

PRO SILVA NEWS RELEASE PRO SILVA VISITS FORESTS IN CZECH REPUBLIC

Pro Silva is the international association of *Close to Nature* forest management associations in Europe and in the USA.

They held their annual meeting in the Czech Republic from 17th to 19th September with 48 delegates from 20 countries including the USA and India.

The forests in the Czech Republic are managed by rigid even-aged principles in part due to legislation and forest law. Pro Silva advocate that *Close to Nature* forestry principles and the introduction of irregular silviculture to forest management practices in the Czech Republic will greatly increase forest resilience in the face of climate change and economic upheavals.

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Notes to Editors: Background Information

- Pro Silva is an association of 28 countries in Europe and the USA
- Pro Silva is expanding internationally in Asia and Australasia
- Close to Nature silviculture is the management of forests that maintains a continuous canopy cover and permanent forest conditions that produce quality timber and protect the environment, water quality, soils and carbon stocks