

# EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN FORESTRY: CHANGING THE IMAGE OF FORESTRY

24th and 25th October 2024, Portorož, Slovenia

Agenda, 24.10.2024

08:00-09:00 - Arrival of participants and registration

09:00-09:30 - Welcome speeches

- Eva Knez, State Secretary at the Ministry for agriculture, forestry and food of RS
- Gregor Danev, Director of Slovenia Forest Service
- Dagmar Karisch-Gierer, Chairwoman of WOFO International
- Nike Krajnc, Director of Slovenian Forestry Institute and Fem2forests Project Manager

09:30-09:50 - Rooted in Diversity: Women Changing and Shaping the Future of Science (Zarja Mušič)

### 09:50-11:15 - SESSION 1: WORKFORCE OF TOMORROW - A GENDER PERSPECTIVE

- Why not forestry? Comparative analysis of barriers and needs for inclusion of girls and young women in forestry (Mateja Karničnik)
- How a Massive Open Online Course ForGEDI can address students' motivations, hesitancies, and obstacles in forestry-related sectors (Todora Rogelja)
- EDUCATION BASED ON EQUALITY— an example from adult education (Nevenka Bogataj)

11:15-11:45 - Coffee break

### THE MAIN AIMS OF THE CONFERENCE ARE

- empower women in forestry
- strengthen international networking among women
- look for innovative ways and opportunities to involve young women in the forestry sector





# 11:45-12:45 - SESSION 2: EDUCATION BASED ON EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN FORESTRY

- The future of women's employment in peripheral industrial regions (Jani Kozina)
- Uneven ground: navigating gender and diversity in the forestry sector (Barbara Öllerer)
- The FOPER project as a driver of the regional network in research and education in forest policy and economics (Mersudin Avdibegović)

# 12:45-13:45 - SESSION 3: CHANGING THE IMAGE OF FORESTRY BY THE INCLUSION OF WOMEN

- Rooted inequalities in Forest Education. Insights from a students' perspective (Nikolina Mencin)
- Beyond Stereotypes: The Evolving Role of Women in Forestry (Marija Jakopin)
- EMBOSCADES. Dones i bosc (Women of the Forest): Creating new spaces and values through women's perspectives in the forestry sector in Catalonia (Michel Curel and Francesca Famadas)

#### 13:45-15:15 - Lunch break

# 15:15-16:30 - SESSION 4: NETWORKING OF WOMEN AS A KEY TO CHANGE IN FORESTRY

- The German Women in Forestry association: a success story (Birgit Homann and Christiane Lorenz-Laubner)
- I can a campaign of women foresters in Mongolia (Khishigjargal Mookhorand Delgerjargal Dugarjav)
- Opening of umbrella WOFO- (Dagmar Karisch-Gierer, Iza Pigan and Ragnhildur Freysteinsdóttir, WOFO International)

### 16:30-17:15 - PANEL DISCUSSION: COOPERATION IS THE KEY FOR SUCCESS

- Alina Chifan (Egger Enterprise, Romania)
- Ragnhildur Freysteinsdóttir (Icelandic Forestry Association)
- Iza Pigan (Polish association of women in forestry)
- Delgerjargal Dugarjav (NGO 'Forest, sustainability and Women, Mongolia)
- Alenka Verbole, (Slovenian Women's lobby)
- Alexandra Sieber (Technical Forestry High School in Bruck/Mur, Austria)





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## FIELD TRIP - 25.10.2024

8:45-9:00 Gathering of participants

9:00 Buss departures from Portorož

10:30 Arrival to Cerje - Monument of Peace and Observation Tower

10:30-13:00 Visiting the site and discussion about post fire restoration of

Karst region - Slovenian forest service\_ regional unit Sežana

13:00-14:00 Lunch at a local touristic farm

14:00-16:00 Visiting forests at Karst region

18:00 Return to Portorož

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### **LOCATION**

Kongresni center Hotel Slovenija, Obala 33, 6320 Portorož, Slovenija

### **CONFERENCE LANGUAGE**

The conference will be held in English. There will be no simultaneous translation.

## COSTS

There is no conference fee, but participants have to manage their bookings and cover the costs of traveling and accommodation.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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# Registration is open till 10th October 2024

Number of places is limited.

FOR REGISTRATION CLICK HERE

The conference is organised by the Fem2forests project and International umbrella organisation WOFO International.