

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

Task Force Gender Equality in Forestry, 6.08.00 Research Group

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#### **Program**

- 9.00 Welcome and Introduction to the session
- 9.10 Setting the broader scene with four flash talks
- 9.30 Presentation of the organizational analysis;
  - Conditions for gender awareness in forest research and beyond the IUFRO research network experiences
- 9.40 Mentimeter poll to the participants
- 9.50 Panel discussion
- 10.40 Wrap-up & Take-home message
  What next & Final words





Term: 2019-2024

Comprise members from various regions and IUFRO Division

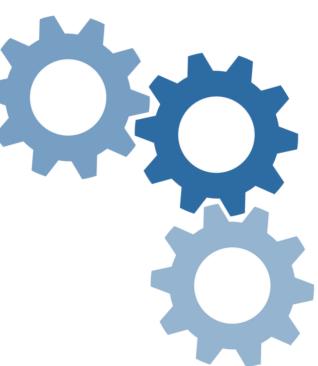
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#### Main purpose:

- Map the gender balance within IUFRO
- Analyze and identify barriers to gender equality

#### **Activities:**

- 1) Gender structure in IUFRO
- 2) Gender equality initiatives
- 3) Expertise on gender research
- 4) Action plan
- **5) 2024 Congress**





#### Why representation matter in forest sciences

## Professional development

Who is included/excluded?

## Scientific quality

Which subjects & research questions are included/excluded?

## Policy relevance

Which problems and policy implementations are included/excluded?



# "Creating new spaces for gender balance in the wood value chain: women in leadership and management"

- Study Focus: Connections between gender equality and resilience in the forest-based value chains.
- "Are gender equal organisations more resilient?"

 Hence: → Would IUFRO as a network organisation become more resilient with more inclusion?

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# The role of women in forest bureaucracies

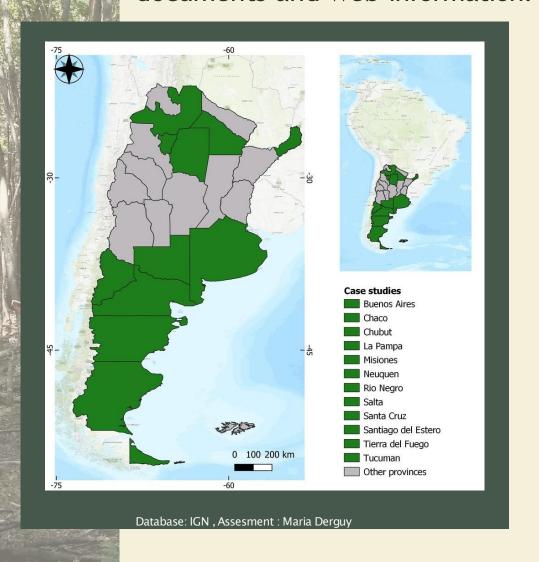
a gender perspective analysis from the representatives of conservation and production interests in Argentina



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# DATA Semi structered interviews, official documents and web information.



#### STRUCTURE FACTORS (DV)

1. Women in high positions



- 2. Number of employees
- 3. Professions
- 4. Levels of hierarchy



#### APPLICATION OF A FOREST LAW (IV)

 Area of the province under MP or CP (2019) and Deforestation Rate (2018-2020)

METHODOLOGY:-Clusters->QCA

-Process Tracing

#### Research question

Which factors are intentionally deliverated to disempower forest institutions?

### PRELIMINATY RESULTS AND DISCUSSION



	raw coverage	unique coverage	consistency
Levels*~Staff*~Professions	0.285509	0.045911	1
~WomenHighPositions*Levels*~Professions	0.285509	0.045911	0.854077
~WomenHighPositions*~Levels*Professions	0.476327	0.381636	0.988095

The province with majority of women in high positions is the only one that has not implement MP or CP yet. The study case shows a similar tendency.

