

COST Action E48

Limits of paper recycling



Summary notes from the Actions joint MC/WGs (WG1+2+3) meeting in Sofia on October 25-27, 2007

These summary notes were prepared by Jan-Erik Levlín.

For the specific MC-meeting separate minutes are prepared by Roland McKinney and Gunter Siegel.

Those present during the joint MC/WGs meeting are listed in App 1.

The overall draft agenda for the MC/WGs meeting is enclosed as App 2. This agenda was followed with some minor alterations in the order of activities due to various time constraints.

1. Plenary presentations

The plenary presentation program, consisting of 13 presentations, followed the overall draft agenda with some minor modifications:

- Gert-Jens Nabuur presented the “European forest resources – issues and availability”
- Arie Hooiemeijer presented “Ensuring a successful contribution of European forest-based industries as a case study towards a sustainable industrial policy”
- Due to illness Tomasz Malinowski was not able to give the presentation of collection and sorting systems in Poland. This presentation was postponed to the Budapest meeting

All presentations will be posted on the Actions web page within 10 days after the meeting. Some of them were also be available as hard copies at the meeting venue.

2. Discussion of the Book

Harald Grossmann presented the outline for the book that will constitute the final report of the Action. In this context Branka Lozo and Elena Bobu volunteered to participate in the work of compiling and writing the Book.

3. The scenario development work

The main theme of this meeting was the continuation of the scenario development work as initiated during the previous meeting in Bilbao. It had there been agreed to base the work on four different scenarios for manufacturing in Europe developed by The Institute for Prospective Technological Studies of the EU Joint Research Center, With the plenary presentations, and in particularly the scenario process presentation

by Harald Grossmann serving as a background, the three WGs had thorough discussions concerning the influence the scenarios concerned could have on recycling of paper as seen from their particular point of view. The results of the WG discussions will now be further developed by the TF Scenarios at their meeting on 19.12 and the discussions will be continued at the next WG meetings in Budapest.

4. Recycling statistics

Iipo Ervasti presented the situation concerning compilation of statistical information on recycling. Up to the Sofia meeting responses to the questionnaire distributed had been received from 11 countries: Bulgaria, Croatia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden. Additionally, response had been received from Slovakia even though this country does not participate in E48. The MC representatives of the remaining E48 member countries were strongly urged to ensure the delivery of the information from their respective countries to Iipo Ervasti not later than 30.11.

5. Ideas for new COST Actions

The last item on the joint agenda was a brain storming session concerning ideas for FP7 project proposals or new COST Actions. As no immediate ideas for FP7 projects came up it was agreed to postpone this part of the discussion to the Budapest meeting. To this meeting someone will be invited to give a presentation of the possibilities for recycling related research in the FP7 program.

The discussions of new COST Actions revealed some 5 ideas. It was agreed that everyone that presented an idea should write a short presentation of it, max 1 page and send it to Harald Grossmann not later than 15.12 for consultation with the E48 Steering Group on their meeting on 19.12.

6. Closing the meeting

At the end of the formal meeting the chairman expressed the gratitude of the participants to Stanka Nedeva and all her colleagues for the very good arrangements of the meeting.

7. Technical excursion

On the last meeting day, October 27th, a technical visit was arranged to Duropack Trakia Papir S.A. This mill produces testliner and fluting, corrugated board as well as packages from these with a very big share of recovered paper.

Jan-Erik Levlin

Participants of the E48 joint MC/WGs meeting in Sofia on 25-27.10.2007

Bulgaria	Christina Kirova-Blajeva Ivo Valchev Stanka Nedeva Kalina Todorova Svetla Tsanova Krasimir Savov
Croatia	Branka Lozo Maja Stanic Sonja Jamnicki
Finland	Ilpo Ervasti Tiina Pajula Donald MacNeil Juha Saari
France	Alain Cochaux Francois Julien-Saint-Amand
Germany	Andreas Faul Adrian Maniou
Greece	Stergios Adamopolous Mantzari Vasiliki
Hungary	Silvia Biro Isépy Andorné Zsuzsa Zsófia Márkné Varga Marta Kubicza
Italy	Giorgio Capretti Eliana Farotto
Latvia	Lubova Belkova
Netherlands	Arie Hooimeijer Gert-Jan Nabuurs Gulden Yilmaz-Jongboom
Poland	Dominika Gaida
Romania	Elena Bobu Dan Gavrilesu Daniela Serban Violeta Negreanu

Slovenia Tadeja Muck

Spain Ruben Miranda
 Angels Pelach

Sweden Marianne Björklund-Jansson
 Marianne Svensen

UK Roland McKinney
 Barry Read

Action chair Jan-Erik Levlin
Vice chair Harald Grossmann

CEPI Jori Ringman

Invited speaker: Gerfried Jungmeier, E31

6th Management Committee meeting and Accompanying Events

Draft program

Thursday, October 25

- 9.00 MC meeting, first part
- 10.45 Coffee
- 11.00 Plenary presentations
- Future management of recovered wood, Gerfried Jungmeier, Chairman of E31
 - Future wood applications, Gert-Jens Nabuur
 - Update on Directives and legislation influencing future paper recycling, Arie Hooimeijer
 - Dynamics in the European paper and board sector and its regional differences: A case study comparing a Western European country (The Netherlands) and a Central European country (Poland), Dominika Gajda
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.00 Recycling statistics, results compiled so far, Ilpo Ervasti
- 14.30 Presentation of the scenario “skeleton” and process, Harald Grossmann
- 15.00 Separate WG meetings on the scenarios
- Discussion of the scenario approach from the respective WG point of view
 - Inputs to the development, suggestions for improvements
 - Identification of possible further work needed for the scenario development
- 18.30 End of the day
- 20.00 Dinner

Friday, October 26

- 9.00 Presentation of collection and sorting systems in different countries
- UK, Barry Read
 - Germany, Harald Grossmann
 - Poland, Tomasz Malinowski
 - Spain, Angeles Blanco/Ruben Miranda
 - Sweden, Marianne Svensen
- 10.30 Coffee
- 11.00 Presentation of STSM reports
- Donald McNeil
 - Zsofia Markne Varga
- 11.30 Presentation of WG reports on scenario discussions
- 12.00 General scenario discussion and distribution of further related tasks
- 13.00 Lunch

- 14.00 First ideas of the content and structure of the book to be delivered at the end of the Action, Harald Grossmann
- 14.30 Ideas for joint research projects proposals for FP7 generated from E48, Harald Grossmann
- 15.00 MC meeting, second part
- 16.00 End of the meeting
- 17.30 Sightseeing tour of Sofia

Saturday, October 27

- 9.00 Departure for a technical visit to the mill of Duropack Trakia Papir S.A.

See the enclosed excursion program for details.

This mill is producing papers for corrugated board with a big share of recovered paper, corrugated board and packages from it. See the mills web page at www.duropack.bg.

- 13.00 Departure from the mill

In the afternoon the tour is continued to a country side monastery.

- 18.30 Arrival in Sofia

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