Conditions in Slovenia

- area - 2 million ha
- 60% territory is covered by forest
- alpine and pre-alpine region
- steep terrain
- 300,000 forest owners
- average property - 2.3 ha
- growing stock 215 m3/ha
- increment 5.6 m3/ha
1990 split on public service and enterprises

1993 Act of state forest fond

1993 Forest act

1994 Slovenia forest service

1996 The development programme

1999 Chamber act

2003 Forestry part of Chamber
Forest act

- General remarks
- Forestry planning
- Forest management
  - tending
  - protection
- Forest roads
- Public forest service
- Slovenia forest service
- Research
- Inspection
The development programme of forests

- Slovenian forests and forestry
- Long term goals
- Strategy of close to nature forest management
- Operational part of the programme
Basis of forest management

- Forest management plans
  - Programme
  - FMP regional units
  - FMP forestry m. units
  - Silicultural plans
  - Wildlife plans
Subjects in forestry

- Forest owners
  - Private,
  - State - fond,
  - Local communities, …
- State (MKGP)
- Public forest service (SFS, SFI)
- Concessionars
- Educational institutions
Structure of ownership

- denationalisation
- Expecting proportion
  20 state: 80 private
Structure of property

% of properties by size:

- > 1 ha: 63%
- 1 - 5 ha: 27%
- 5 - 10 ha: 6%
- 10 - 30 ha: 3%
- 30 - 100 ha: 1%
- < 100 ha: 0%
Legislation background

- Forest act and regulations (sub laws) – 1993, 2002
- Forest Development Programme - 1996
Organization of SFS

- Central Unit
- 14 Regional Units
- 93 Local Units
- 409 District Units
- 9 (10) state game reserve
- 740 employees
Organizacija Zavoda za gozdove Slovenije
- sedež območnih in krajevnih enot
- meje gojitvenih lovišč
Fields of work - departments

- Forestry extension and public relations
- Forestry planning
- Silviculture and forest protection
- Forestry technique
- Wildlife and hunting
- Information
Bodies of SFS

- Council
- Director
- Professional council
Bodies of regional units

- Council of RU
- Leadres of RU
- Professional council of RU
Resources for work of SFS

- Budget of the Republic of Slovenia
- Sale of services to others
- Grants, gifts and other resources
Tasks of SFS

- Collecting data
- Keeping records
- Monitoring
- Forest protection
- Tasks of reporting, prognostic and diagnostic service
- Professional basis for the Development programme of forests
- Forest and wildlife management plans
- Forest roads’ – opening up and maintenance
- Ensuring the popularization of forests
- Extension for forest owners
Forest Management Planning

- Forest development program
- Regional FMP
- FMP for forest management unit
- Sivicultural plan
Collecting data
Keeping records

Original four layers
- forest compartments
- forest stands
- forest functions
- permanent sample plots
Monitoring

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Silviculture

- Silvicultural plans
- Tending of young forests
- Regeneration
- Subsidies
- Tree marking
Forest protection

- Insects protection
- Forest fires
- Fungi disease and other forest trees disease
- Protection of young stands and plants against herbivores
- Erosion protection
Forest roads

- Maintaining
- Constructing
- Determine the way of use in cooperation with FO
- Information system
Extension for PFO

- Courses and practical demonstrations
- Lecturers
- Presentations
- Competitions
- Publications
- Appearances in media
Education – SFS staff

- Lecturers
- Workshops
- Printing materials
- Excursions
- Practical courses
- ...

Wildlife and hunting

- Game management plans
- Monitoring
- Registration and evaluation of damages
- Subsidies for improving forest habitats
- Managing data base
Cooperation with other institutions

- Found for Agricultural Land and Forests
- Forestry institute and Forestry faculty
- Agriculture extension service
- FAO
- ILO
- IUFRO
- EC
SFS accomplishes every year enormous concrete works, for example:

- forest management plans for one tenth of Slovenian forests
- wildlife management plans for all (18) wildlife management regions
- tree marking – about 3 millions trees for cut;
- silviculture and forest protection works;
- all activities that need for paying subsidies to forest owners;
- forest road maintenance;
- 1,000 applications for the intervention to forest space;
- more than 100 training courses;
- articles and broadcasts for public media.