FOR SUSTAINABLE AND FUTURE-PROOF FOREST MANAGEMENT

FORESTRY RISK AND CRISIS COMMUNICATION AS WELL AS ACCEPTANCE BUILDING WITH REGARD TO PLANT **PROTECTION MEASURES IN FORESTS**



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The story of Hänsel and Gretel, Grimm 1812



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Man and Woman contemplating the Moon Caspar David Friedrich, 1835

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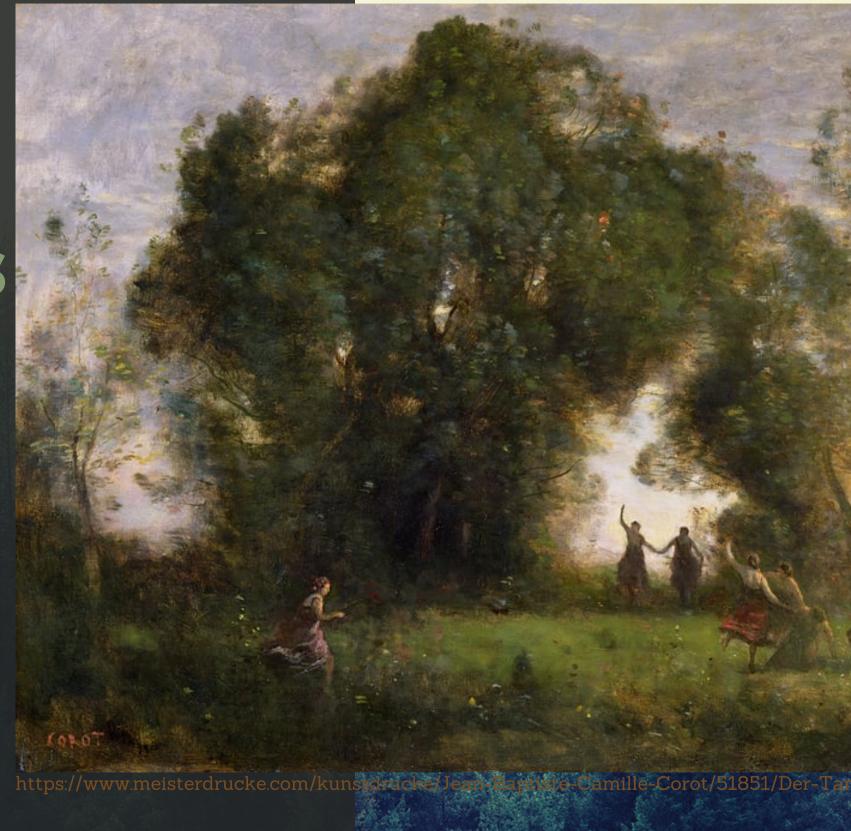
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Jean Baptiste Camille Corot Dance of the nymphs 1850



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Edmund George Warren Robin Hood and his merry Men in Sherwood Forest 1859



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Walt Disney´s Dornröschen 1959

