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XXIV IUFRO World Congress, 5-11 Oct 2014, Salt Lake City, USA

After Gainesville in 1971, the IUFRO World Congress, which is held every 4 to 5 years in various parts of the world, will again be convened in the United States of America.

The 2014 IUFRO World Congress will meet in Salt Lake City, Utah, 5-11 October 2014, at the Salt Palace Convention Center. Salt Lake City is surrounded by the Great Salt Lake to the northwest and the steep Wasatch mountain range on the eastern borders. It was the venue for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.

The mountains around Salt Lake City contain many narrow glacial and stream carved canyons, stunning forest species, most impressive is the aspen tree with its distinctive white bark and shimmering gold leaves. The entire area will be bursting with autumn color when you arrive in October.

In addition to the events of the Congress, there will be tours of the surrounding area, and you will find plenty of things to do in your leisure time. This area is rich in western U.S. history and the geography offers an opportunity to truly experience the vast beauty of the region.

Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC) receives direct flights from many cities in Asia, Canada, Europe, and Latin America. Travel time between the airport and downtown Salt Lake City is about 10 minutes.

Regularly updated information on the XXIV IUFRO World Congress will be available at the Congress website: <http://www.iufro2014.com>



Photos from IUFRO 2014 Congress website

Key dates

Until April 2013: Session proposals accepted

July 2013: Call for abstracts

English is the official language of the Congress. Please submit all proposals for sessions and abstracts in English.

November 2013: Registration opens

Rates for the conference and other details will be posted in November. Until then, please mark your calendars for October 5-11, 2014 and begin to think about making plans to attend.

We look forward to seeing you in Salt Lake City!



21 March
International Day of Forests



Forest Organizations Invite You to Celebrate Europe's Forests

UNECE Press Release (Geneva, 22 February 2013)

<http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=32311>

2013 is a special year for forests, with many activities and initiatives underway to recognize and strengthen the important role forests play in our lives. The **21st of March will mark the first ever official International Day of Forests** and the Tree, as declared in November 2012 by the General Assembly of the United Nations. (...)

(...) following the success of the first European Forest Week (EFW), which took place in Rome, Italy, in October 2008, **a second EFW will be held on 9-13 December 2013** to further highlight the importance of forests for our environment and societies and the achievements of the forest community. This will be **in parallel to "Metsä2013"**, the joint session of the ECE Timber Committee and the FAO European Forestry Commission, to be held in **Rovaniemi, Finland**.

IUFRO is one of the supporting organizations of the second European Forest Week!

International Day of Forests (IDF):

<http://www.fao.org/forestry/international-day-of-forests/en>

IDF Video available in several languages:

<http://www.fao.org/news/audio-video/detail-video/en/?uid=9697>

Other notable speakers at the World Forest Summit include:

James Astill, Political Editor, The Economist (author of the special report on Forests)

Eduardo Rojas-Briales, Assistant Director General, FAO

Per Fredrik Ilsaas Pharo, Director, International Climate and Forest Initiative, Ministry of the Environment, Norway

Karl Falkenberg, Director General, DG Environment, European Commission

Peter Holmgren, Director General, Center for International Forestry Research

Jan Johansson, Chief Executive Officer and President, Svenska Cellulosa Aktiebolaget

GFIS Upgraded!

The *Global Forest Information Service*

at <http://www.gfis.net/> has recently undergone a number of changes to improve usability and information access. While not all the updates can be seen, you will notice a slight change to the layout and design of the homepage.

Outlined below are the changes you should know about:

Inclusion of highlighted topics which brings together information from our partners under popular and important themes. There are **more topics available** than those shown on the homepage banner.

Ability to **create custom RSS feeds** to ensure that you will stay up-to-date with the research and information you need most.

Subscription button to the **monthly GFIS newsletter** so that you can get updated with the most popular information from our partners. Optimized for mobile devices.

Website optimization so that no matter where you are in the World GFIS will load faster, giving you access to the information you desire.

Ability to harvest YouTube playlists which means that users will see a great increase in the number of forest-related videos in our **Videos section**.

These changes improve your ability to access information on GFIS. Spend some time navigating through the pages and get yourself familiarized.

5-6 Mar 2013

World Forests Summit

Achieving sustainable forest management on a global scale

Stockholm, Sweden

The World Forests Summit, organized by The Economist, will gather leading experts from around the world to identify common ground and discuss mechanisms for forest stakeholders to work together differently.

Industry leaders, government ministers, scientists and activists will meet to agree the framework for future sustainable management of a precious global resource.

