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### Cultural Inheritance and Innovation of Wood & Wood Products

by Jinling Su, Deputy Coordinator, [5.10.01](#), Wood Culture

The China-ASEAN International Wood Culture Forum took place in Nanning, China on November 19, 2010. The event was organized by the International Wood Culture Society (IWCS) and supported by the China Timber and Wood Products Distribution Association and IUFRO Division 5.

The forum attracted some 100 representatives from China, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand and Singapore. With the theme of *Cultural Inheritance and Innovation of Wood and Wood Products* in China-ASEAN, the forum covered five topics:

- (1) Resources and historical cultural characteristics of wood and wood products in China-ASEAN
- (2) The culture integration and innovation of wood products based on cultural market trends
- (3) Wood culture for corporate identity
- (4) Wood industry's responsibility
- (5) Platform for learning and developing wood culture for the betterment of wood

In Vietnam, Cambodia and Myanmar wood artifacts such as ancient wood carving, wood framed constructions and wood decoration, while maintaining their local symbolism, were deeply influenced by Chinese culture, Indian Buddhism and western cultures. In Thailand wood products are part of the cultural and religious life and in furniture design and interior wood decoration great emphasis is placed on details. All aspects of Thai daily life are characterized by a blend of past traditions and present-day innovation.

In Malaysia wood is widely used in daily life and wood culture has played an important role in the development of Malaysian culture. The wood carvings of Jepara in Indonesia started during the Majapahit dynasty and were influenced by Islam. The design of the carvings developed from floral ornaments to calligraphy and figural motifs. The artistic quality of wood carving increases the value of the wooden products.

With regard to the raw material problems with Hongmu, a very rare wood, Singapore entrepreneurs presented three solutions that take account of the conditions that tropical forests are not destroyed and domestic and international laws are not violated.

Sixteen Chinese speakers made presentations on the culture of Chinese traditional Hongmu furniture, wood decoration, wood carving, wooden floors, and wood and health. The situation of the industry and challenges concerning the production of wooden stairs, doors and toys were also discussed. Chinese wood product enterprises are gaining in experience both from China



Pictures taken by IWCS staff:  
Group photo with speakers (top); Discussion session of 2010 China-ASEAN International Wood Culture Forum



and abroad and are in a transition phase from imitated to innovative products.

During the forum delegates also visited the 2010 China – ASEAN Expo. At the Chinese Pavilions and the ASEAN Pavilion, timber merchants exhibited many competitive wood products with unique characteristics. At the Wood Culture Pavilion with the theme *Beauty of Wood*, visitors enjoyed traditional Chinese wood culture and art such as classical collections of wonderful Ming and Qing dynasty furniture and extant works of art.

The 2010 event was the first that offered a platform for discussions on culture of wood and wood products in China. The forum provided a good foundation for further communication and cooperation in the region. The idea of „Wood is Good“ as promoted by IWCS was endorsed by the delegates. IWCS will set up a working group for the continuous exploration of wood culture of China-ASEAN region.



## Embracing Complexity: Meeting the Challenges of International Forest Governance

**IUFRO World Series Vol. 28,**  
**Edited by: Jeremy Rayner,**  
**Alexander Buck, Pia Katila**

A new study assessing international efforts to improve forest governance was issued together with a policy brief on 24

January 2011 by the Global Forest Expert Panel on International Forest Regime. It suggests among other

things that global efforts have too often ignored local needs and failed to address the fact that deforestation is usually caused by economic pressures from outside the forests. The detailed results of the work of the expert panel, which was constituted under the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and coordinated by IUFRO, was presented to the Ninth Session of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) on 31 January 2011 as part of the launch of the International Year of Forests.

The [report](#), the [policy brief](#) (English/French/Spanish) and a [press release](#) - *New Study Suggests Global Pacts Like REDD Ignore Primary Causes of Destruction of Forests* - **are available for download**. Find more information about the Expert Panel on Int'l Forest Regime at: <http://www.iufro.org/science/gfep/forest-regime-panel/>

## Forest Day 4: Time to Act

By Alexander Buck, IUFRO Executive Director

Forest Day 4 took place on 5 December 2010 under the motto "Time to Act" alongside the 16th Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Cancún, Mexico. In the same way as in previous years, IUFRO co-hosted Forest Day 4 as a member of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and contributed to the thematic program. The Learning Event co-organized by IUFRO and IUCN shed light on the links between forest-based climate change mitigation and adaptation in forest landscapes.

