



## **ABM 101 Forest policy**

Compulsory subject – in 2<sup>nd</sup> /summer/ semester for Bulgarian students

ECTS credits – **5.0** Ability to teach a foreign language – **English**

### Syllabus in brief

#### *I. Lectures:*

##### **A. Principles of Forest Policy Theory**

1. Forest policy – definitions, objects and goals.
2. Interrelations between forests and society – short review.
3. Sustainable development (SD) as a basis of sustainable forest management (SFM).
4. Biodiversity and landscape protection – criteria of SD.
5. Climate change and forest policy for long term forest adaptation.
6. Forest policy institutions.
7. Forest policy process.
8. Forest ownership.
9. Forest legislation.

##### **B. Applied Aspects of Forest Policy**

10. Forest policy in countries with economy in transition.
11. EU Forest strategy and policy.
12. National forest strategies and policy.
13. Forest protecting policy measures against forest fires.
14. Forest protecting measures for soil erosion control.
15. Forest policy for abandoned area afforestation – measures of Rural Development Programmes.

#### *II. Student's essays themes:*

1. Main aspects of ..... national forest policy.
2. Forest tenure in .....
3. Forest policy institutions in .....

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