



Forest Research in Slovakia and Possibilities for Co-operation in the Central European Region

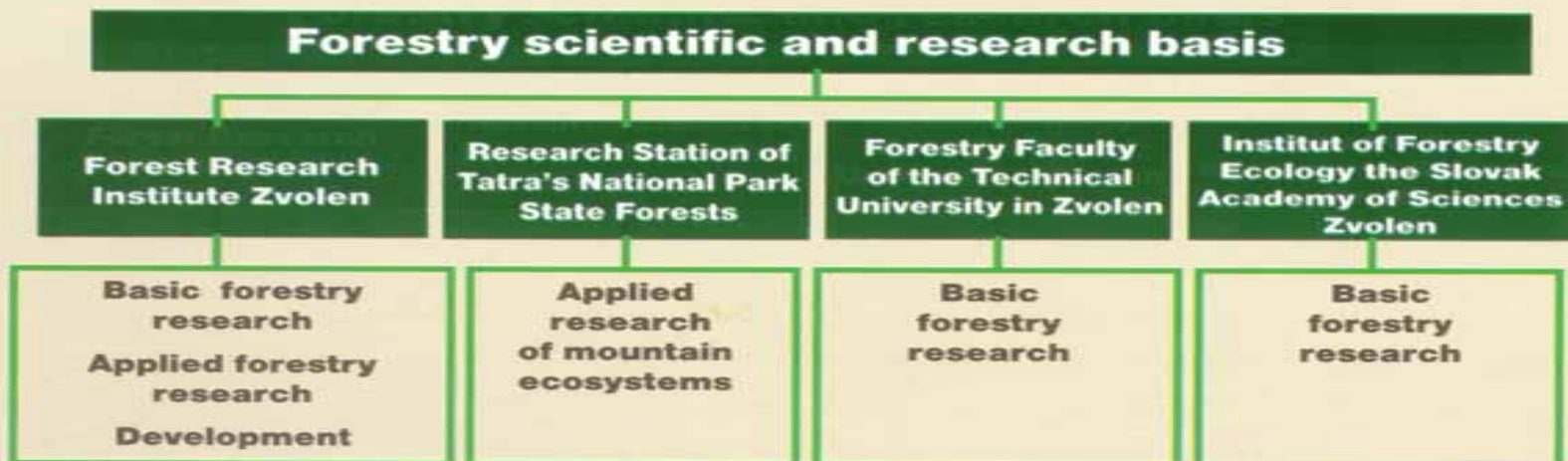


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FOREST SCIENCE and RESEARCH in SLOVAK REPUBLIC



*F*orest science and research, in spite of a lack of technical and information equipment, using the minimal support from public sources, is an accepted part of the science and European forestry research.



KEY PROBLEM

- **Very limited funds**
- **Low priority for research**
- **Extremely low priority for FOREST RESEARCH**



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MAIN RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- **Ecosystem stability, biodiversity protection, global climate changes**
- **Sustainable forest management**
- **Forest health condition and ecological forest protection approaches**
- **Forestry concepts and strategies according with global, regional, national forestry policy**



International activities and projects

- **Biodiversity**
- **Global climate change**
- **Sustainable management (land and forest)**
- **Risk assessment and risk management**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Bioenergy**



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

MAIN APPROACH

How to help to
improve the situation
of

FOREST RESEARCH
in EUROPE



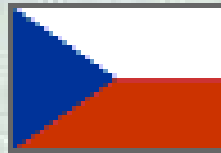
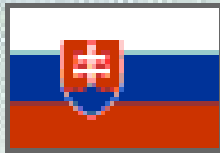
Possibilities of mutual collaboration

- 1. Bilateral collaboration**
- 2. Regional collaboration (Visegrad 4)**
- 3. Pan-European collaboration**
 - **EFI – Research Centres, ...**
 - **6 (7) FP (EU)**
 - **The meeting of Directors of Europeans FRI –Vienna Inter-continental collaboration**
- 4. Inter-continental collaboration**
 - **UN**
 - **North America (USDA-FS)**
 - **Asia (FFRI Japan, CHFA China ...)**



VISEGRAD FOUR

Meeting of FRI Directors



Banská Štiavnica - May 20.-21. 2004





MEMORANDUM on COLLABORATION

**ERTI Budapest,
IBL Warsaw,
FGMRI Jílovište –Strnady
FRI Zvolen**

**Have agreed, that in the interest of further
development of forest science, research,
development and implementation of their results in
Central European region they will collaborate and
coordinate own activities in following forms.**



1. Active exchange of information on

- **International scientific-research events,**
- **Preparation and submission of international (bilateral and multilateral) projects, establishment of project consortia and similar,**
- **Scientific and technical publications and their exchange between scientific libraries.**



- 2. Organize common scientific and technical events, especially with international participation.**
- 3. Process and publish common scientific and technical publications.**
- 4. Initiate and support mutual exchange, especially of junior scientific workers, in form of study stays at research institutions.**



- 5. Create common scientific-research teams for the elaboration and solving research projects being funded from international sources (EU, UN, NATO, WWF and others).**
- 6. Mutual coordination and support for international activities, memberships etc.**

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

Forest
for the future
SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT

The background of the slide is a photograph of a dense forest. The trees are mostly green, with some showing yellow and orange hues, suggesting an autumn setting. In the lower-left foreground, there is a single, large, detailed illustration of an autumn leaf in shades of orange and red, partially overlapping the text.