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## outline



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## „Technische Daten“



- **Total Cost:** 3,818,788.71 €
- **EC Contribution:** 2,991,077.00 €
- **Duration:** 36 months
- **Start Date:** 01/02/2012
- **Consortium:** 16 partner institutions (12 countries)
- **SMEs:** 4







**Idee & Vision**

ARANGETE PROJECT

- Analyse von **Potentialen und Limits** derzeitiger und alternativer zukünftiger Konzepte für die Bergwaldbewirtschaftung zur Bereitstellung von **Portfolios an Ökosystemleistungen** unter aktuellen und zukünftigen klimatischen und sozio-ökonomischen Bedingungen
- Identifizierung von **Risiken** and **Unsicherheiten**
- Transfer von wissenschaftlichem Know How zur Bereitstellung von Ökosystemleistungen aus Bergwäldern in **praktische Entscheidungsunterstützung** für **Policy Maker und Waldmanager**

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## Konzept




- **Die 4 wesentlichen Säulen von ARANGE sind:**
  - (1) 7 regionale Fallstudiengebiete
  - (2) starke Stakeholder Partizipation in allen Regionen,
  - (3) state-of-the-art Simulationsmodelle zur szenario-basierten Prognose der Waldentwicklung und Quantifizierung von Ökosystemleistungen
  - (4) innovative Instrumente zur Planung und Entscheidungsunterstützung

➤ **die 7 Fallstudiengebiete**

- Repräsentieren die Vielfalt an ökologischen & sozio-ökonomischen Bedingungen in Europäischen Bergwäldern
- Stellen den Rahmen dar für vergleichende Analysen von Bewirtschaftungskonzepten, Policy Framework & Governance Systemen
- Bieten die Möglichkeit, spezifische Probleme und Lösungen zu demonstrieren