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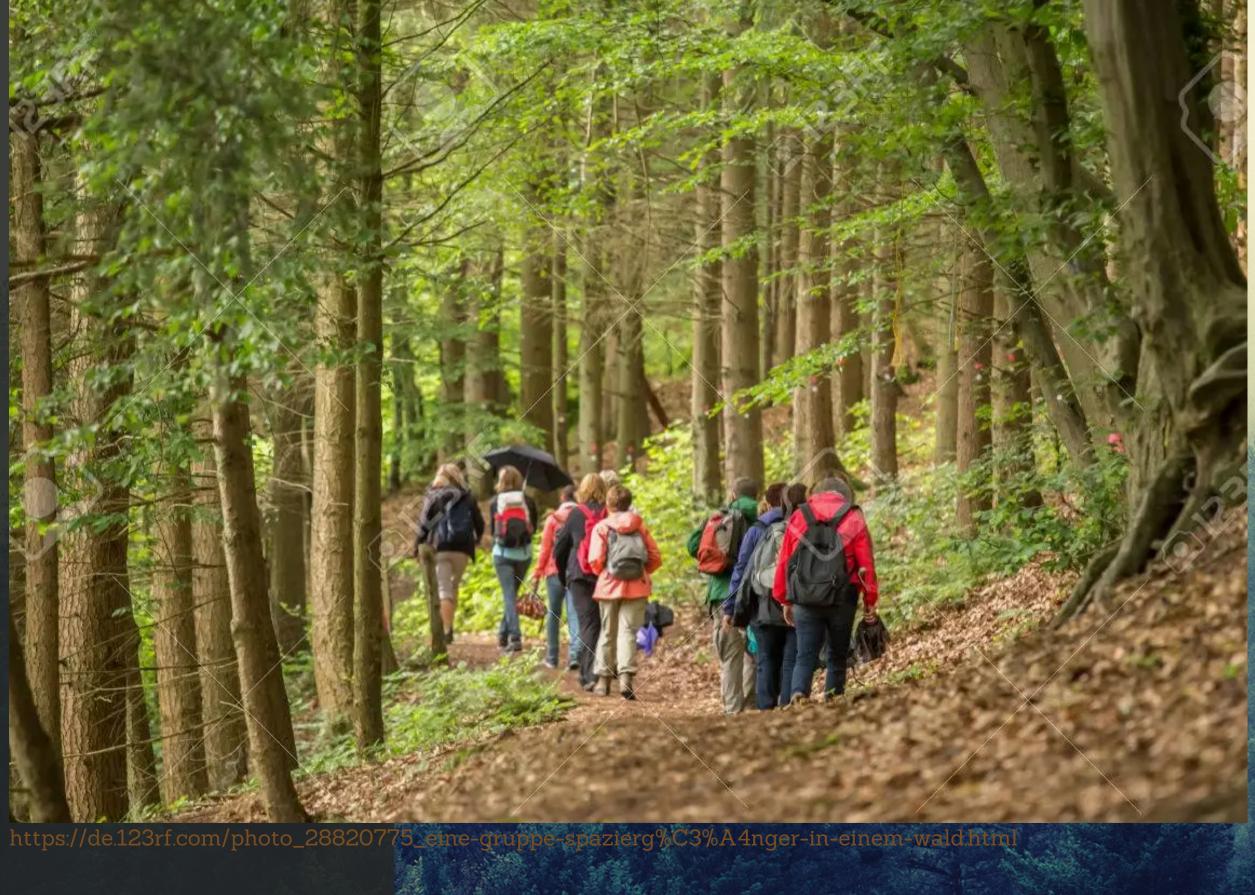
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Sleeping Beauty's forest is dying. It's not the only climate crisis facing Germany's next chancellor

Words by Sheena McKenzie Video by Sofia Couceiro and Nina Avramova Photographs by Helena Schätzle Updated 5:33 AM EDT, Fri September 24, 2021



Germany's forests

There are few things Germans have a closer bond to than the woods and now they're under threat. However, there is

hope.

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The German forests are dying

Sleeping Beauty's fores There is more talk about 'Waldsterben 2.0' with the ongoing climate crisis. The only climate crisis tacing Germany's **'Part of German soul'** under threat as forests die

Action plan to be drawn up as dry summers, storms and pests destroy swathes of woodland

by Kate Connolly in Berlin

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splaining: The death of ermany's forests

How to rescue the German forest

Oliver Pieper 09/10/2022

Climate change and drought are threatening the existence of Germany's forests, which are at the very core of the country's sociocultural identity. But the most famous forest ranger says there is hope.

It's do or die for Germany's forests

The health of German forests is in terminal decline. Global heating and poor management are at the roots of a countrywide die-off, an urgent issue being confronted by a national forest summit this week.

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There will not always be light

What story do we want to

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What story do we want to tell?

