
**Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee
for a Legally Binding Agreement on Forests in Europe
Resumed Third Session**
3-5 April 2013, St-Petersburg, Russian Federation

Practical information

The Session will start at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 3 April 2013
and end at 6.00 p.m. on Friday, 5 April 2013.

The Session will be held at New Peterhof Hotel

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*Note : Maps and other information related to meeting venue can be found at
<http://www.new-peterhof.com/>.*

I. Registration to the Session

To register, please visit the following site:

<http://www.forestnegotiations.org/node/63>

Delegates are requested to register at their earliest convenience,
preferably no later than **Friday, 22 March 2013**. Once
registered, participants shall receive a confirmation of the pre-
registration by email.

Delegations are kindly asked to provide an official letter
containing the name(s), title(s) and contact details of delegate(s),
including head of delegation. Official letters should be sent at
the earliest convenience, but no later than **Wednesday, 20
March 2013** to: E-mail: INC-Forests@fao.org

Postal address:

FAO of the United Nations
Forestry Department (*Intergovernmental Negotiating
Committee for a Legally Binding Agreement on Forests in
Europe*)
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla 1, Rome, 00153, Italy

II. Funded participation

Eligible participants from countries with economies in transition
may apply for financial support to facilitate their participation in
the Resumed Third Session of the Committee. Financial support,

subject to availability of funds, may be provided for one participant per eligible country.

Please contact INC-Forests@fao.org in order to find information on eligible countries. Requests for financial support should be submitted to the secretariat (e-mail: INC-Forests@fao.org) as soon as possible, but not later than **Friday, 15 March 2013**. No application will be accepted after this deadline.

III. Languages & documents

The Session will be held in English with simultaneous interpretation in Russian and French. In-session documents will be posted at <http://www.forestnegotiations.org> in due time. We kindly request you to bring your own copies. Additional information documents will be available in English only.

IV. Visa information

Business visa will be issued for the period 29 March to 7 April 2013.

Deadline for applications: **Friday, 15 March 2013**. Applications received after that will not be eligible.

Three steps will be followed for the issuance of an entry business visa:

- Delegates should fill in and submit the form available at: <http://forestnegotiations.org/registration visa> . (An acknowledging email will be sent to confirm receipt of the information).
- Delegates will receive a 2nd email with the ID number of the invitation letter issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (also called receipt number).
- This 2nd email will also provide the date from which delegates should apply for a visa at their local Russian Embassy, making reference to the ID number of the invitation letter/receipt.

The visa issuing process should not exceed 10 days.

For further information please contact: INC-Forests@fao.org

V. Arrival details to New Peterhof Hotel

Transportation services from Saint-Petersburg Airport Pulkovo to New Peterhof Hotel will be arranged free of charge by the host country. Participants should send their travel information, including arrival and departure dates, time and flight numbers

to: Marina Linicheva (linicheva@gmail.com) or Evguenya Tretyakova (tretyakova.evguenya@gmail.com).

Other means of transportation from from St. Petersburg Airport Pulkovo to New Peterhof Hotel:

By taxi

A taxi will drive you to New Peterhof Hotel from anywhere in St-Petersburg. It takes approximately 30 – 45 minutes to get to the hotel from the international Pulkovo airport.

By car

Take the Peterhof highway, then from St-Petersburg follow the highway to Peterhof. New Peterhof Hotel is on the right next to the Peter and Paul Cathedral and opposite the Upper Park of the Peterhof Palace.

By public transport

Take fixed-route taxi to the “Fountains” bus stop in Peterhof
From "Avtovo" metro station - fixed-route taxi №224, №300, №424, №424-A and city bus №200
From "Leninsky prospekt" metro station (taxi stop at “Narvsky” shopping mall side) - fixed-route taxi №103 (K-224)
From "Prospekt Veteranov" metro station - fixed-route taxi №343, №639-6
From "Baltisky" railway station - fixed-route taxi №404

By train

From "Baltisky" railway station ("Baltiskaya metro station) take a train to New Peterhof station. Then take 10-minutes trip by city bus № 349, 350, 351, 352,355, 356 to the "Fountains" bus stop.

VI. Accommodation

Delegates are kindly requested to take care of their hotel booking by filling in the hotel registration form. A blocked reservation has been made at New Peterhof Hotel until 14 March. In order to make reservation, please fill in the hotel registration form and e-mail it to reservation@new-peterhof-hotel.com and a copy to linicheva@gmail.com, **no later than Thursday, 14 March 2013.**

VII. Further information

For further information please contact: Ms. Marina Linicheva

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