Decision support for forest management

Lecture 6b outline, advances in DSS technology

# Introduction to the EU COST Program

1. COST: Cooperation in Science and Technology
2. COST is an intergovernmental framework for European Cooperation in Science and Technology, allowing the coordination of nationally-funded research on a European level.
3. Mission and goals: It contributes to reducing the fragmentation in European research investments and opening the European Research Area to cooperation worldwide.
4. Sponsors collaborative science through funding of pan European workshops and conferences.

# COST Action FP0804 (FORSYS, 2009 to 2013)

1. The Action defines a European-wide framework with core processes and information standards for decision making in a sustainable multifunctional forest management environment.
2. It defines requirements for DSS implementation and provides a consistent European-wide quality reference for development of decision systems enhancing sustainable forest management.

## Work groups

1. WG1: DSS architecture and design
2. WG2: Methods and models of the Model Base
3. WG3: Knowledge management (KM)
4. WG4: Participatory processes

## Visit the FP0804 site

<http://fp0804.emu.ee/?id=home>

or

<http://www.forestdss.org>

## Topics to investigate on your own

1. Steering committee and members
2. Work group descriptions
3. Country reports
4. The FORSYS wiki
5. Presentations at the Umea meeting (24-26 April 2013)