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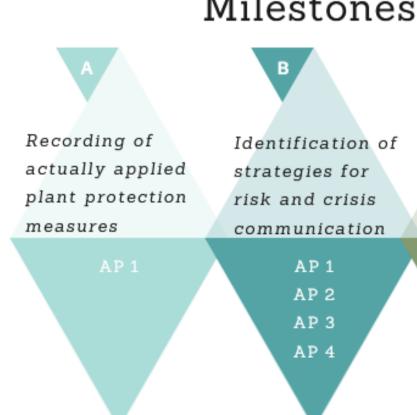
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Objective RiKA

To provide actors in sustainable, future-proof forest management with *legitimacy to act*, so that they can make socially and ecologically compatible *decisions* that

do not meet with resistance. but are supported by society as well as by science and politics.



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Milestones & Work packages

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	knowledge and	Development and
Analysis	acceptance of	implementation of
of media	plant protection	specific campaigns
use 🔺	measures	regarding ppm
AP1	AP 1	AP 1
AP 2	AP 2	AP 2
AP 3	AP 3	AP 3
AP 4	AP 4	AP 4

Process and Methods

1. DATA RESEARCH

Recording of actually applied plant protection measures 2014-2023

2. QUANTITATIVE CHARACTERIZATION OF THE MEDIA DISCOURSE

extent of press and media coverage on plant protection measures in forests

3. QUALITATIVE CONTENT ANALYSIS

Reporting and narratives on potential crisis and risk issues regarding plant protection measures in forests

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4. ONLINE SURVEY Perception of plant protection measures, associations (differences experts nonprofessionals)

Representatives of environmental groups/citizen initiatives, forestry public relations, forestry in Saxony and Brandenburg

6. DELPHI STUDY

Evaluation of forestry public relations, risk and crisis communication, suggestions for improvement

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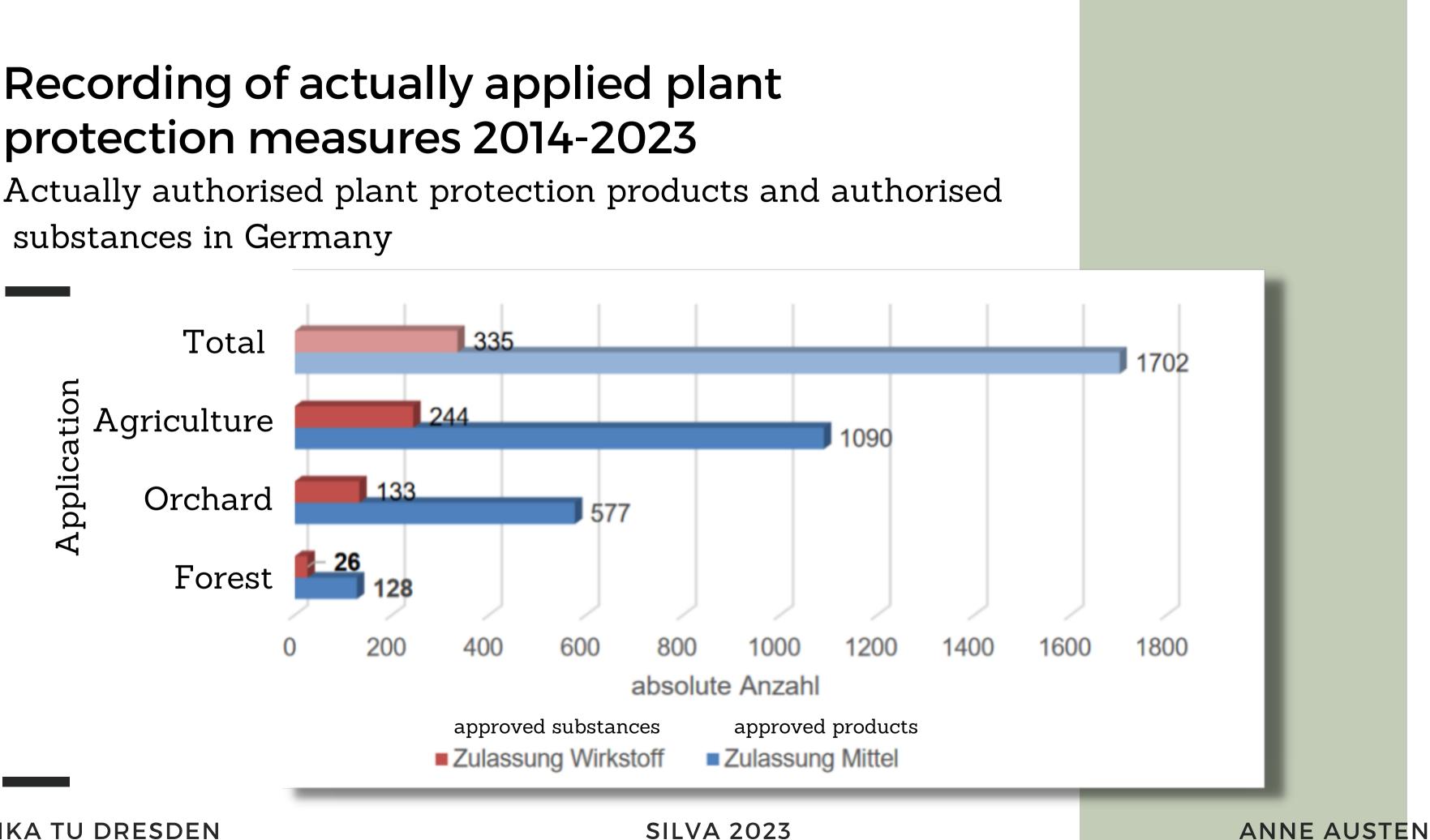
5. IN-DEPTH INTERVIEWS