Women in a group within a masculinized sector may be in danger of widening the gender gap. (Eduards, 2002; Lidestay, 2021)

The incomplete citizenship of women in Argentina gives advantages to men assigning preference in important employment positions. (Barrancos, 2011)





#### Gender-specific barriers in forestry: How do Austrian female leaders perceive barriers and what are their strategies to overcome them?

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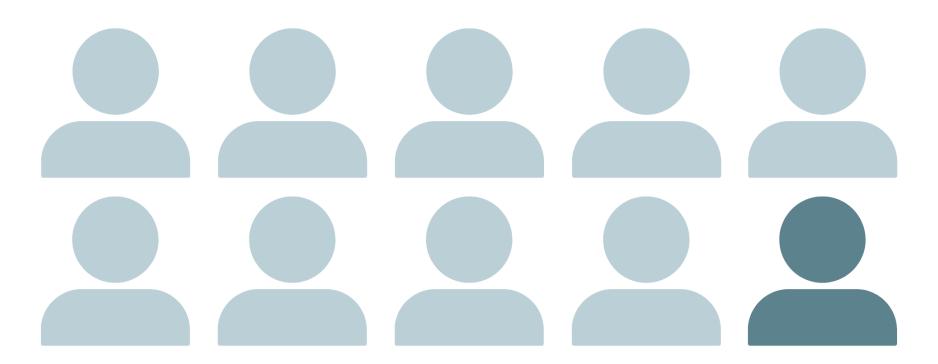
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Sexual harassment

Sexually connotative speech

Discrimination based on gender

Glass ceiling

Family care responsibilities

Understanding of competence

Lack of networks

Tokenism

Inflexible working hours

Roles and traditions

Lack of awareness of the scope of the issue

Lack of solidarity among women

Being subjected to scrutiny

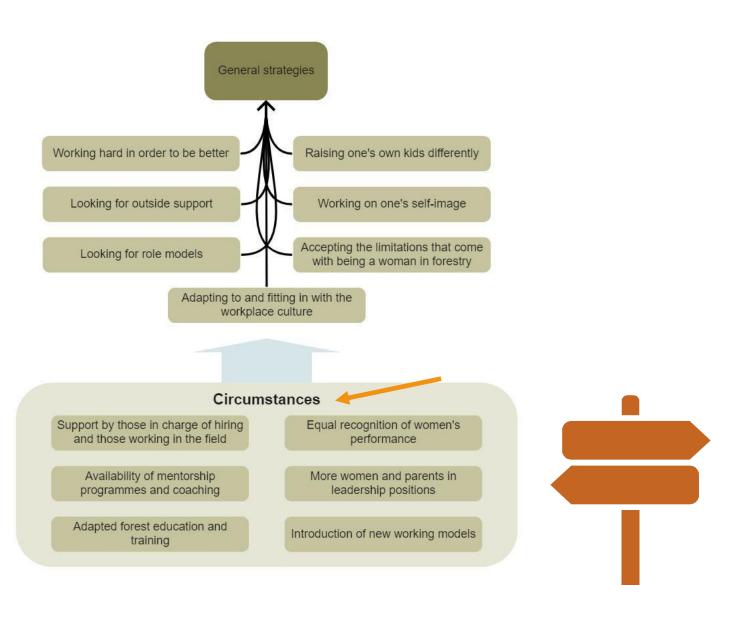
"as soon as you have a child [...], you have nothing left in your brain [...], that's how it felt to me. Everyone only talked to me about my [child]. There was nothing professional at all"

"you are a young mother, and therefore not suitable for the job. [...] They wouldn't say you became a young father a few weeks or months ago and that's why you're not suitable"





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#### Thank you!