Since 2007, Forest Day has become one of the world's leading global platforms for exchanging views and information about forests and climate change. IUFRO co-hosted all four forest days organized to date. The 2010 Forest Day attracted more than 1,500 participants including over 350 climate negotiators. Even more people followed the day via news media and social media such as the Forest Day blog. Prominent speakers included the President of Mexico, Felipe Calderón and John Ashton, special representative for climate change at the UK Foreign Commonwealth Office.

Against the background of climate negotiators finalizing an agreement on REDDplus, **IUFRO's joint Learning Event with IUCN focused on potential synergies and trade-offs between mitigation and adaptation in forest landscapes.**

The Learning Event was organized by IUFRO's new Executive Director Alexander Buck and moderated by IUFRO President Professor Niels Elers Koch.

In his keynote presentation, José Campos (CATIE) reminded the more than 100 participants that people and ecosystems were interacting in landscapes in search for sustainable livelihoods. He underlined the need for system approaches to landscape management and multi-stakeholder platforms for reconciling trade-offs between mitigation and adaptation.



Richard Birdsey (United States Forest Service) pointed out that tropical forests were the most important terrestrial component of the global carbon budget and sounded an alarm to policy makers that climate change had the potential to overwhelm any expected gains in carbon stocks from mitigation. Walter Vergara (Global Expert Team Leader on Climate Change Adaptation, The World Bank) presented the findings of a new assessment of the risk of Amazon dieback. The study found that the anticipated consequences of climate change might affect the density of vegetation carbon in the Amazon and result in a significant risk of dieback especially in Southern and Eastern Amazonia.

Stewart Maginnis (Director, Environment and Development Group, IUCN) highlighted that an estimated 1.5 billion hectares of forest lands and secondary forests worldwide were degraded. He stated that integrated landscape management and forest restoration offered the potential to foster synergies between adaptation and mitigation by increasing carbon stocks while at the same time enhancing ecosystem resilience and reducing social and economic vulnerabilities of forest-dependent people.

Keeping in mind the motto of Forest Day 4, "Time to Act", the Learning Event provided ample evidence about how to implement forest based solutions for climate change mitigation and adaptation. Yet, strong efforts are needed to reduce overall carbon emissions from fossil fuels and deforestation so that the adaptive capacity of forests can be preserved and expected gains in land carbon can be realized.

The Forest Day 4 Summary Statement is available at <http://www.forestsclimatechange.org/ForestDay-4.html>

## Asia-Pacific Symposium on Vulnerability Assessments to Natural and Anthropogenic Hazards

By Sim Heok-Choh, APAFRI

On December 7-10, 2010, the Asia Pacific Association of Forestry Research Institutions (APAFRI) and Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB) held the "Asia and the Pacific Symposium on Vulnerability Assessments to Natural and Anthropogenic Hazards" at the Traders Hotel Manila, Philippines. It was attended by participants from fourteen countries including Australia, Bangladesh, China, Fiji Islands, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.

The Symposium served as a venue of exchange of knowledge and initiatives in vulnerability assessment. It contributed to building linkages and achieving synergies. Its output will be useful in preparing appropriate programs or projects dealing with the inherent biophysical and socio-institutional characteristics of ecosystems and with the stressors of resources including the impacts of climate change.

The Symposium covered three themes:

Theme 1 – Application and Models

Theme 2 – Vulnerability Assessment of Coastal Zones

Theme 3 – Vulnerability Assessment of Watersheds



(L-R) ERDB Director, Marcial C. Amaro, Jr.; USEC Manuel D. Gerochi, DENR Undersecretary for Staff Bureaus; Dr. Sim Heok-Choh, APAFRI Secretariat, and Dr. Im Kyun Lee of Korea Forest Research Institute. Photographed by Mr. Gino Laforteza

It was suggested that the Symposium could be arranged in a regular interval of time with higher participation from highly disaster prone and climate change vulnerable countries such as Bangladesh, China or India, to learn other vulnerability assessment perspectives such as drought, socio-participatory, earthquake, floods and landslide. If possible, a hands-on site visit to sites/countries undertaking vulnerability assessment studies should also be done.

