

Living Lab Profile - North Norway

Cocation

The Living Lab Central is located in central eastern Norway

Forest Characteristics

Softwood dominated forest consistent of Norway spruce, pine with elements of birch



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Current State

Small Forest owner in this region face more extreme climate causing challenges in forest management for climate adaptive forests, especially for forest owners with less knowledge.

Desired State

Forest management which focuses on the increase of climate resilience supported by payments for timber, biodiversity forests and carbon farming.

Forest Owner Characteristics



Number of forest owners

48 000



% of private forest

*All of Norway



Average ha

54 ha*

*All of Norway



Regional forest owner association

Viken Skog, Glommen Mjøsen Skog, AT Skog

Upscaling Potential

The LL North is representative for the socio-economic conditions in Northern Europe.

With its high percentage of small forest owners, the living lab allows to study ownership fragmentation and the management strategies to address the disruptions from climate change.





Initiation Workshop

100 Living Lab North - 05/06/2024



Oslo, Norway

Participants

14 Participants in person, 2 online from:

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- Forest Owners
- Norwegian Forest Owners Federation

Topics

- Introduction of the forest owners
- Presentation of Small4Good
- · Presentation on harvest methods used in Norway
- Presentation on Ecosystem Services and the the concept of Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES)
- · Open discussion

Q Key Points

The initial meeting aimed to get to know the forest owners and their goals for their forest. The main points for the meeting was to give the forest owners a good introduction to the project and what they expect from the participation, payment for ecosystem services, and harvest methods used in Norway.

During the introduction of the forest owners and the open discussion, the forest owners discussed climate adaptiveness, the shift from monoculture, and lack of knowledge on research-based forest management as a big concern. Even though it was a diverse group, the forest owners shared a desire for more knowledge on forest management and mentioned it as one of the reasons for joining the project.