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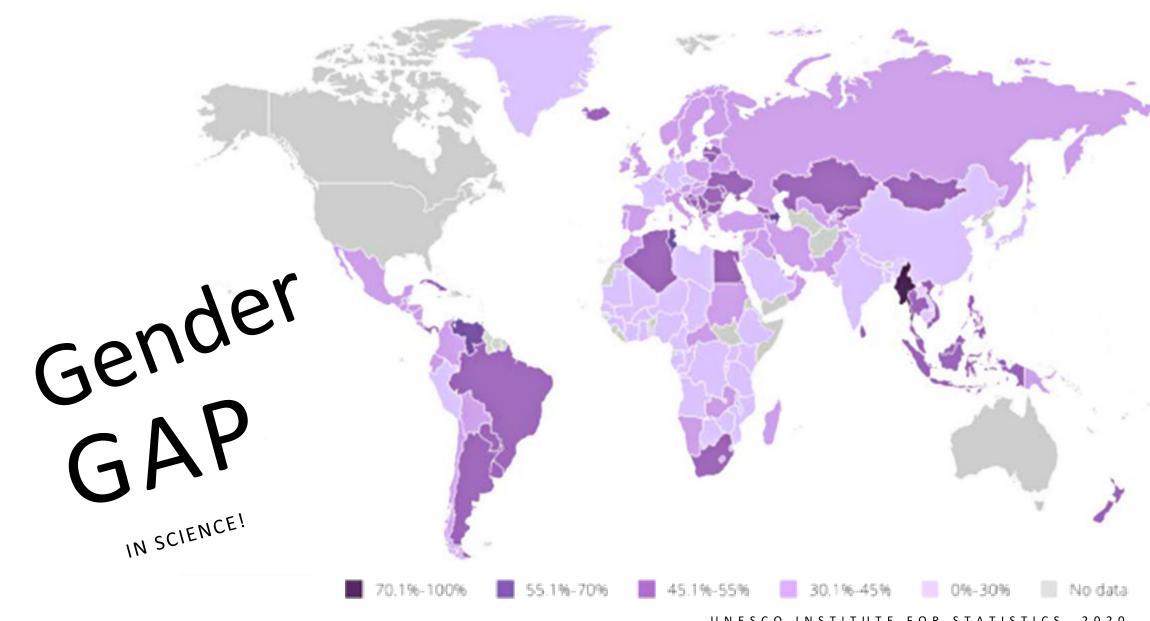
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what are other words for underrepresented?



undersold, understated, lessened, diminished, underpriced, denigrated, cheapened, undercharged

gender issues in

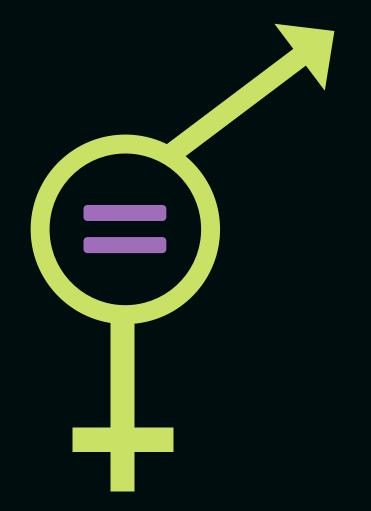
forest education





# MECAN THIS PROBLEM TOGETHER





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GENDER
EQALITY &
DIVERSITY
IN FORESTRY



#### 1ST MOOC ON

#### GENDER ISSUES IN FORESTRY ♣

• OPEN ACCESS



• MODULE BASED





• ECTS & MICROCREDITS
COMPATIBLE



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# Conditions for gender awareness in forest research and beyond

- the IUFRO research network experiences

Elias Andersson





#### Women/Men

22%**/**78%

24%/76%

(50%/50%)

