

Special Programme for Development of Capacities



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Our mission

Established in 1983, IUFRO's Special Programme for Development of Capacities (IUFRO-SPDC) seeks to expand and foster forest research capacity in economically disadvantaged countries.

Priority Areas

Our activities focus on:

- enhancing core scientific competence
- improving information management and dissemination
- enhancing the contribution of science to policy and practice
- promoting thematic networking and multi-stakeholder learning processes



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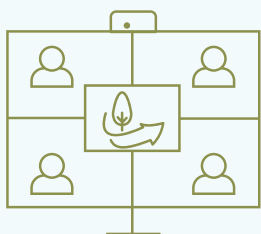
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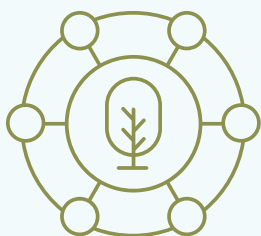
Mobility

The Scientist Assistance Programme (SAP) supports early- and mid-career scientists from economically disadvantaged countries with sponsorship to participate in IUFRO events. It also supports young scientists with grants for Scientific Visits (SV) to forest research organisations abroad.



Workshops

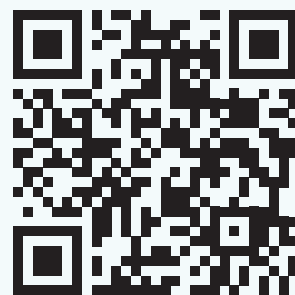
SPDC offers interactive trainings designed to strengthen research institutions by equipping scientists with expertise in scientific methods, research management, and science-society interactions.



Thematic Networking

SPDC promotes collaboration among scientists and enables knowledge exchange worldwide, ultimately fostering mutual learning to enhance the role of science in forest policy and practice.

Find out more at
<https://www.iufro.org/programme/spdc/>
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The **International Union of Forest Research Organizations, IUFRO**, is an independent, non-profit, open and unique scientific network that promotes a sustainable future for forests and society, and fosters global collaboration for people and organizations with a research interest in and a focus on everything related to forests, trees and forest products.

VISION

IUFRO is to be the global voice of forest science promoting a sustainable future of forests and society.

MISSION

IUFRO advances research excellence and knowledge sharing, and fosters development of science-based solutions to forest-related challenges for the benefit of forests and people worldwide.