(Report abridged by the editor)

## Honorable Doctorate for IUFRO President

On 12 January 2011, the Moscow State Forest University (MSFU) conferred the honorary degree of doctor to IUFRO President Niels Elers Koch in a formal celebration. Among the 10 honorary doctors that have been awarded by MSFU so far, Niels Elers Koch is the third IUFRO President to receive this honor following past presidents Risto Seppälä and Don Koo Lee. This is another token of the longstanding good relationship between IUFRO and MSFU, which joined IUFRO in January 1990.



Professor Niels Elers Koch together, among others, with the Rector, Professor Victor Sanaev (standing behind Prof. Elers Koch), Vice-Rector and IUFRO International Council (IC) representative Professor Valentin Shalaev (to the right of Prof. Sanaev), and Nicolai Moiseev, IC member between 1993 and 1995 (to the left of Prof. Elers Koch). Photo by Sergei Ramazanov (MSFU)

## Publications

Find information on non-IUFRO publications at:

<http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/>

## New WFSE Policy Brief

The latest policy brief prepared by the IUFRO WFSE project with the title "**Making forests work for people and nature – Responding to global drivers of change**" was presented on 31 January 2011 at a UNFF9 side event.

This policy brief is based on the book "Forest and Society – Responding to Global Drivers of Change" that was presented at the XXIII IUFRO World Congress in Seoul, Korea, August 2010. It discusses challenges and opportunities related to the global drivers of change and the ways to reduce their adverse effects as well as to take advantage of the benefits and opportunities they might bring. The policy brief conveys the main findings, conclusions and recommendations of the book. Visit: <http://www.iufro.org/science/special/wfse/>

## IUFRO Proceedings

For proceedings of IUFRO meetings in 2010, visit:

<http://www.iufro.org/publications/proceedings/proceedings-meetings-2010/>

### Ecotourism in Forest Ecosystems

Proceedings of a workshop of the Foresters' Association of Turkey (TODEG), *other publications* series no. 10. The meeting was held from 20-22 May 2010 in Ankara, Turkey. ISBN 978-9944-0048-5-5

### Forest Science and Technology

This international journal publishes original research articles and reviews dealing with all aspects of forest science. Editor-in-Chief: Yowhan Son, Korea University, Korea. <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/tfst>

### Forest Systems

Special issue on trends in modelling to address forest management and environmental challenges in Europe, developed under COST ACTION FP0603 - Forest models for research and decision support in sustainable forest management - WG 1.

<http://recyt.fecyt.es/index.php/IA/issue/view/861/showToc>

### Collaborative Governance of Tropical Landscapes

By Colfer and Pfund, eds., *Earthscan, London, 2011*

The publication presents governance-related findings from a three year project in Cameroon, Indonesia, Laos, Madagascar, and Tanzania. The project focused on biodiversity and livelihoods issues, at various scales, in and near protected areas in those five countries.

For more information, contact:

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### Forests and Climate Change in the Near East Region

The primary objective of this FAO, Forests and Climate Change Working Paper is to provide an overview of the actual and potential impact of climate change on forests and forest dependent people in the Near East region, of climate change mitigation opportunities in the forestry sector, and of needs for effective national and regional responses.

<http://www.fao.org/forestry/climatechange/53622/en/>

## IUFRO Meetings

Search our [online calendar](#) for a full list of meetings! Find non-IUFRO meetings on the IUFRO [Noticeboard](#)! Also search for forest-related events in GFIS at: <http://www.gfis.net>

### First Announcement

**8-13 July 2012**

**All Division 5 Conference  
Estoril, Portugal**

We are pleased to announce that the next IUFRO All-Division 5 Conference is to be held in Estoril, Portugal July 8 - 13, 2012. IUFRO, along with the Technical University of Lisbon, would like to extend an invitation to all forest products researchers to participate in this international event.

### Awards

Find information on non-IUFRO awards at: <http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/>

### Forest Products Society Presents Awards

The Forest Products Society will present four awards at its International Convention this June in Portland, Oregon, USA.

For more information, please contact Anne Linkert, Forest Products Society at: [anne\(at\)forestprod.org](mailto:anne(at)forestprod.org).

