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Workshop
High Conservation Value Forests (pristine forests) of the European North of Russia
Approaches to Conservation and Sustainable Use

April 1-3, 2009
Syktyvkar

Goal:

Building of a renovated position of NGOs regarding pristine forests in the European North of Russia

Objectives:

- Information exchange and discussion of the current situation concerning pristine forests conservation and cutting in the European North of Russia
- Acquaintance with the world experience of pristine forests conservation and sustainable use
- Presentation of the discussion results to the main forest stakeholders in Komi

Languages: English, Russian

Program:

1st March (Wednesday)	
Session 1	
Participants' presentations about HCVF work experience and current situation	
<i>Silver Taiga Office, Kuratov St., 2-19</i>	
<i>15-20 min for presentation, 5-10 min for discussion</i>	
<i>Chairman: Przemyslaw Majewski</i>	
10:00 – 10:30	Opening of the seminar, presentation of the participants etc.
10:30 – 10:55	HCV Network – its goals, tasks, projects, activities, concerns to Russia – <i>Christopher Stewart & Nilofer Ghaffar, HCV Resource Network</i>
10:55 – 11:20	HCVF in Canada – similarities and differences according to Russia. – <i>Marcelo Levy, Responsible Forestry Solutions</i>
11:20 – 11:45	HCVF in Bulgaria – <i>Zhivko Bogdanov, WWF Bulgaria</i>
11:45 – 12:15	Coffee-break
12:15 – 12:40	Mondi Project, Mondi as a member of HCV Network. – <i>Peter Gardiner, Mondi Group</i>
12:40 – 13:05	Current situation in Russian forestry, in general and according to HCVF and biodiversity protection – <i>Alexey Yaroshenko, Greenpeace Russia</i>
13:05 – 14:30	Lunch
<i>Chairman: Peter Gardiner</i>	
14:30 – 14:55	FSC in Russia, achievements and issues, generally and according to HCVF and biodiversity protection – <i>Mikhail Karpachevskiy, FSC National Initiative, Biodiversity Conservation Center and/or Andrey Ptichnikov, FSC Russia</i>
14:55 – 15:20	Remote sensing in Russia in HCVF issues – <i>Dmitry Aksenov, NGO "Transparent World"</i>
15:20 – 15:45	HCVF in Russia, achievements and issues – <i>Tatiana Yanitskaya, WWF Russia</i>
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee-break
16:15 – 16:40	HCVF – situation in Komi, Silver Taiga activities, achievements and issues – <i>Przemyslaw Majewski, Silver Taiga Foundation</i>
16:40 – 17:05	HCVF in Karelia, achievements and issues – <i>Alexander Markovsky, NGO SPOK</i>
17:05 – 17:30	HCVF in Arkhangelsk region, achievements and issues – <i>Denis Dobrynin, WWF Archangelsk</i>
19:00	Dinner

2nd April (Thursday) Session 2 Discussion of HCVF current situation and problems in the European North of Russia with the focus on large pristine forest areas <i>Silver Taiga Office, Kuratov St., 2-19</i>	
<i>Chairman: Tatiana Yanitskaya & Mikhail Karpachevskiy</i>	
9:00 – 9:30	Introduction. Objectives and organization of the session
9:30 – 10:15	HCVF: problems and effectiveness of the current approaches – participants' short comments
10:15 – 10:30	Summary
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee-break
11:00 – 11:45	HCVF, FSC-certification and forest companies activity practice in the condition of the world economic crisis and changing forest legislation – participants' short comments
11:45 – 12:00	Summary
12:00 – 12:45	HCVF in Russia in the international context; possibility of mutual help and interaction between international organizations. Future plans of HCV Network and Russian NGOs cooperation
12:45 – 13:00	Summary
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch
2nd April (Thursday) Session 3 Presentation of the workshop results to the forest stakeholders of Komi Trade and Industry Chamber of Komi Internationalnaya St., 98, 2 nd Floor, Room № 205	
15:00 – 15:30	Presentation of the participants, introduction
15:30 – 16:00	Preliminary results of the discussion – <i>Mikhail Karpachevskiy, FSC National Initiative; Dmitry Kutepov, Silver Taiga Foundation</i>
16:00 – 16:30	Participants' comments about workshop result (no more than 5 min each)
16:30 – 17:30	Questions, comments, discussion
19:00	Dinner
3rd April (Friday) Excursion Day	