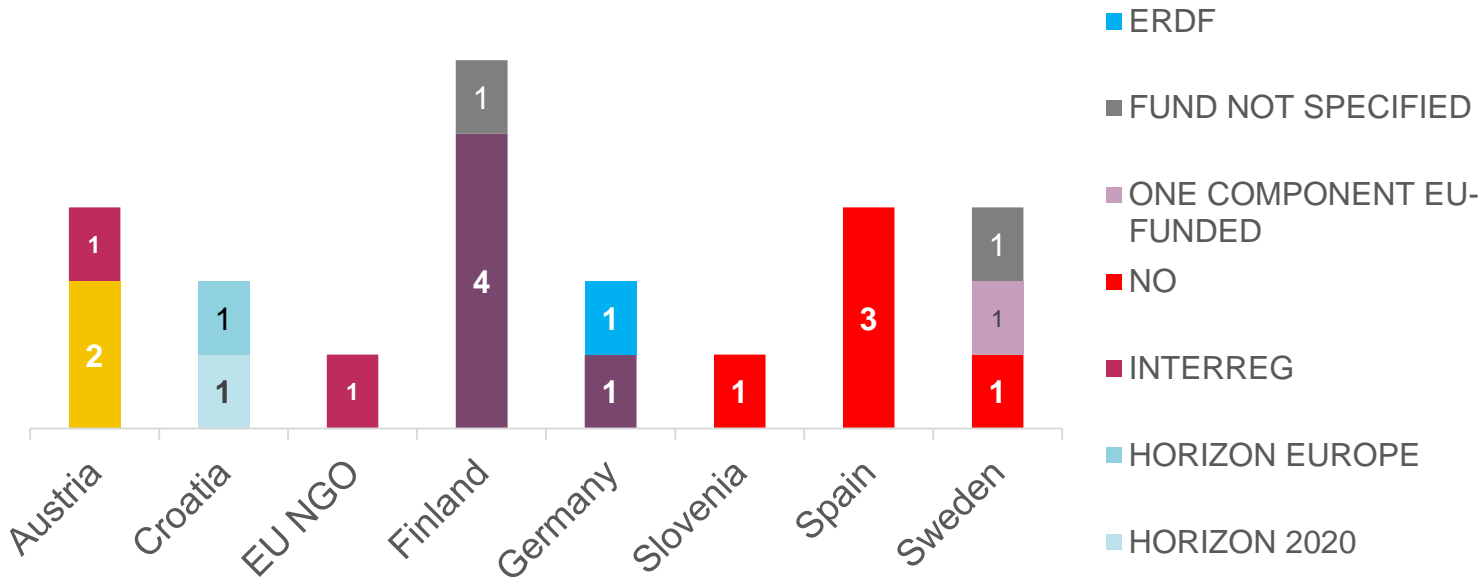
- Provision of funding mechanism and guidelines for forestry measures
- Forest-owners, their associations and other stakeholders (e.g., municipalities, environmental NGOs, local citizens, research institutes, other) working together in partnership.
- Forest-owners working together.
- Education of forest owners (generation change)




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Good practices – funding used



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TG outputs planned

- › 20 good practices,
- › TG meeting reports,
- › Case studies based on the good practices,
- › Enhanced networking between TG members,
- › Enhanced engagement with the EU Forestry Strategy

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The Rural Revitalisation Platform

- › Foreseen in the Communication, as an **action under the “Stronger” pillar of the Rural Action Plan**
- › **Collaborative tool** for and by all revitalisation actors
- › **Features** defined based on the needs expressed by the different types of stakeholders:
 - › Finding information
 - › Interacting with peers
 - › Sharing & learning
 - › Trustability, accuracy, transparency
- › **Official launch on 29 June 2023**, at the Policy lab on rural revitalisation
- › Want to be a forerunner? Get in touch!
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Agenda

Opening, introduction (09:00 – 09:30)

Good practices from forest-dominant rural areas and projects (09:30 – 10:30)

Coffee break (10:30 – 10:45)

Interactive session – delivering multiple benefits from forests (10:45 – 11:45)

Reporting back and finalising TG recommendations (11:45 – 12:15)

Discussion – continued networking based on the work of the TG (12:15 – 12:50)

Conclusions (12:50 – 13:00)

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