**Workflow – Forest organizations**

**High Level**
- Politicians
  - Neither Questionnaire or Interview

**Intermediate Level**
- Leadership Interview
- Questionnaire

**Lower Level**
- Owners/Producers/Users Questionnaire

**Associations / Non-governmental organization**
- NGO “Green Balkans”

**Ministeries/ Secretaries of State/others**
- Ministry of agriculture and food
- Executive Forests Agency
- Directorate "Forest Policy and Management activities"
- Directorate "Forest"
- Regional Directorate of Forestry (16)
- Directorate of Natural Parks
- Natural Park
- State Enterprise (6)
- State Forestry (16)

**Mission/Goals**
- Administration of the agricultural sector; Provides guidance for the development of the common agricultural policy of Bulgaria as a country - member of the EU; Develop a strategy for rural and implement the program for their development; National strategy for development of the forestry sector in Bulgaria 2013-2020 g.;
- Organic farming; Rules of good agricultural practice; Good agricultural and environmental condition (GAEC); Animal Health and Food Safety; Land Relations and consolidation; Commission for agricultural lands; Identification of agricultural parcels; Digital orthophoto map; Import licenses for agricultural products;
- Protected names / Promotion of agricultural products; SAPARD, PHARE and other programs and others.

- Executive forest agency (EFA) is legal entity finance by the budget – secondary manager with budget credits by the Ministry of Agriculture. Agency is an administration which supports the Executive director by implementing his prerogatives, provide him technical assistance and provide all administrative services for citizens and legal entities. Contractual relationships with the Executive director of EFA are executed, change and terminate from minister of agriculture and foods after preliminary coordination with Prime Minister. The Executive director implements his prerogatives directly or through Regional Forest Directorates and specialized territorial forest units. The Executive director is supported by Deputy executive director.
- Contractual relationships with Deputy executive director are executed, change and terminate from Executive director after preliminary coordination with minister of agriculture and foods. Chairman of Management Board is the Executive director of EFA or authorized by him public official. Executive forest agency is structured in different directorates: Directorate “Internal Monitoring (Audit)”, Public servant on information, Financial Inspector, two directorates which provide common administrative services and three directorates which provide specialized forest services.

- Green Balkans is a nature conservation organization, structured as a federation. It involves several legal entities – “non-profit societies”, such as “Green Balkans” (the society in Plovdiv), “Green Balkans – Stara Zagora”, “Green Balkans – Pomorie”, and “Green Balkans – Russe”. Green Balkans has 25 correspondent centers – informal groups throughout the country, which give us assistance in our activities. According to Green Balkans’ Statutes, the “General Assembly” and Managing Boards are the supreme managing body of the Societies. Conservation of rare species or species threatened with extinction, incl. securing the habitats; implementing monitoring of the populations of rare species; developing Plans and Strategies; improving the legislation related to conservation; building capacities for biodiversity conservation and research; supporting the control exerted by the responsible institutions over the threats caused by various infringements; implementing education and information activities, aimed at raising the environmental awareness of the public and providing support for nature conservation.
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Mission/Goals

Main areas of activities of MOEW are related with protection and management of:
- Air;
- Waters;
- Nature;
- Soils;
- Waste;
- Noise;
- Radiation.
Activities are mainly legislative and controlling.

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"For Nature" is an independent, nonpartisan coalition of citizens' groups and NGOs that fight for nature conservation in Bulgaria by promoting civil society and compliance. Coalition protects Earth and people uniting its members' activity related to its objectives, mobilizing civic groups and experts, conduct information and education campaigns and lobbying for the creation and implementation of environmental policy. And all this expertise, ethical and artistic.