#### **International Council**

**Board** 

Headquarters

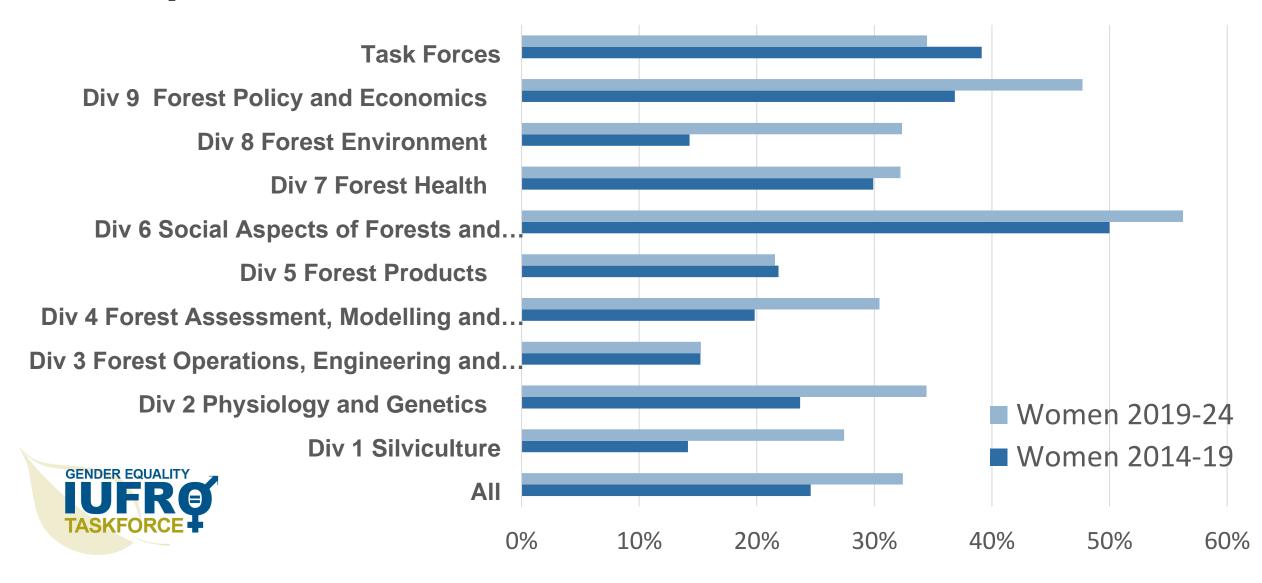
Divisions

Task Forces Projects,
Programmes
and Initiatives

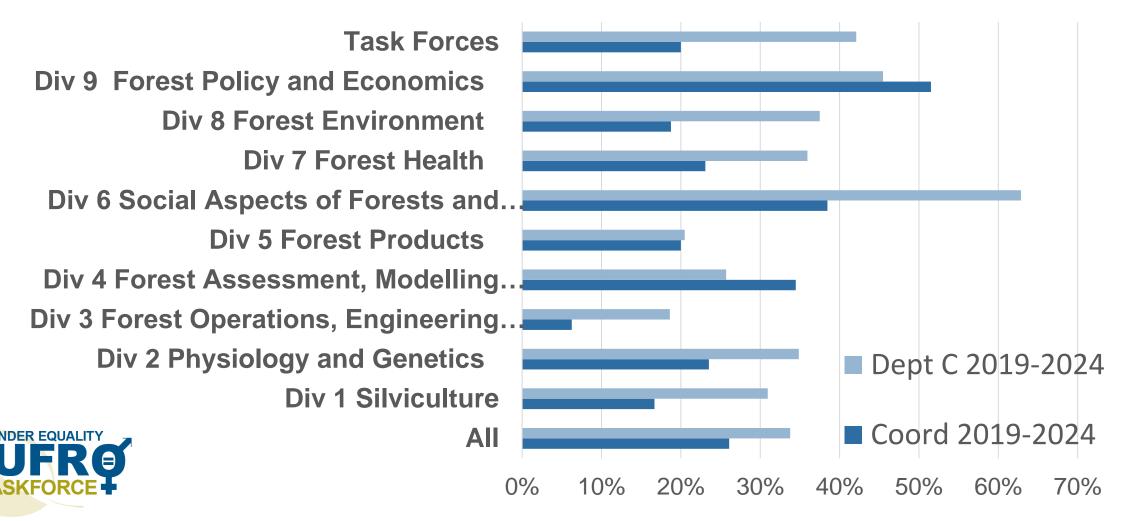
**Special** 

32%/68% 34%/66%

#### Representation: share of women as office holders



## **Representation:** share of women as Coordinators and Deputy Coordinators





#### Officeholder survey

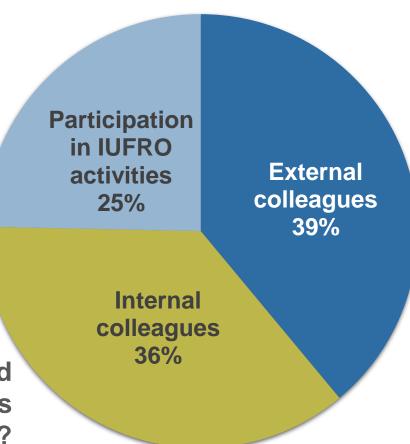
156 responses (response rate of 18%)

59% men & 41% women,

67%= at IUFRO 5 years or less

61%= Deputy Coordinators

How were you recruited to your initial position as officeholder?



