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## Letter of Intent

Dear Mr Perschel

In 2017 Pro Silva established a new category of membership called associated membership. Associate members are individual persons or associations that have a strong interest in and commitment to the work of "Pro Silva". They agree to the set of fundamental Pro Silva principles (published by Pro Silva <sup>TM</sup>) on the website [www.prosilva.org](http://www.prosilva.org). Associate members pay no membership fee and have no vote at the general meeting.

Pro Silva decided at the annual meeting in Weimar on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018 to accept and welcome the "**New England Forestry Foundation**", 32 Foster Street, 01460 Littleton, USA as an associated member of Pro Silva, which has the main field of activities within Europe.

The purpose of the proposed partnership is to promote the concept and principles of close-to-nature sustainable forest management as practiced and promoted by Pro Silva in European countries also in the United States of America to support the exchange of knowledge and information about the ecological, economic, social and cultural functions of close-to-nature forests in the respective countries. In the future our organisations will have a formal exchange of knowledge and experience, travelling to see examples, attending congresses and conferences and also seek to develop projects that support this exchange.

Eckart Senitza

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- president of Pro Silva -