

# All-IUFRO Conference 2022

Forests in a Volatile World – Global Collaboration to Sustain Forests and Their Societal Benefits

## Gender (un-)equal networking of IUFRO: Creating new spaces and thinking

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Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry, 6.08.00 Research Group

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🕒 23 September 2022, 09:00 – 10:45 CEST

📍 Vienna, Hybrid Event

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The session tackles gender as a crosscutting issue and is planned as the stimulation for wider discussions amongst IUFRO members based on:

- i) Recent gender-related research results in forestry.
- ii) Presentation of results of the research activities and the reports of the Task Force in support of the IUFRO strategy. This includes the results of the mapping of IUFRO as an organisation, the survey amongst the IUFRO Officeholders and semi-structured interviews with IUFRO members in top management positions.
- iii) Panel discussion with top-level IUFRO representatives and IUFRO relevant international organizations with a purpose on exploring new ways and strategies to tackle the issue of gender (un-)equality within the IUFRO network.
- iv) Discussion with the audience on emerging questions including the implications for knowledge production in forest research. The discussion will be continued at the Poster session when further examples of newest gender-related research results in forestry will be presented.

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## PROGRAM

09:00 – 09:10 am	Welcome and Introduction
09:10 – 09:40 am	<p>Exemplify &amp; setting the broader scene (Flash Talks)</p> <p><b>“Training professionals in gender equality &amp; diversity in forestry – the development of a massive open online course (MOOC)” – Todor Rogelja</b></p> <p><b>“Creating new spaces for gender balance in the wood value chain: women in leadership and management” – Alice Ludvig</b></p> <p><b>“Gender-specific barriers in forestry: How do Austrian female leaders perceive barriers and what are their strategies to overcome them?” - Barbara Öllerer</b></p> <p><b>“The role of women in forest bureaucracies: a gender perspective analysis from the representatives of conservation and production interests in Argentina.” - Rocio Melina Garcia</b></p>
09:40 – 09:50 am	<p>Presentation of research findings - Report TF</p> <p><b>“Conditions for gender awareness in forest research and beyond – the IUFRO research network experiences.” – Elias Andersson</b></p>
09:50 – 10:40 am	<p>Panel</p> <p>Discussion with the audience</p> <p>Final statements of panelists</p>
10:40 – 10:45 am	Wrap-up & Take-home messages

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## PRESENTERS



### Gun Lidestav

*Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden*

Associate Professor Gun Lidestav, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, is a forest resource management scientist with a vast research knowledge on family and community forestry. In 2000 she initiated the IUFRO units on Gender and Forestry and has since then been engaged at various positions of the IUFRO network. Currently she is Coordinator of the IUFRO Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry.



### Elias Andersson

*Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden*

Associate Professor Elias Andersson, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, is a work and gender scientist who is conducting research on the wide spectrum of social aspects of natural resource management. He has an extensive research record on forestry, forest ownership and gender, mainly from a Nordic perspective, as well as a theoretical knowledge of gender and critical theory. Currently he is Coordinator of IUFRO Research Group 6.08.00 Gender and Forestry, and Deputy Coordinator of the IUFRO Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry.



### Todora Rogelja

*University of Padova, Italy*

Dr. Todora Rogelja holds a Ph.D. in forest governance and works as a researcher at the University of Padova (Italy) with a focus on topics of social innovation, actors, capacities, and sustainable resource management. She has a broad experience in tutoring and curating content in Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) on social innovation.



### Alice Ludvig

*University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna and EFI Forest Policy Research Network, Austria*

Dr. Alice Ludvig is a Senior Researcher and Policy Scientist at the Institute of Forest, Environmental and Natural Resource Policy, BOKU University, Vienna. Her research covers policies for innovation and entrepreneurship throughout the forest-based value chains. She is one of the Deputy Coordinators of the IUFRO Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry.

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## Barbara Öllerer

*University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna and EFI Forest Policy Research Network, Austria*

Barbara Öllerer (MSc) is an early-stage researcher and PhD student at the Institute of Forest, Environmental and Natural Resource Policy, BOKU University, Vienna. She is passionate about the intersections of society and forests, with her main research interests being societal transformations, gender equality and inclusion in the forestry sector, and policy analysis. Barbara is Head of Gender Sub-Commission 2021-2022 at the International Forestry Students' Association (IFSA) and a member of the IUFRO Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry.



## Rocio Melina Garcia

*Institute of Research for Natural Resources, Agroecology and Rural Development (IRNAD), CONICET-UNRN, Argentina*

Rocio Melina Garcia is a Forestry Engineer graduated at Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina, and since 2019 she is a doctoral student at the Institute of Research for Natural Resources, Agroecology and Rural Development (CONICET-UNRN).

## PANEL DISCUSSION AND MODERATION



## Teppo Hujala

*University of Eastern Finland, Finland*

Professor Teppo Hujala, University of Eastern Finland, has vast research experience on family forest owners, including gender aspects and female forest ownership. His expertise areas contain forest planning, decision support methods, service research, and assessment of policy instruments and new business models for sustainable forest-based bioeconomy. He has served the Gender Equality Task Force with matters relating to policies, businesses and services in forestry, especially in connection with small-scale forestry research (IUFRO 3.08.00).

## PANELLISTS



## John Parrotta

*IUFRO President, US Forest Service, United States*

John has been active in IUFRO since 1993 and served in a many IUFRO positions. He has been involved in research worldwide for over 30 years. He has been a member of the IUFRO Management Committee since 2006, served as Vice-President for Task Forces, Special Programmes, Projects and IUFRO-led Initiatives from 2014-2019, and began his 5-year term as IUFRO President in October 2019. He is a national Program Leader for International Forest Science Issues at the U.S. Forest Service.

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## Alexander Buck

*IUFRO Executive Director, Austria*

Alexander Buck is Executive Director of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO). From 2007 to 2010, he coordinated the Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP), an IUFRO-led initiative of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) to provide objective and independent scientific assessments of key issues in order to support more informed decision-making at the global level. He also worked at the University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences and at Forest Europe.



## Kalpana Giri

*Regional Community Forestry Training Center for Asia and the Pacific (RECOFTC), and World Resources Institute (WRI), Nepal*

Dr. Kalpana Giri from Nepal has been a Senior Program Officer at the Center for People and Forests - in short, RECOFTC, Thailand, where she promoted gender and social equity into RECOFTC's forest programming and operations - through policies and projects in Nepal, Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar and Indonesia. She is now about to join the World Resources Institute where her work will be around restoration, forestry, land uses and equity.



## Theresa Klara Loch

*International Forestry Students' Association (IFSA), Germany*

Theresa Klara Loch (MSc) is a PhD student at the University of Freiburg. For the term 2021-2022 she holds the position as IFSA Gender Commissioner.