7. RIKA CAMPAIGN

Putting the studies' findings into practice

Recording of actually applied plant protection measures 2014-2023

substances in Germany



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RiKA Online Survey August 2020

Looking back, how would you assess the forestry public relations work of the last two years?

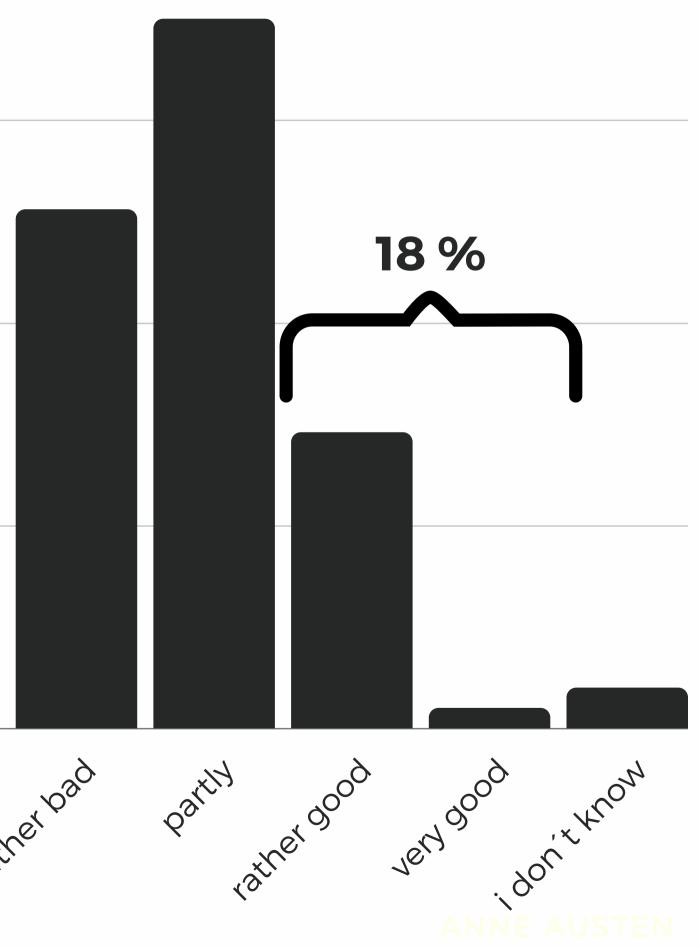
425 people have responded

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What are the potential crisis and risk issues that concern the society about Plant Protection measures in forests ?



HEALTH RISKS

"The residents of the affected forest communities also worry about their health."

ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS

""It risks massive environmental damage [...] Since Dipel ES also kills other butterfly caterpillars, food sources for animals, for example birds and bats, would be missing.."



