



## Professor Zhang Shougong

Prof. Zhang Shougong was graduated from Anhui Agricultural University in 1982 and then worked for the University by teaching. He obtained a PhD degree on agricultural sciences from Beijing Forestry University in 1990. In the same year, he started working with the Research Institute of Forestry of the Chinese Academy of Forestry (CAF), carrying out researches on forest management. He has served as the director of the Research Institute (1995 – 1997) and the vice president of CAF (1997 – 2007) and now serves as president of CAF. He also serves as vice president of the Chinese Society of Forestry (CSF) and visiting professor of Northwest Agriculture and Forestry University.



As one of the leading scientists in silviculture and forest management in China, he has long experience in establishment of planted forests and sustainable forest management. His research interests cover quality improvement and breeding of larch species, technologies for larch forest management and their application. His research achievements include the re-specification of stand-scale forest growth model and product prediction model for forest management, the division of ecological breeding regions of larch forests, the identification of genetic improvement and oriented cultivation technologies for high-quality larch germplasm resources, and the development of technologies for seed selection, scale reproduction and cultivation of new coniferous pulpwood strains. His work accelerated the development of SFM conceptual framework, technology and associated indicator system in China.

With his research achievements, he has obtained three national patents and one international patent and won eight awards at national and sub-national (ministerial and provincial) levels, including three 2<sup>nd</sup>-class national prizes and one 1<sup>st</sup>-class sub-national prize. He published 7 academic books and more than 150 scientific papers, 28 of which were collected by SCI journals.

In addition, he also works as a PhD candidate supervisor. Up to now he has supervised 40 post-doctoral fellows, PhD candidates and master students.