

## Guest visit of Prof. Chris Weible (USA) hosted at the Chair of Forest and Environmental Policy (IFP), University of Freiburg, December 3rd-7th 2017

Prof. Dr. Christopher Weible, University of Colorado Denver, School of Public Affairs, USA successfully completed a short-term guest visit at the Chair of Forest and Environmental Policy (IFP), Institute of Environmental Social Sciences, University of Freiburg, Germany. This academic exchange was carried out upon invitation by Dr. Metodi Sotirov (Senior Researcher/Assistant Professor at the IFP) and Prof. Dr. Daniela Kleinschmit (Director of the IFP), and was kindly funded by the International Office, University of Freiburg.

During the guest visit, Prof. Weible held a well-attended and well-received public lecture on “Analyzing and Understanding Environmental and Land Use Policy Conflicts” at the School of Environment and Natural Resources, University of Freiburg. In addition, Prof. Weible gave valuable feedback to PhD researchers at the IFP working on analyzing environmental, natural resource and forest policy issues. He also provided useful teaching to and training of students enrolled in MSc “Environmental Sciences” taking classes in a module on “Analysis of Environmental Policy”.

Last, but not least, Chris Weible discussed with Dr. Sotirov and Prof. Kleinschmit options for further cooperation, incl. joint publication activities and follow up academic exchange as regards teaching and research.

