



European Commission and forest monitoring

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History

- Member states agreed upon the European Union scheme on the protection of forests against atmospheric pollution in 1986 → COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 3528/86 on 17 Nov. 1986
 - 1987-1992 (Level I)
- Forest fire regulations from 1986 onwards



History

- **Several regulations 1986-2002**
 - 1987-1992
 - 1992-1996
 - 1997-2001
 - 2002
- **Commission's support during 1987-2002:**
 - ~ 90 million € to air pollutions effects (inventories and pilot projects)
 - ~ 150 million € to forest fire prevention
- **From DG AGRI to DG ENV**
 - Forest Focus 2003-2006
 - 61 million € (of which 9 million € to forest fire prevention)



Future?

■ LIFE+

- 2007-2013
- ~ 2 billion €
- Replaces LIFE Environment and Forest Focus
- Commission has set-up working groups to plan the future forest monitoring scheme
 - ICP Forests, ENFIN, UNECE/FAO, MSs...
- Results to be presented in December
- MSs have no obligations for forest monitoring



Thank you
for your attention