## Fallstudienregionen

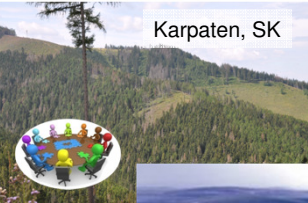





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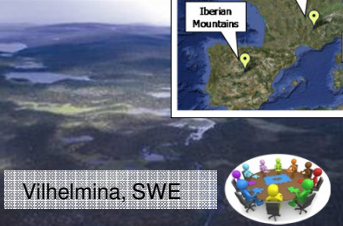
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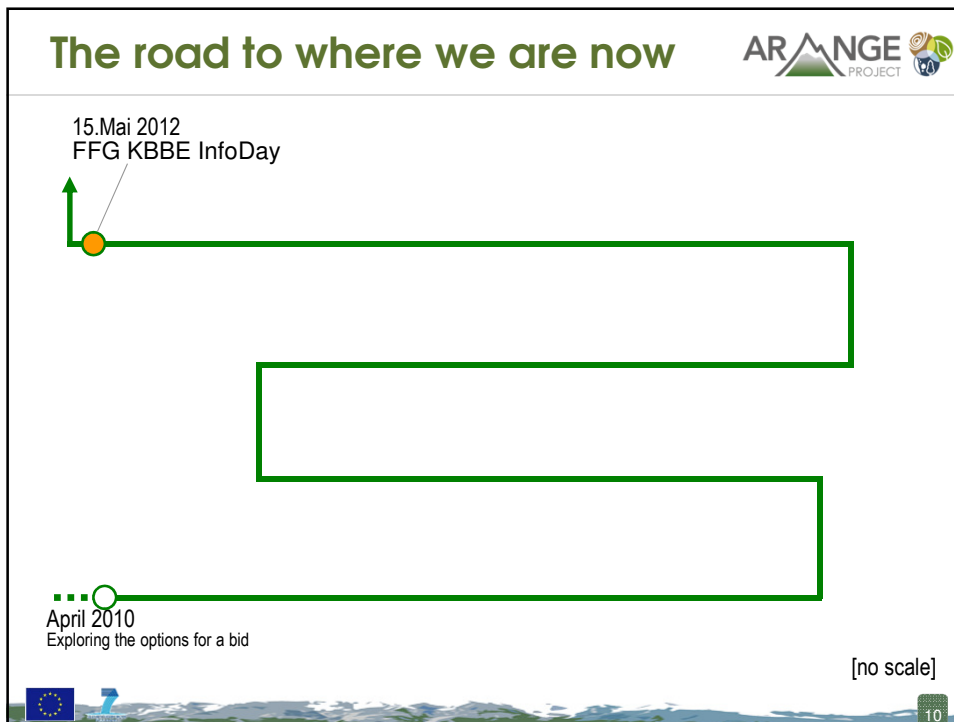
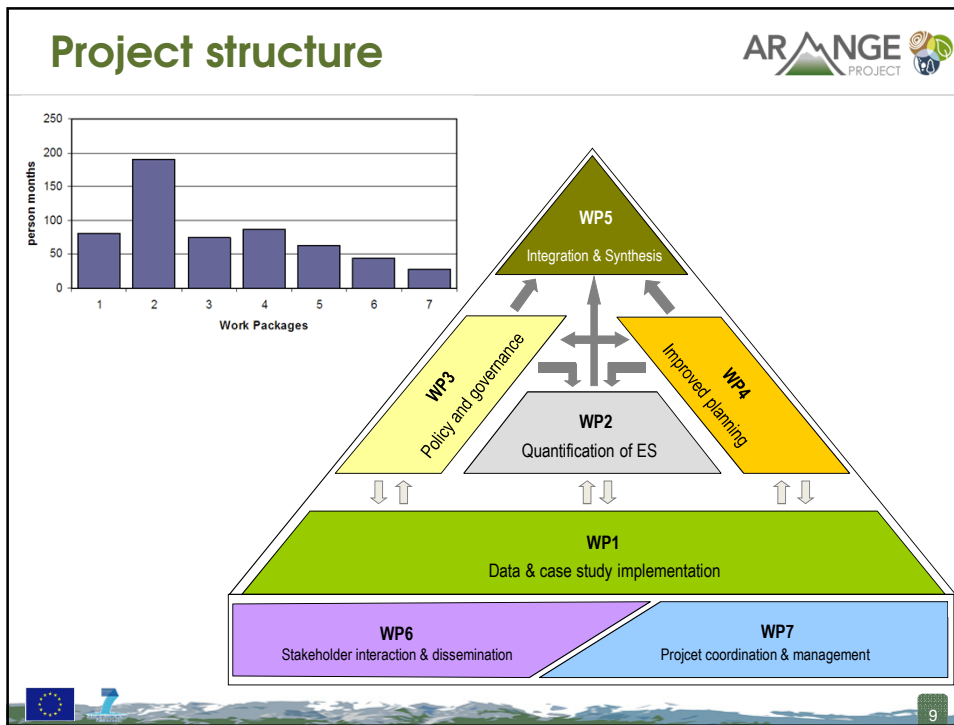
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## the call text...



neu 1/6/2010 (C)

**KBBE-2011.1.2-07: Preserving the multifunctionality of European Mountain forests**

**Call: FP7-KBBE-2011-5**

Besides producing economic goods (wood and non-wood products) and delivering important ecological services such as soil protection or protection against natural hazards (flooding, landslides, etc), forests in Europe's high mountains store vast amounts of carbon in old trees, deadwood and soils. Mountain forests are especially sensitive to climate change and significant alterations in the potential distribution of species are projected for the future. Higher temperatures and changes in snowfall patterns will also make mountain forests more vulnerable to pests and diseases.




