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Forest-Based Sector Technology Platform

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Changes in FTP Management

Dear FTP colleagues,

The High Level Group of FTP is aware of the new challenges and possibilities that the European forest-based sector faces. Following Mr. Wilhelm Vorhers announcement to step back it has decided to reinforce the management of FTP in the following way:

- Mr. Kimmo Kalela has been appointed FTP Director with the responsibility to lead the FTP organisation. Mr. Kalela has a long experience in senior executive positions within the Finnish forest-based industry and has been chairman of the Finnish research institute KCL.
- Mr. Andreas Kleinschmit von Lengefeld has been appointed FTP Manager to reflect a wider scope of responsibilities within FTP.

As announced earlier, the secretariat has welcomed two new co-workers, Ms. Victoria Lerma and Mr. Johan Elvnert at its office in the European Forestry House (EFH) on 1 September 2008.

With these measures I am convinced that the cooperation between the key actors in the Forest-Based Sector Technology Platform will be intensified.

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