### Position and Course Announcements

Find vacancy and course announcements at: <http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/>

### EFI seeks Head of Foresight and Information Research Programme

Among the core duties of this post are managing and coordinating the Foresight and Information Programme and the information services in accordance with the EFI strategy.

[http://www.efi.int/portal/about\\_efi/human\\_resources/careers/open\\_posts/](http://www.efi.int/portal/about_efi/human_resources/careers/open_posts/)

### Graduate Research Assistantship in Plant-Insect Interactions

Applications are invited for graduate student positions (Ph.D. or M.Sc. level) to study plant-insect interactions in the laboratory of Dr. Steven Ralph at the University of North Dakota (UND). [http://www.und.edu/dept/biology/biology\\_graduate\\_program.htm](http://www.und.edu/dept/biology/biology_graduate_program.htm)

### PhD course on Social Theory in Natural Resources Management

May 23-27, 2011, Forest & Landscape Denmark, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Copenhagen

Send your application to Jens Friis Lund, [jens@life.ku.dk](mailto:jens@life.ku.dk) by February 28, 2011. Find more information at:

<http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/#c14635>

We are sure your presence and active participation will help to guarantee the success of the endeavor, as this is a unique opportunity to meet and share knowledge, with colleagues from all over the world. We would also like to invite all IUFRO Units to consider holding a meeting alongside this All-Division 5 conference.

We kindly ask you to spread the news through your data base contacts. For further information please visit the website at <http://www.iufro2012.org>

*We look forward to welcoming you in Portugal in 2012!*

10-11 February 2011

**Guiding Forest Management on Biodiversity Conservation & Climate Adaptation**

Bhubaneswar, India

[9.05.06](#)

Contact: Bikash Rath, bikash.rath(at)rcdcindia.org

10-12 Feb 2011

**Short Rotation Forestry: Synergies for Wood Production and Environmental Amelioration**

Ludhiana, India

[1.03.00](#)

Contact: Sanjeev Chauhan, chauhanpau(at)rediffmail.com

28 Mar-2 Apr 2011

**2nd Advanced Training Program on Wood-Based Panels Technology and Business Know-how Training Program for Professionals in South-East Asia**

Walailak University, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand

[5.05.00](#)

Contact: Marius Barbu, marcat(at)gmx.at

<http://wood.wu.ac.th/woodtraining/2011/index.php>

3-5 Apr 2011

**International Symposium: Recent Advances in Land Owner Extension**

Kuusamo, Finland

[3.08.00](#)

Contact: John Herbohn, j.herbohn(at)uq.edu.au

<http://www.metla.fi/hanke/3521/symposium/>

5-7 April 2011

**Fourth Forest Engineering Conference "Innovation in Forest Engineering – Adapting to Structural Change"**

White River, Mpumalanga, South Africa

[3.00.00](#)

Contact: Pierre Ackerman, packer(at)sun.ac.za

<http://academic.sun.ac.za/forestry/FEC%202011/FEC%202011%20Home.htm>

7-20 May 2011

**MEDINSECT 3**

Hammamet, Tunisia

[7.03.14](#)

Contact: François Lieutier, francois.lieutier(at)univ-orleans.fr; Mohamed Lahbib Ben Jamaa, benjamaa.lahbib(at)iresa.agrinet.tn

23-28 May 2011

**Workshop of Working Party 7.02.02**

Cantabria, Spain

[7.02.02](#)

Contact: Julio Javier Diez Casero, jdcasero(at)pvs.uva.es

<http://www.iufro2011.com/>

1-4 Jun 2011

**14th European Forum on Urban Forestry**

Glasgow, United Kingdom

[6.07.00](#)

Contact: efufscotland2011(at)forestry.gsi.gov.uk

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/INFD-8BNFQ6>

6-8 June 2011

**2011 TAPPI International Conference on Nanotechnology for Renewable Materials**

Arlington, Virginia, United States

[5.00.00](#)

Contact: Raine Hyde, rhyde(at)tappi.org

<http://tappinano.org/>

6-10 Jun 2011

**MEDPINE 4**

**4th International Conference on Mediterranean Pines**

Avignon, France

[8.00.00](#), [2.02.13](#)

