

Appendix 2 - Questionnaire about perceived usefulness of DSS in participatory planning on forest management

1) What reference to your job, to which temporal scale of forest management do you refer?

- Short term (operational): planning horizon extending less than 2 years*
- Medium term (tactical): planning horizon extending from 2 to 10 years*
- Long term (strategic): planning horizon extending over more than 10 years*

2) And to which spatial scale of forest management do you refer?

- Stand level: homogeneous unit according to ecological, physiographic and development features*
- Forest level: forest landscape with several stands that belong together for a common purpose*
- Regional/national level: a set of landscapes that may be managed each to address different objectives*

3) Are you experienced with the use of DSS in participatory planning processes?

- yes*
- no*
- I'm not able to able to respond*

4) If YES from how long are you using DSS?

5) Referring to your experience/case, express how much do you agree to the following sentences. Please give an answer to each sentence following the schema below.

	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	Unable
Using DSS in my job enable/would enable me to accomplish tasks more quickly						
Using DSS improve/would improve my job performance						
Using DSS in my job increase/would increase my productivity						
Using DSS enhance/would enhance my effectiveness on the job						
Using DSS make/would make it easier to do my job						
I find/would find DSS useful in my job						

- 6) If you already experienced the use of DSS, please express how much do you agree to the following sentences considering your perception before starting to use DSS. Please give an answer to each sentence following the schema below.

	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	Unable
Using DSS in my job enable/would enable me to accomplish tasks more quickly						
Using DSS improve/would improve my job performance						
Using DSS in my job increase/would increase my productivity						
Using DSS enhance/would enhance my effectiveness on the job						
Using DSS make/would make it easier to do my job						
I find/would find DSS useful in my job						

Date: _____

Country: _____

Institution: _____ Position: _____

Role in participatory planning (stakeholder, facilitator, expert, researcher): _____

Age 20-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 61-70 more than 71