Under these increasing pressures, there is a need to assist mountain communities in managing adequately their forests to meet the various demands coming from economic activities (e.g. feeding sawmills and bio-energy), environmental protection (e.g. conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services, protection against natural hazards) and preserving natural carbon stocks. The project will provide a set of advanced management tools, policy recommendations, guidelines and/or multi-criteria decision support systems specifically applicable to mountain forests in different regions in Europe. This includes modelling of forest stand development (stand dynamics with and without management activities), policy tools for forest treatment (including harvesting, reduction of potential negative impacts on soils and protective functions, choice of tree species for regeneration), planning of management practices as well as proposals for adequate dissemination activities, planning will help policy makers and forest managers to make the most appropriate choices when managing and further developing mountain forests in order to fulfil all socio-economic and environmental functions.

**Funding scheme:** Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs).


**Additional eligibility criteria:**

- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000.
- SME-targeted Collaborative Projects will only be selected for funding on the condition that the estimated EU contribution going to SME(s) is 15% or more of the total estimated EU contribution for the project as a whole. *This will be assessed at the end of the negotiations, before signature of the grant agreement. Proposals not fulfilling this criterion will not be funded.*

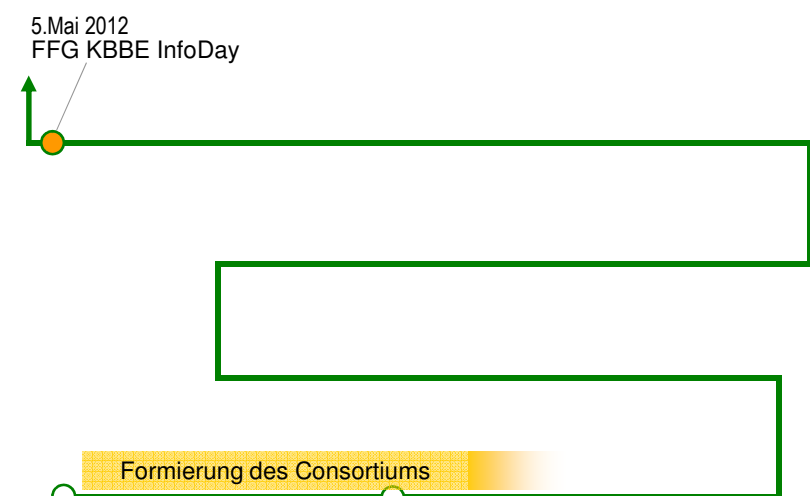
**Expected impact:** The project will contribute to the development of strategies to foster economic activities and employment in more marginal mountain regions (e.g. contributing to safer, faster and more economical harvesting methods under difficult circumstances like steep slopes) and to help preserve important environmental functions of European forests (e.g. halting loss of erosion, carbon sequestration). It will contribute to the development of international and European commitments for the future.

## The road to where we are now



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**Formierung des Consortiums**


April 2010  
Exploring the options for a bid

Juli 2010  
Meeting of core group at BOKU




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Formierung des Consortiums  
**Prinzipien & Strategien**

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- **es gibt nur eine beschränkte Anzahl an Partnern**
- **Sie sollten Bescheid wissen (...)**
  - Wer sind die „key player“?
  - Wer sind die „guten“ Partner?
    - Kompetenz
    - Zuverlässigkeit
    - good vibrations
- **ohne Grundidee für das Proposal keine Consortiumsbildung**
- **Wer übernimmt die Koordination?**


**SMEs....**

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- **Warum sollte ein SME mitwirken?**
  - persönliches Interesse der CEOs
  - Wettbewerbsvorteile in der eigenen Domain
    - Zugang zu neuestem KnowHow & tools
  - kein „Gewinn“ aus dem Projekt selber zu erwarten
    - Cost models (...)




