UKRAINIAN FOREST AND FORESTRY - STATUS AND URGENT NEEDS FOR DEVELOPMENT
Forests are distributed unevenly across the country. They are concentrated mainly in Polesie and Ukrainian Carpathians.

Despite of a rather small forest ratio, Ukraine takes 9th place in forest area rate in Europe and 6th place on growing stock rate.

The total area of forest land is 10.4 million hectares, incl. 9.6 million hectares of forested land.
Forest ownership

- State Forest Resources Agency: 73.0%
- Reserve lands: 7.5%
- Other Ministries and Agencies: 7.0%
- Local authorities (comunal ownership): 12.5%
Almost 50% of Ukrainian forests have significant limitation to SFM
THE MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS OF 2021

- Approved Strategy of forest sector development
- Started process of optimization of number of state forest enterprises
- Strengthened work on forest landscape restoration
- Strengthened transparency on forest related information/digitalisation
- Started National Forest Inventory
Military activities of various intensities took place on the territory of 2.9 M ha of forest lands.
24th of February – the war started

110 real estates and numerous equipment were destroyed and damaged. The damage caused to state forestry enterprises, as a result of Russian military aggression, is estimated at 433 M USD.
It was before 24th of February

Reality right now at the significant territory
Main challenges of forest rehabilitation

- Mines and forest fires
- Destroyed properties/equipment and forest seed base + destroyed forest biodiversity and research base
- Strict legislation and reality of war time
- Necessary new forest management planning, resources for restoration of forest and biodiversity
Thank you for your attention

Future of Ukrainian forest depends on the support possible