IGNORANCE/LACK OF COMMUNICATION

"'If we hadn't organised the information evening, we would still know nothing."

DISCORDANT FORESTRY STAKEHOLDERS

"In March, Mr.Tempel (forest owner) had started a petition against the use of "Karate Forst". The forest owner is convinced that the insecticide also damages other animal species and ultimately the entire ecosystem."

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https://www.regenwald.org/petitionen/1175/giftattacke-in-brandenburg-stoppen

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- May 2019: planned PPM
- Application via helicopter
- against Lymantria monacha
- in pine stands around Beelitz on a total of 5.055 ha.
- was stopped due to public reaction



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- became public by chance
- local population called a
 - residents' meeting
- protests broke out
- supported by environmental NGOs
 - petitions, demonstrations,
 - lawsuits, etc., catalyzed by media



https://www.maz-online.de/lokales/potsdam-mittelmark/beelitz/hitzige-debatte-ueber-geplan insektizid-einsatz-TZBNOXZZ5TU3JZ5QEGCUPONQ7Q.html

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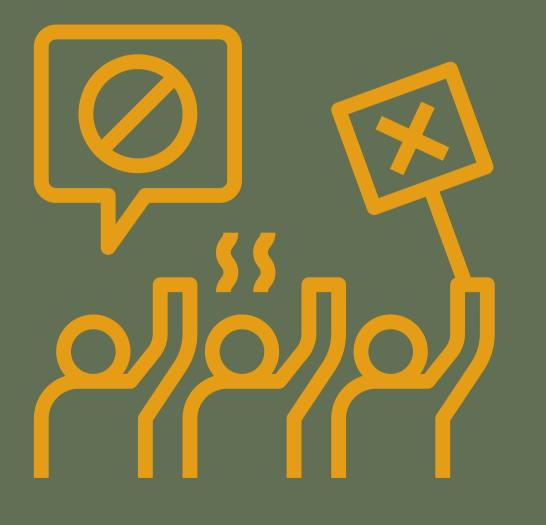
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http://www.tempelwald.de/medien/kein-gift-in-brandenburgs-waeldern/

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one's own survival limited violence

5. self-righteousness as well as exposure and discrediting of the "enemy".

4. devaluation of the other side, search for allies

3. creation of facts, decline of empathy

2. polarisation of thinking, feeling an

1. Hardening of opinions and positions

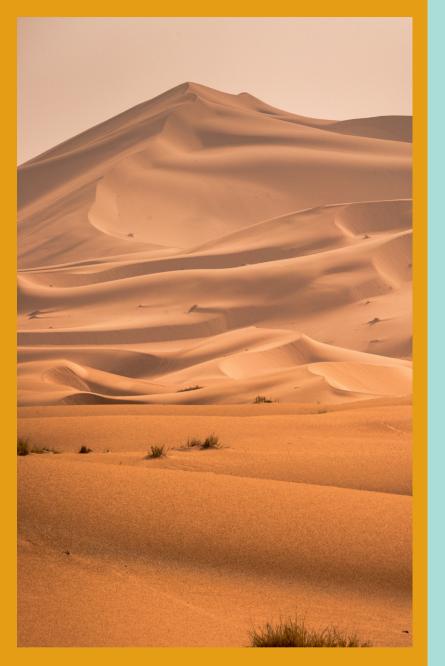
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Analysis of the Case: ESCALATION LEVELS according to Glasl (1980)

- 9. Total confrontation, even at the price of own destruction
- 8. Fragmentation and destruction of the adversary as a condition of
- 7. Dehumanisation of the opponent, legitimisation of violence,
- 6. threatening strategies, tunnels and tendency to irrational behaviour

