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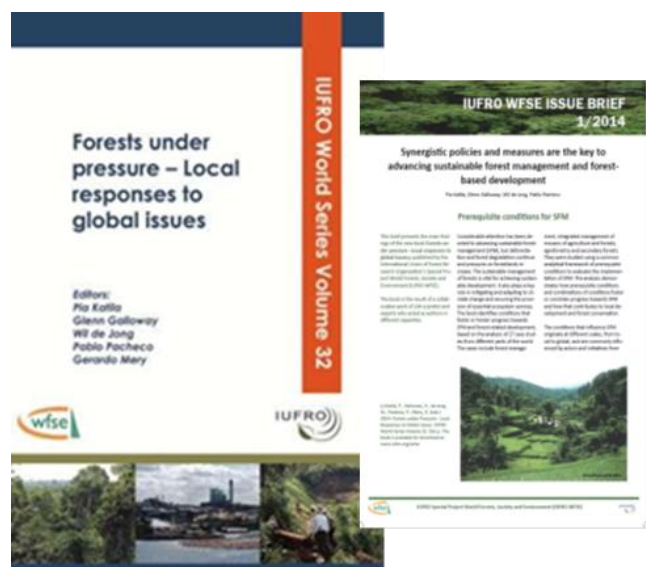
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This is the **Newsletter of IUFRO's Special Project World Forests, Society and Environment (IUFRO WFSE)**. It is meant for sharing the latest news and information about the special project's current activities with IUFRO officeholders, member organizations, WFSE partners, donors and the members of the WFSE-network from research organizations and universities around the world.

News

Forests under pressure –
Local responses to global issues

This new WFSE book and the related Issue Brief will be launched at the WFSE Technical Session in the IUFRO World Congress in October 2014 in Salt Lake City, USA. The book is the result of a collaborative work of over 140 scientist and experts who acted as authors in different capacities and over 60 reviewers.



Building on 27 case studies from different parts of the world the book focuses on conditions that foster or hinder progress towards sustainable forest management (SFM) and forest-related development. The case

studies use a common analytical framework of prerequisite conditions to examine the implementation of SFM. The analysis allows distinguishing prerequisite conditions and combinations of conditions that foster or constrain progress towards SFM and sustainable local development, and the interactions among these conditions.

The book includes four parts:

- I Introduction
- II Case Studies
- III Prerequisite conditions for SFM: Findings from the case study analyses
- IV Possible future pathways

The Issue Brief presents the main findings of the book and recommendations for the way forward in a concise format.

The book and the related Issue Brief will be available at the IUFRO WFSE web page after 1st of October:

<http://www.iufro.org/wfse>.

WFSE Technical Session in the IUFRO World Congress

In the IUFRO World Congress in Salt Lake City October 2014, WFSE organises the Technical Session **Forest under pressure: Prerequisite conditions for forest-related sustainable development**. The session will introduce the new WFSE book *Forests under pressure – Local responses to global issues* and the Issue Brief *Synergistic policies and measures are the key to advancing sustainable forest management and forest-based development*. The session includes seven presentations: an introduction to the book, four case study presentations and two presentations that focus on the main findings of the book.

Time: Friday 10 October 8:00-10:30

Room: 250B

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Program:

- Introduction to the WFSE-project and the new book *Forests under Pressure - Local Responses to Global Issues* – Pia Katila
- Community-Based Forest Management in Quintana Roo, Mexico – Jose Antonio Sierra Huelsz
- Forest Citizenship in Acre, Brazil – Marianne Schmink
- Khasi Responses to Forest Pressures: A Community REDD+ Project from Northeast India – Mark Poffenberger
- Community rights and participation in the face of new global interests in forests and lands – the case of Mozambique – Almeida Siteo
- Prerequisite Conditions for Sustainable Forest Management: Synthesis of the Case Studies – Glenn Galloway
- Forests under pressure: Possible Future Pathways – Wil de Jong
- Discussion

Moderator: Glenn Galloway

Metla will be merged into the new Natural Resources Institute Finland

The coordination of the IUFRO WFSE project has throughout the project's existence been in the Finnish Forest Research Institute (Metla). As of 1 January 2015 Metla, MTT Agrifood Research Finland, the Finnish Game and Fisheries Research Institute (RKTL) and the statistical services of the Information Centre of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (Tike) will be merged under a new entity called Natural Resources Institute Finland. The coordination of the project will continue in the new institution.

Meetings

WFSE Steering Committee (SC) meeting was organised in Cirad, Montpellier, France, 14 February 2014.

Glenn Galloway, Chair of the WFSE SC (University of Florida) chaired the meeting that focused on the current and future activities of the project. The other SC members present were Pablo Pacheco (CIFOR), Jari Varjo (Metla), Alexander Buck (IUFRO), Pia Katila (WFSE coordinator/Metla), Jobst Schroeder (von Thünen Institute), Gerardo Mery (WFSE/Metla), Cesar Sabogal (FAO), Wil de Jong (Kyoto University), Edgard Maravi (CATIE) and Plinio Sist (CIRAD).



Participants of the WFSE SC meeting in Montpellier.

Editorial meeting in Montpellier. The editors of the new book met in CIRAD, Montpellier for three days in February 2014 to discuss and work on the finalisation of the different parts of the book.

Coming events

The **next Steering Committee meeting** will be held 10 October 2014 in Salt Lake City, USA in connection with the IUFRO World Congress.

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