  

## das ARANGE Consortium




No.	Participant organisation name	Short name	country
1 *	Universität für Bodenkultur Wien	BOKU	Austria
2	Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich	ETHZ	Switzerland
3	Centre National du Machinisme Agricole, du Génie Rural, des Eaux et Forêts	CEMAGREF	France
4	Technische Universität München	TUM	Germany
5	Swedish Agricultural University	SLU	Sweden
6	University of Ljubljana	UL	Slovenia
7	National Forest Centre	NFC	Slovakia
8	Forest Research Institute	FRI-Sofia	Bulgaria
9	Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Tecnología Agraria y Alimentaria	INIA	Spain
10	European Forest Institute	EFI	International
11	Universität Graz	UNIGRAZ	Austria
12 <sup>a</sup>	Institute of Forest Ecosystem Research	IFER	Czech Republic
13 <sup>a</sup>	GEO Experts Ltd.	GEO	Austria
14 <sup>a</sup>	Stichting BirdLife Europe	BLE	Netherlands
15 <sup>a</sup>	Aranzada GF	ARANZADA	Spain
16 <sup>a</sup>	RTD Services	RTDS	Austria

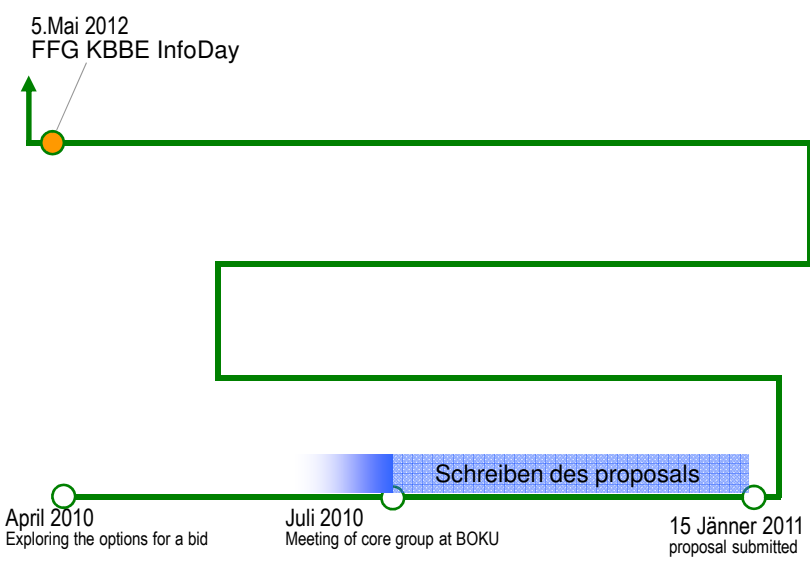
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## The road to where we are now



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Schreiben des proposals

April 2010  
Exploring the options for a bid

Juli 2010  
Meeting of core group at BOKU

15 Jänner 2011  
proposal submitted

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das proposal

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ARANGE KBBE.2011.1.2-07: Preserving the multifunctionality of European Mountain forests

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Proposed full title:  
Advanced multifunctional forest management

Proposed acronym:  
ARANGE

Type of funding scheme:  
Collaborative Project  
(small or medium-scale focused research)

Work programme topics addressed:  
KBBE.2011.1.2-07: Preserving the multifunctionality of European Mountain forests

Name of the coordinating person:  
Prof. Dr Manfred J. Lexer

List of participants:


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1	Universität für Bodenkultur Wien
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6	University of Ljubljana
7	National Forest Centre
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**Work package number** 6 **Start date of work package** 01/01/2012

**Work package title** Evaluation of restoration of Decision Support

Participant short name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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**Objectives**

The goal of this work package is the facilitation of stakeholder interactions in the case study regions through support and the dissemination of findings. To achieve these goals (W6) will:

- involve stakeholders to address information needs of forest management form management about multiple ecosystem services within the frame of sustainable forest management (SFM) to guide the study design in the case study regions and to incorporate stakeholder needs in the development of the web-based Decision Support Tool;
- facilitate interactions and their requirements and to promote a wide range of decision support in multifunctional mountain forest management to synthesise key findings from other work packages for various dissemination purposes;
- disseminate synthesized knowledge and findings from other WPs via a variety of dissemination pathways including the web-based Decision Support Tool;
- to organize and coordinate training activities in improved forest management planning within the project team.

