

**All-IUFRO Conference: *Forests in a Volatile World – Global Collaboration to Sustain Forests and Their Societal Benefits***

**University of Applied Arts ("Die Angewandte")**

**Vienna, Austria, 21-23 September 2022**

**<https://www.iufro.org/events/all-iufro-conference-2022/>**



## **MENTORING PROGRAM**

***Mentoring relationships are mutually beneficial and support personal or professional development.***

IUFRO has an interest in a continued involvement of students and young scientists in the organization. It is a way to safeguard the interest of aspiring scientists in collegial cooperation and the gradual process of organizational renewal. The IUFRO-IFSA Mentoring Program has been held at previous IUFRO conferences and has been immensely successful at connecting young professionals to senior scientists. We are therefore planning to hold this event again. The Mentoring Program comprises two forms: the mentor-mentee bilateral networking and two events in Vienna for all mentor-mentee pairs.

### **A. Outline:**

#### **1. Before the conference**

Register for the Mentoring Program by clicking the box in the registration form, stating whether you are interested in being a Mentor or a Mentee. It is important that you let us know about your main forest research interest so that we can make the best possible match between Mentor-Mentee.

The Mentor and Mentee pairs will be formed before the Conference by the organizing committee and the pairs are encouraged to get in contact online before the conference, to get to know each other, exchange professional profiles and discuss specific needs and wishes how to use the time together during the conference.

#### **2. During the conference**

Mentees and mentors meet in Vienna - meeting time and place are self-organized by the pairs. Mentors and mentees can organize their activities based on their needs, this might include sharing networks, discussing results and perspectives as well as ways to join IUFRO activities and needs for further activities.

All Mentors and Mentees meet during the event "Get involved in IUFRO" that takes place on September 22<sup>nd</sup> at lunch time (brown bag lunch) in form of speed dating. Mentees, but also mentors and further IUFRO officeholders are invited to take part and share their perspectives around IUFRO.

An inspirational speech is given by a specially invited guest as input for discussing the (forest) scientific career development on the evening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September before the conference dinner. Especially mentees are invited but all conference participants are welcome to join the discussion as well.

***B. Motivation to take part***

- Wider network and contacts with forest scientists within IUFRO
- Support in your personal and professional development
- Help with identifying professional directions and goals (including a SWOT analysis)
- Increase your chances of a successful career in academia
- A certificate of participation

We support the development of the mentor-mentee relationship by providing the venue, guidance and inspirational events during the conference.

***Interested?***

All you need to do is: click the box in the [registration form](#) for the conference and respond to the linked questions.