The gala dinner keynote will be from Carlos Klink, Secretary for Climate Change and Environmental Quality, Ministry of Environment of Brazil.

Special rates for IUFRO members

IUFRO members can receive a special 30% discount when registering.

For further information, visit:

<http://www.economistconferences.com/forests>
quoting code IUFRO/DC when registering.

Publications

Newsletter

January 2013 newsletter of IUFRO Research Group 7.02.00 Pathology reports about recent meetings, announces upcoming activities of interest and more...
<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-7/70000/70200/newsletters/>

IUFRO 9.05.00 - Book of Abstracts

International Seminar „Assessing Forest Governance in a Context of Change“; Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina; 9-11 May 2012. Available at 9.05.00 publications page <http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-9/90000/90500/publications/>, as well in the IUFRO on-line proceedings archive, <http://www.iufro.org/publications/proceedings/proceedings-meetings-2012/#c19870>

IUFRO 6.08.00 Book of Abstracts

Gender and Forestry Conference: Environmental governance and four decades of gender research: Where do we stand?; Wondo Genet Forestry College, Ethiopia; 27-29 November 2012
Available at 6.08.00 publications page <http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-6/60000/60800/publications/>, as well as in the IUFRO on-line proceedings archive, <http://www.iufro.org/publications/proceedings/proceedings-meetings-2012/#c20237>.

Issue Brief: Biomass Carbon Neutrality

In January 2013, the WBCSD Forest Solutions Group (<http://www.wbcsd.org/home.aspx>) released a report providing a framework for understanding carbon neutrality. The *Issue Brief: Biomass Carbon Neutrality* distills and synthesizes the complexity of the debate and outlines the relevance of carbon neutrality to public policy. The report is available at:
<http://www.wbcsd.org/Pages/EDocument/EDocumentDetails.aspx?ID=15347&NoSearchContextKey=true>

Managing Forests as Complex Adaptive Systems

Building Resilience to the Challenge of Global Change
Edited by Christian Messier, Klaus J. Puettmann, and K. David Coates
Series: The Earthscan Forest Library
This book links the emerging concepts of complexity, complex adaptive system (CAS) and resilience to forest ecology and management. It explores how these concepts can be applied in various forest biomes of the world with their different ecological, economic and social settings, and history.
For list of contents and more information, see <http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415519779/>

The Gender Box

A framework for analysing gender roles in forest management
By Carol J. Pierce Colfer
CIFOR Occasional Paper 82
http://www.cifor.org/publications/pdf_files/OccPapers/OP-80.pdf

Position

Assistant professor of Landscape Architecture with special responsibilities

Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management, Faculty of Sciences, University of Copenhagen invites applications for a position as Assistant professor of Landscape Architecture with special responsibilities within nature and human health relations from 01.04.2013 or as soon as possible thereafter. The position is limited to 4 years.
For details, visit: <http://www.ku.dk/stillinger/vip/>

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>

25-30 Mar 2013

World Teak Conference

Bangkok, Thailand

IUFRO 5.06.02

Contact: P. K. Thulasidas, thulasidas(at)kfri.org
<http://www.worldteak2013.org/>

1-5 Apr 2013

1st FOREBIOM Workshop: Potentials of Biochar to mitigate climate change

Vienna, Austria

IUFRO 7.01.03

IUFRO Task Force on Forest Bioenergy

Contact: Viktor Bruckman, Viktor.Bruckman(at)oeaw.ac.at
Rolf Björheden, Rolf.Bjorheden(at)skogforsk.se
<http://www.oeaw.ac.at/forebiom/conference.htm>

7-12 Apr 2013

European Geosciences Union General Assembly 2013: Session ERE1.7 Aspects of sustainable biomass utilization for energy and industrial raw materials

Vienna, Austria

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Contact: Rolf Björheden, Rolf.Bjorheden(at)skogforsk.se
Viktor Bruckman, Viktor.Bruckman(at)oeaw.ac.at
<http://meetingorganizer.copernicus.org/EGU2013/session/11641>

7-10 May 2013

16th European Forum on Urban Forestry

Milan, Italy

IUFRO 6.07.00

Contact: Cecil Konijnendijk, cck(at)life.ku.dk
<http://www.emonfur.eu/pagina.php?sez=91&pag=554&label=EFUF+2013>

15-17 May 2013

International Symposium "Socio-economic analyses of sustainable forest management"

Prague, Czech Republic

IUFRO 4.05.00

Contact: Jean-Luc Peyron, jean-luc.peyron(at)gipecofor.org; Luděk Šišák, sisak(at)fld.cz.cz
<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-4/40000/40500/activities/>