**Description of work**

**T6.1 Stakeholder interaction (lead: EF)**

As a prerequisite for support and decision guidance and transfer, stakeholders will be invited to identify key knowledge gaps, information needs, current management approaches, assets and future demand for ES as well as current and future stakeholder interaction with ES, (a) focus research efforts within ARANGE, (b) help in mapping current management practices (c) provide activities and required guidance profiles for the assessment of value-based trade-offs in ES, and (d) provide a working board for regional recommendations regarding forest management.

Planned activities in all case study regions stakeholder panels will be established to provide realistic needs and concrete context for the analysis of multifunctionality in mountain forest management across Europe. These panels will include facilitators of forest ecosystem services, local citizens, forest managers as well as public makers and law enforcement representatives in line with national policies. For each case study region a main-organizing working group (lead manager) will be responsible for organizing contacts with the stakeholders and will also assist in mapping the stakeholder landscape. In each case study region a **study team** will be established, comprising of the site manager, responsible working on specific multifunctionality issues, and key stakeholders related to the regions. Members will work to build shared goals in an agreement conference or social learning and facilitate bridging gaps between scientific disciplines and between areas of ARANGE experts and researchers. Furthermore, a **study design** will be formed comprising of the site manager, the WPs of T6 and W7, and the project coordinator led by the leader of W7. The study design will coordinate activities across case studies and communication through of case study teams as well as the areas of activities at other WPs, in line with W7 on relevant synthesis and integration issues, and within the development and implementation of the DS Tool in W9. To foster stakeholder

**T6.2 Dissemination (lead: EF)**

The task aims at successful dissemination of ARANGE outputs for multifunctional mountain forest management in a range of potential users. To achieve this task we will (a) identify user groups and their requirements and to promote a wide range of decision support in multifunctional mountain forest management, and (b) develop and implement a detailed communication and dissemination plan including quality control of dissemination material. W6 will produce a dissemination production for transfer from (i) stakeholders, (ii) case managers, (iii) case managers, and (iv) case managers. The specific needs of ARANGE must be presented in user-group specific format and so on in order to achieve high visibility and impact. Building on ARANGE domain knowledge on a regional design (e.g. visual image, templates) we will ensure the dissemination and outreach material will have a uniform and easily recognizable visual design.

**T6.3 Implementing and maintaining a project web portal (lead: BOZEL)**

A project web portal will be designed and implemented as internal and external communication means and to foster visibility of the project. Products of ARANGE will be available via the web portal, such as the Decision Support Tool Box, for external multifunctional mountain forest management planning. A web-based communication of project COP will be implemented to facilitate a continuous communication between the partners of ARANGE and external stakeholders and users of ARANGE products. The web portal will be linked to all major activities (e.g. Mountain Research Initiative, COORDINATOR) and project dealing with mountain forest and multifunctional forest management (e.g. MOUNT, FORUM, EUROPE). The website will be maintained in line with user requirements by BOZEL.

**T6.4 Education and training (lead: BOZEL, co-lead: TUMI)**

Key and educational, to foster social learning processes and education in social for ARANGE, to raise awareness and understanding, approaches and methods to be utilized as regional and local level, which requires communication, education and training. Training workshops for forest managers and SMEs in selected regions on forest ecosystem services and on a case study panel/level to be organized in order to improve the designed ARANGE planning tools and findings (e.g. Decision Support Tool Box, revised national/regional management guidelines) to potential partners and to ensure the visibility of ARANGE output. Efficiency, to implement training and education for forest users and improve forest management and dissemination.


**T6.5 Explication (lead: EF, co-lead: BOZEL)**

An explication plan will be set up to foster the implementation and further use of project outcomes, mountain forest management (e.g. Decision Support Tool Box) and facilitate the explication for SMEs, decision makers and policy-makers. Design and following activities are to be addressed and planned in different stages of the project life cycle. The explication plan incorporates explicit stakeholder needs and identifies WPs, in particular in relation with SME partners.



