

RECENT CHANGES IN IUFRO'S STRUCTURE AND OFFICEHOLDERS

The changes to the structure and officeholders since the 62nd IUFRO Board Meeting in March 2023, for information to the IUFRO Board, are the following:

Working Party 2.02.05 – Breeding and genetic resources of Pacific Northwest conifers:

Deputy Coordinator Brian Baltunis has stepped down as of 31 December 2023.

Working Party 2.04.11 - Alpine forest genomics:

Coordinator Maria Höhn and Deputy Coordinator Berthold Heinze have stepped down. Deputy Coordinator Christian Rellstab, WSL, will become Coordinator. New Deputy Coordinators: Zoltan Köbölkuti; Katharina Budde, Goettingen University; Niels Müller, Thuenen Institute. (Marjana Westergren remains Deputy Coordinator)

Working Party 7.03.13 - Biological control of forest insects and pathogens:

Joe Elkinton is no longer a deputy coordinator for the WP; new Deputy Coordinator is Deborah Fischbein, Instituto de Investigaciones Forestales y Agropecuarias Bariloche (INTA-CONICET).

Working Party 8.03.06 - Impact of wind on forests:

Coordinator Barry Gardiner has stepped down. Deputy Coordinator Dirk Schindler, Freiburg University, Germany, will assume the position of Coordinator. New Deputy Coordinator: Tom Locatelli, Senior Scientist at Forest Research, UK.

Joint IFSA-IUFRO Task Force on Forest Education:

New IFSA Deputy Coordinators proposed by IFSA Coordinator Annie Biju: Casey Iwamoto and Helena Nováčková.