Current situation and prospects for the development of forestry cooperation between China and Russia

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Abstract. This paper comprehensively collates the current situation of forestry cooperation between China and Russia and makes a judgement on its development trends. The study mainly adopts the method of empirical research to prove the credibility of the views; it uses the method of comparative research to reveal the objectivity of inferences. In recent years, China's demand for wood products has increased significantly due to the rapid economic development. Russia is one of the largest suppliers of timber to China. After joining the World Trade Organization, China's forestry development has entered a new phase. Chinese timber companies are constantly seeking and expanding new exports to the international timber market in the face of fierce competition from the foreign partners. Due to the fact that the Russia's Siberian and Far-Eastern regions have the richest reserves of timber raw materials and the long-standing economic and trade connections with China, the China's forestry cooperation with the Russian Far East has made positive progress.

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