20-25 May 2013

Biosecurity in Natural Forests, Stands and Plantations, Genomics and Biotechnology for Biosecurity in Forestry

Brno and Cerna Hora, Czech Republic

IUFRO [7.02.02](#)

Contact: Libor Jankovski, jankov(at)mendelu.cz

<http://www.iufro2013.eu/>

27-29 May 2013

Virus and Phytoplasma Diseases of Forest and Urban Trees

Berlin, Germany

IUFRO [7.02.04](#)

Within the 5th International Symposium on Plant Protection and Plant Health in Europe

Contact: Carmen Büttner, carmen.buettner(at)agrar.hu-berlin.de

<http://dpg.phytomedizin.org/de/plant-protection-and-plant-health-in-europe/>

2-5 Jun 2013

Forest Operations in Mountainous Conditions

Honne (Lillehammer), Norway

IUFRO [3.06.00](#)

Contact: Raffaele Cavalli, raffaele.cavalli(at)unipd.it

Bruce Talbot, bta(at)skogoglandskap.no

http://seminar.skogkurs.no/iufro_2013/index.cfm

12-15 Jun 2013

IUFROLAT 2013

Tercer Congreso

Latinoamericano de IUFRO

Third IUFRO Latin American Congress

San José, Costa Rica

Congress homepage:

<http://web.catie.ac.cr/iufrolat/>



19-21 Jun 2013

Interdisciplinary Workshop: Perspectives on Forest Conservation – tackling the frontier between policy and conservation science

Freiburg, Germany

IUFRO [9.05.07](#)

Contact: Georg Winkel, Georg.Winkel(at)ifp.uni-freiburg.de

<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-9/90000/90500/90507/activities/>

7-10 Jul 2013

2013 Council on Forest Engineering Annual Meeting

Missoula, Montana, USA

IUFRO [3.00.00](#)

Contact: Beth Dodson, elizabeth.dodson(at)umontana.edu

<http://www.umt.edu/ce/cps/forestengineering/default.aspx>

5 Aug 2013

Roundtable: Advances in joint management of grazing ungulates and forest ecosystems

Minneapolis, United States

IUFRO [1.01.02](#)

Contact: Thomas P. Rooney, Thomas.rooney(at)wright.edu

<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-1/10000/10100/10112/activities/>

19-21 Aug 2013

15th Symposium for Systems Analysis in Forest Resources

Quebec City, Canada

IUFRO [3.04.00](#)

Contact: Marc-André Carle, info(at)ssafr2013.com

<http://www.ssafr2013.com/>

1-4 Oct 2013

7th Workshop: Measurement methods and Modelling approaches for predicting desirable future Wood properties

Nancy, France

IUFRO [5.01.04](#)

Contact: Jean-Michel Leban, leban(at)nancy.inra.fr

<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-5/50000/50100/50104/activities/>

7-9 Oct 2013

Forest Biomass Conference 2013

Dobiegniew, Pomerania Region, Poland

IUFRO [4.02.05](#)

Contact: Tomasz Zawila-Niedwiecki, tzawila(at)ibles.waw.pl

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<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-4/40000/40200/40205/activities/>

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17-21 Mar 2013

Third Mediterranean Forest Week

Tlemcen, Algeria

<http://www.iii-med.forestweek.org/>

2-5 Apr 2013

Regional Workshop on the Inter-Linkages between Human Health and Biodiversity in Africa

Maputo, Mozambique

WHO and CBD

Contact: Marina Maiero, maierom(at)who.int

8-19 April 2013

Tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF 10)

Istanbul, Turkey

<http://www.un.org/esa/forests/>

25-27 Apr 2013

3rd Annual Congress of Bioenergy

Nanjing, China

<http://www.bitlifesciences.com/wcbe2013/default.asp>

13-15 May 2013

International Conference on Forests for Food Security and Nutrition

Rome, Italy

<http://www.fao.org/forestry/food-security/en/>

10-12 Jun 2013

Baltic Sea Region Conference: Interdisciplinary Research for Higher Socioeconomic Value of Forests

Riga and Salaspils, Latvia

Latvian State Forest Research Institute "Silava" and other research organizations in the Baltic Sea region

<http://www.bsrlatvia2013.com/p/welcome.html>

18-20 Jun 2013

International Symposium on Global Change Research 2013: Coupled Natural & Human Systems

Nanjing, P.R. China

<http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/#c12666>