



Our Ref.: FOM - CPMF

Your Ref.:

24 September 2015

Subject: Invitation to the 6th Steering Committee of the Collaborative Partnership on Mediterranean Forests

Dear Mr Belen,

I am pleased to invite you to the Sixth Steering Committee of the Collaborative Partnership on Mediterranean Forests (CPMF) that will be held in Rabat (Golden Tulip Hotel), Morocco, from 12 to 13 November 2015.

In a context where the two main regional projects that have been supporting the activities of the CPMF are nearing their end, and following the evaluation of the CPMF, this Steering Committee will aim at taking decisions regarding a possibly renewed structure and functioning of the CPMF, a financing strategy and roadmap for the CPMF, and the 2016-2018 Operational Plan of the CPMF. To elaborate on the mobilization of financial resources, the 6th Steering Committee will be preceded by a meeting to identify project ideas that could be developed within the "Mediterranean Sea Basin" Programme 2014-2020 of the Cross-Border Cooperation of the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI CBC Med Programme) based on subjects of common interest, prioritized objectives, and appropriate partnerships to set up.

Please find attached the terms of reference of this Steering Committee, including a provisional agenda. Working documents regarding the Steering Committee are available on the *Silva Mediterranea* website at: <http://www.fao.org/forestry/silvamed/35411/fr/>. Information on the web site will be continuously updated.

For further information you are welcome to contact the following persons:

Mr Nicolas Picard
Secretariat of *Silva Mediterranea*
Forest Assessment, Management and
Conservation Division
Forestry Department
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
00153 Rome, Italy
Phone: +39 06 5705 4265
Email: nicolas.picard@fao.org

Ms Caterina Marchetta
Secretariat of *Silva Mediterranea*
Forest Assessment, Management and
Conservation Division
Forestry Department
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
00153 Rome, Italy
Phone: +39 06 5705 6481
Email: caterina.marchetta@fao.org

Your participation to the Sixth Steering Committee is essential to guarantee the success of this event, and we look forward to your attendance.

Yours sincerely

Susan Braatz

Senior Forestry Officer

Team Leader, Dryland Forests, Agroforestry and Climate Change Team
Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division