Contact: Jean-Michel Carnus,

Jean-Michel.Carnus(at)pierroton.inra.fr

Eric Rigolot, eric.rigolot(at)avignon.inra.fr

<https://colloque.inra.fr/medpine4>

24-28 Jul 2011

**Small-Scale Forestry: Synergies and Conflicts in Social, Ecological and Economic Interactions**

Freiburg, Germany

[3.08.00](#)

Contact: John Herbohn, j.herbohn(at)uq.edu.au

<http://www.small-scale-forestry-2011.de/>

31 Jul – 4 Aug 2011

**IUFRO 8.03.06 Impact of Wind on Forests - 6th International Conference on Wind and Trees**

Athens, Georgia, USA

[8.03.06](#), University of Georgia, USDA Forest Service

Contact: Chris Peterson, chris(at)plantbio.uga.edu

<http://www.sref.info/resources/events/wind-and-trees-2011-iufro-research-conference-athens-ga>

31 Jul – 5 Aug 2011

**Fourth International Workshop on the Genetics of Host-Parasite Interactions in Forestry**

Eugene, Oregon, United States

[2.02.15](#), [7.03.11](#)

Contact: Richard A. Sniezko, rsniezko(at)fs.fed.us

[http://ucanr.org/sites/tree\\_resistance\\_2011conference/](http://ucanr.org/sites/tree_resistance_2011conference/)

8-10 Aug 2011

**International Conference on Responses of Forests and Adaptation Management to Climate Change**

Yichun, Heilongjiang, China

[8.01.07](#)

Contact: Shirong Liu, liusr(at)caf.ac.cn

23-28 Aug 2011

**3rd International Conference on Conservation of Forest Genetic Resources in Siberia**

Krasnoyarsk, Russia

[2.00.00](#)

Contact: Konstantin V. Krutovsky, k-krutovsky(at)tamu.edu

[http://conf.nsc.ru/cfgrs2011/info\\_letter](http://conf.nsc.ru/cfgrs2011/info_letter)

4-11 Sep 2011

**13th IUFRO Conference on "Root and Butt Rot of Forest Trees"**

Firenze – S. Martino Di Castrozza, Trento, Italy

[7.02.01](#)

Contact: Paolo Capretti, paolo.capretti(at)unifi.it

<http://nature.berkeley.edu/garbelotto/english/iufro13.php>

7-9 Sep 2011

**Novel Risks with Bark and Wood Boring Insects in Broadleaved and Conifer Forests**

Sopron, Hungary

[7.03.05](#)

Contact: Barbara J. Bentz, bbentz(at)fs.fed.us

Ferenc Lakatos, flakatos(at)emk.nyme.hu

Rudolf Wegensteiner, rudolf.wegensteiner(at)boku.ac.at

<http://www.nyme.hu/index.php?id=15993>

12-17 Sep 2011

**9th International Beech Symposium: Ecology and Silviculture of Beech**

Dresden, Germany

[1.01.07](#)

**Contact:** Khosro Sagheb-Talebi, sagheb talebi(at)rifr-ac.ir  
 Nils Fahlvik, beech2011(at)forst.tu-dresden.de  
<http://www.forst.tu-dresden.de/iufrobeechn1/>

14-16 Sep 2011

**Animals, Man and Treescapes: The Interactions between Grazing Animals, People and Wooded Landscapes**

Sheffield, United Kingdom

[9.03.01](#)

**Contact:** Ian Rotherham, i.d.rotherham(at)shu.ac.uk  
 Christine Handley, christine(at)hallamec.plus.com  
<http://www.ukeconet.co.uk/index.php/events/50-conferences/142-animal-man-a-treescapes-conference-sept-2011>

16-21 Oct 2011

**Alien invasive species and international trade**

Tokyo, Japan

[7.03.12](#)

**Contact:** Kenji Fukuda, fukuda(at)k.u-tokyo.ac.jp  
<http://hyoka.nenv.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/alien.html>

24-26 Oct 2011

**Tree-Stumps for Bioenergy - Harvesting Techniques and Environmental Consequences**

Uppsala, Sweden

[3.00.00](#)