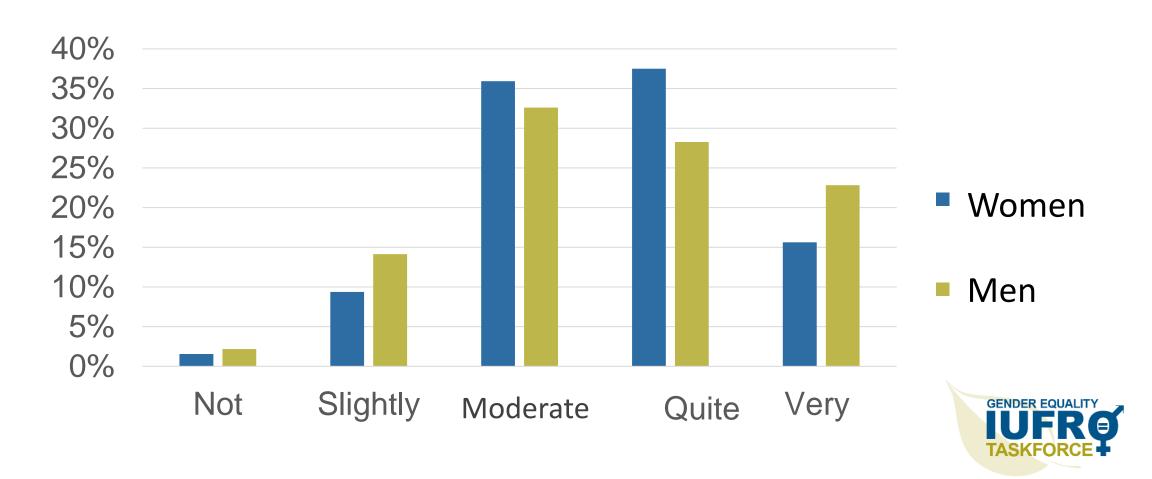


### Do you experience gender inequality as a constraint to your participation in the IUFRO network?

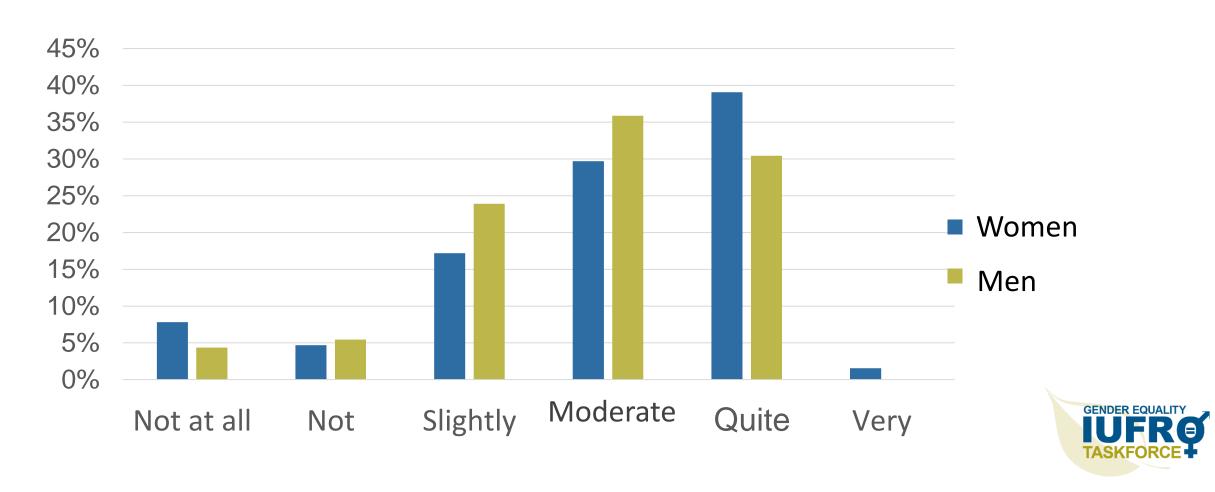
- 11% of the men
- 24% of the women

reported 5 or more on a 10-point scale

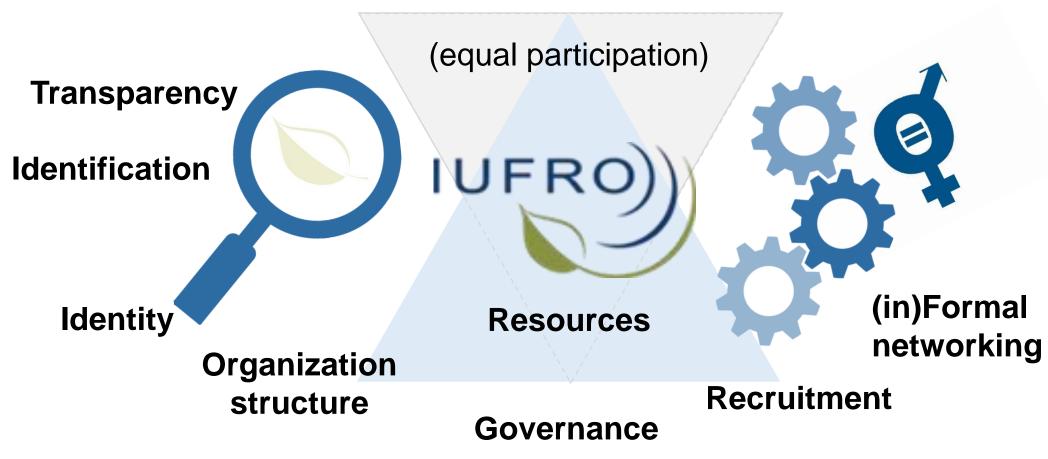
#### How important is the IUFRO network for your professional development?



### To strengthen the participation of scientists on equal terms, how important is it to improve gender equality within the IUFRO network?



#### **Barriers to inclusion**





#### Mentimeter poll to the participants





#### Panel discussion

**Moderator:** Teppo Hujala

Panelists: IUFRO President John Parrotta

IUFRO Executive Director Alexander Buck

Dr. Kalpana Giri, Senior Program Officer RECOFTC/WRI

MSc. Theresa Klara Loch, IFSA Gender Commissioner





#### Questions

- **Q 1.** From your perspective, what would be the three main arguments for engage in issue of gender (un-)equality within the IUFRO network?
- Q2. From your perspective, what are the main challenges?
- **Q3.** From your perspective, which actions do you believe will bring about a desirable change?

# Final reflections from the panel









#### What next & Final words

- Poster session
- Follow-up survey
- Complete the organizational analysis
- Compare gender equality initiatives
- List of gender expertise
- Develop a MOOC
- Organize "Gender Equality in Forestry"
   themes and activities at IUFRO 2024