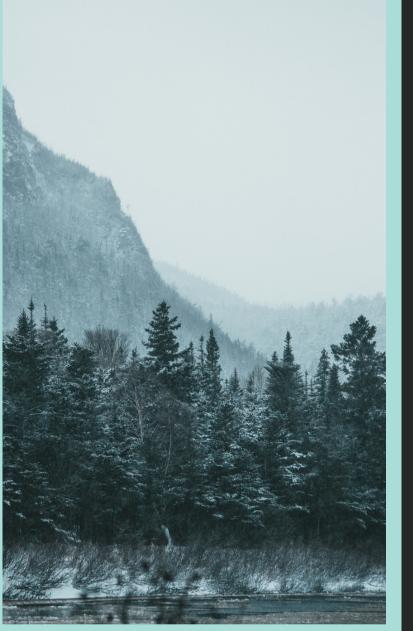
Hot conflict type



- Confrontational
- Emotional
- Conflict provoking
- Conflict-dominating
- **Publicly effective**

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Cold conflict type



- Defensive
- Rational
- Conflict Avoidant
- Conflict distancing
- Publicity-shy

Results

- objective criticism
- situation
- determination

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 hardened fronts between supporters and opponents of the measure

• emotionally charged, often not very

• foresters were overrun by the crisis

demand for more right of co-

• purely factual presentations of forestry views were not sufficient to have a curative effect in the crisis situation

Results

- considerable damage to the image of the involved foresters and the entire forestry world
- the mutual goal of a healthy forest could not or would not be recognized
- lack of trust in forestry actions
- demand for more right of **co-determination**

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What story do we want to tell?

Approaches



• self-contained, early addressing of risks as an integral part of the communication-process

• also "normal work" publicized "again and again" and explanation of the "importance of the forest for climate protection in a wide variety of ways" (Delphi-study).

• digital formats can also be used by interested parties living far away

co-determination

Campaign

Design of own homepages

Website

Social Media

The virtual version of an information brochure as a supplement to the online presence

Online brochure

Campaign

Target group and location-specific information steering in cooperation with existing press

channels

Contributions for the local press

Signposting in the forest

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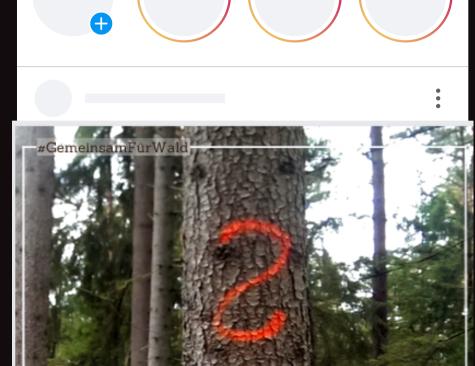
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Events

Conference papers, fair appearances, Excursions

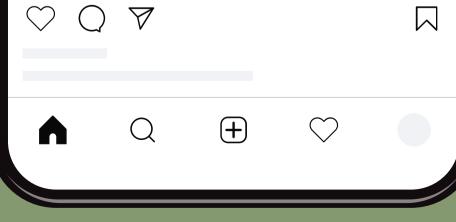
Inform live on site





"Was es im Wald auf großer Fläche anrichte, ist **noch gar nicht untersucht** worden."

> aus: Invasion der Krabbler. Der Spiegel 21.04.2018



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@tharandterwaldschutz

#GemeinsamFürDenWald

IIm Rahmen des Forschungsprojekts RiKA (Risiko- und Krisenkommunikation und Akzeptanzbildung, 2019 - 2023) ist die Kommunikation zwischen verschiedenen Interessensgruppen in Sachsen und Brandenburg analysiert worden. Der Fokus richtet sich auf gesellschaftliche Konflikte und Diskurse, welche die Maßnahmen zum Schutz der heimischen Wälder betreffen. Hierbei sind bedeutsame Wissenslücken und Defizite in Kommunikationsketten festgestellt worden. RiKA möchte auf diese Ergebnisse aufmerksam machen und dazu anregen, Hürden abzubauen, um den Waldschutz zu erleichtern. Den Anfang sollen erste Info-Angebote schaffen. Hierzu stehen allen Forst-Fachkräften und Wald-Interessierten kostenlose Info-Materialien und eine Ausstellung zum Verleih bereit. Weitere Infos unter:



Zupause im Wald

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www.tu-dresden.de/ forst/Zuhause-im-Wald (O) Folge uns auf Instagram @TharandterWaldschutz