**Contact:** Tryggve Persson, Tryggve.Persson(at)slu.se  
<http://www.slu.se/treestumpsymposium2011>

8-11 Nov 2011

**IUFRO Forest Entomology – Forest Pathology Joint Meeting**

Colonia Del Sacramento, Uruguay

[7.02.00](#), [7.03.00](#)

**Contact:** Guillermo Perez, gperez(at)inia.org.uy

15-18 Nov 2011

**Research Priorities in Tropical Silviculture: Towards New Paradigms?**

Montpellier, France

[1.02.00](#), [8.02.00](#)

**Contact:** Plinio Sist, plinio.sist(at)cirad.fr

14-16 Jun 2011

**5th International Conference on Debris-Flow Hazards Mitigation: Mechanics, Prediction and Assessment**

Padua, Italy

[8.03.00](#)

**Contact:** Gernot Fiebiger, consultant(at)fiebiger.eu  
<http://www.geoscienze.unipd.it/5th-DFHM/>

14-18 Nov 2011

**Joining Silvicultural and Genetic Strategies to Minimize Eucalyptus Environmental Stress: From Research to Practice**

Porto Seguro, Bahia State, Brazil

[2.08.03](#)

**Contact:** José Leonardo de Moraes Goncalves, euciufro(at)esalq.usp.br  
<http://www.euciufro2011.com/>

27-30 Nov 2012

**11th Pacific Rim Bio-Based Composites Symposium (BIOCAMP2012)**

Shizuoka-City, Japan

[5.05.00](#)

**Contact:** Tatsuya Shibusawa, t\_shibusawa(at)ffpri.affrc.go.jp  
 Shigehiko Suzuki, Email: afssuzu(at)ipc.shizuoka.ac.jp

## Other Meetings

### International Year of Forests

Key forest related events in 2011

<http://www.un.org/en/events/iyof2011/events.shtml>



20-26 Mar 2011

**Winter School 2011: Making Values Work - Exploring Multiple Perspectives in Understanding the Valuation of Forest Ecosystems**

Freiburg, Germany

Organizers: EFICIENT-OEF, FOPER II

Summer school in Croatia in late September 2011.

[http://www.eficient.efi.int/portal/events/efi\\_winter\\_summer\\_school/](http://www.eficient.efi.int/portal/events/efi_winter_summer_school/)

3-8 Apr 2011

**Wildfires, Weather and Climate**

Vienna, Austria

Session of the European Geosciences Union, General Assembly, 2011, Natural Hazards programme

<http://meetingorganizer.copernicus.org/EGU2011/session/6665>

4-21 Apr 2011

**Green Jobs Learning Forum**

Turin Italy

Organized by the International Training Centre of the ILO

**Contact:** led(at)itcilo.org; <http://emld.itcilo.org/>

13-15 Apr 2011

**Expoforest 2011 - Feira Florestal Brasileira**

Horto Florestal Mogi Guaçu (SP), Brazil

**Contact:** contato(at)expoforest.com.br

<http://www.expoforest.com.br>

2-4 May 2011

**Statistical Issues in Forest Management**

Université Laval, Québec, Canada

[http://www.crm.umontreal.ca/Forest11/index\\_e.php](http://www.crm.umontreal.ca/Forest11/index_e.php)

14-16 June 2011

**FOREST EUROPE Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe**

Oslo, Norway

[http://www.foresteurope.org/eng/Events/Upcoming\\_Events/](http://www.foresteurope.org/eng/Events/Upcoming_Events/)

19-21 Jun 2011

**Forest Products Society 65th Convention**

Portland, Oregon, USA

<http://www.forestprod.org/ic65/>

10-16 Jul 2011

**International Educators Institute**

Portland, Oregon, USA

The World Forestry Center is organizing a forest study tour for environmental educators and forest researchers.

<http://wfi.worldforestry.org/index/international-fellowship/international-educators-institute.html>

11-15 July 2011

**Summer School on 'Participatory Forest Management as Practice and Performance'**

WUR, Wageningen, The Netherlands

**Contact:** Sailaja Nandigama, sailaja.nandigama(at)wur.nl

<http://www.wass.wur.nl/UK/courses/registration/>

15-21 Aug 2011

**15th IBFRA Conference**

Krasnoyarsk, Russia

International Boreal Forest Research Association (IBFRA)

<http://forest.akadem.ru>