**Deliverables:**

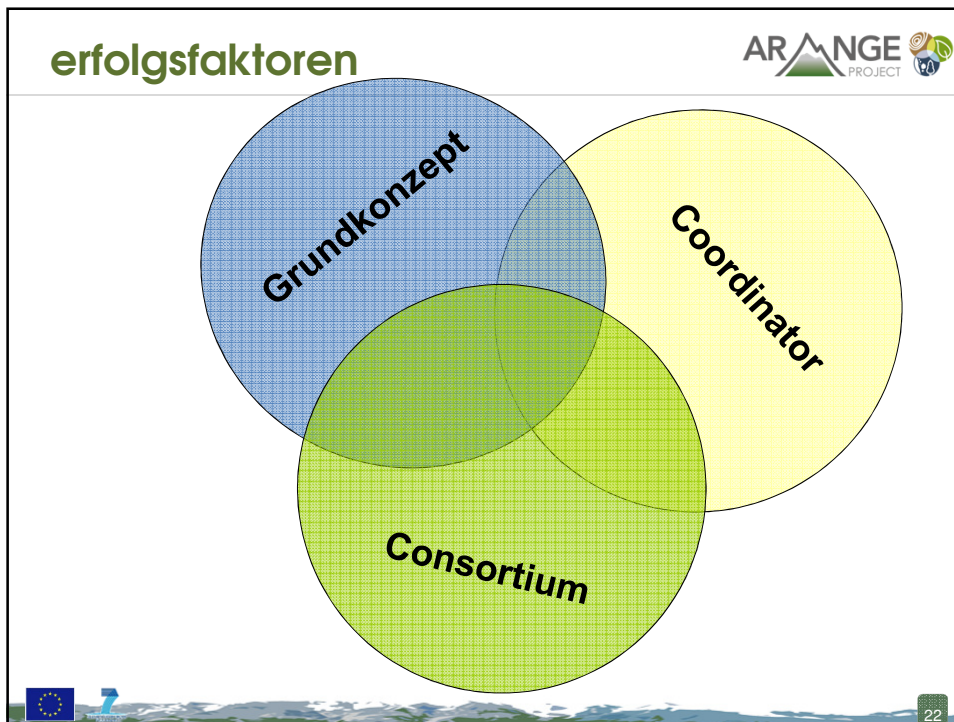
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- D6.4 Explication plan (03)
- D6.5 Open international conference on multifunctional mountain forestry (04)
- D6.6 Completion of training and education material incl. DS Tool Box (06)

# das proposal



- **Kerntext stammt von wenigen key partnern**
- **(kleine) Beiträge von (fast) allen partnern**
  - responsibility & ownership
- **die Hauptelemente des proposals**
  - Scientific & technical quality
    - eigene originale Ideen
    - Basis: SoA
    - Konsistenz und Essenz der Arbeitspakete!
  - Management
    - Standardtextbausteine
    - Formulierung sollte top sein
  - Impact
    - Sehr wichtig!!
    - kann ohne Vorlagen aufwendig werden (...)
- **budget follows tasks!**

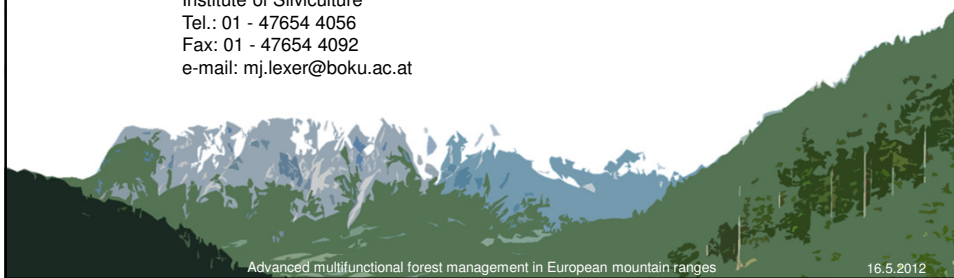







## Happy projects!

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