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Gemeinsam für den Wald von heute und morgen.-

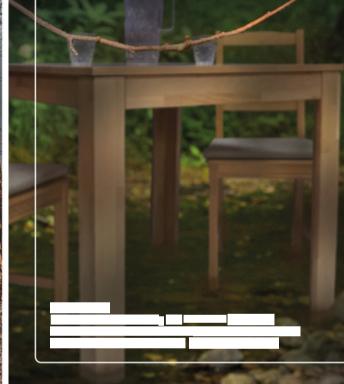
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WALDZUKUNFT

Der Wald, wie wir ihn kennen, ist durch die Folgen des Klimawandels nicht mehr selbstverständlich. Um ihn zu schützen und neu aufzubauen, braucht es forstliche Expertise - und Deine Mithilfe. Informiere Dich über Waldschutzmaßnahmen, und wie Du den Wald von heute und morgen mitgestalten kannst. Der Wald dankt es Dir überall: Zuhause in den Schubladen, im Nudelwasser, sogar in jedem Deiner Atemzüge!



Pro Tag liefert jedes Stück Wald in der Größe eines Fußballfeldes rund 4.900 Liter Sauerstoff¹⁾, 5.750 Liter gefiltertes Wasser²⁾ und 13 dm³ Holz²⁾. Rund um die Uhr schützt es vor Wetter-Extremen und lädt ein zur Erholung. Zum Vergleich: Du verbrauchst pro Tag mind. 550 Liter Sauerstoff³⁾, 120 Liter Wasser im Haushalt⁴⁾ sowie indirekt weitere rund 7.100 Liter Wasser für das Herstellen Deiner Bedarfs- und Konsumgütern in aller Welt⁵⁾. Entdecke noch mehr Waldleistungen und erfahre, wie Du die Wälder im Alltag entlasten und nachhaltig unterstützen kannst: www.tu-dresden.de/forst/ Zuhause-im Wald

Online brochure Website **Tramway-Video Social media Content**

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WALDLEISTUNGEN

WER KÜMMERT SICH UM DEN WALD?

Alle Wälder in Deutschlands sind in Eigentum. Waldbesitzende sind der Bund, die Bundesländer, die Kommunen, Zweckverbände, Unternehmen, Stiftungen, Kirchen, Vereine, Privatpersonen und viele andere mehr. Daher werden sie unterschieden in Staatswälder. Körperschaftswälder und Privatwälder



Die Waldbesitzenden sind unterschiedlich organisiert und oft in Vereinigungen verbündet. In Absprache mit den Waldbesitzenden können Waldpächterinnen und -pächter den Wald nutzen, z. B. Windkraftanlagen-Unternehmen. Wandervereine oder andere Waldbesitzende. Selbst "land- und waldlose" Personen können sich um Wald kümmern z. B. im Naturschutz. Natursport oder in der Jagd über Bürgerinitiativen, Vereine und Verbände. In Zusammenarbeit mit den Waldbesitzenden entstehen Angebote wie z. B. Pflanz- und Pflegeaktionen oder Wald-Kindergärten. Auch das persönliche

Verhalten eines leden hat Einfluss auf den Wald z. B. beim Möbelkauf, beim Reisen, beim Pilze suchen oder beim Waldspaziergang.

Diese Vielfalt an Verantwortlichen und Helfenden für einen Wald spiegelt sich in den vertretenen Berufsbildern wider. Diese zählen zu den Fachgebieten der Forstwirtschaft, Betriebswirtschaft, Biologie, Imkerei, Jägerei, Politik, Ökologie, Geologie, Pädagogik, Tourismus, Gastronomie, Sport, Medizin, Landschaftsplanung und vielen anderen mehr. Gemeinsam müssen die Akteure den individuellen Konsens für ihren Wald vor Ort finden.



Deutscher Forstwirtschaftsrat (DFWR e.V.)

- Weiterführende Informationen
- >Nächste Frage: "Wie viel Wald gibt es?"
- Surück zur Übersicht von "Zuhause im Wald

Vorsicht! Begiftete Fläche

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Thank you!

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