

Headline: Joint IUFRO 7.02.02 "Foliage, shoot and stem diseases of forest trees" and 7.03.04 "Diseases and insects in forest nurseries" Working Parties Meeting, Uppsala, Sweden

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Summary statement:

In the joint 7.02.02 & 7.03.04 WPs meeting it was discussed the current situation of both traditional and new pathogens and diseases which threaten forest stands and nurseries worldwide. New strategies to avoid their spread were mainly discussed in the sessions concerning globalization and invasive species.

Main Body:

The **joint IUFRO 7.02.02 "Foliage, shoot and stem diseases of forest trees" and 7.03.04 "Diseases and insects in forest nurseries" Working Parties Meeting, Uppsala, Sweden**, the biannual meeting of the IUFRO workshop group 7.02.02 (*Foliage, shoot and stem diseases of forest trees*) & 7.03.04 (*Diseases and insects in forest nurseries*) has taken place in Uppsala (Sweden) during 7-12th June 2015. The meeting had 76 participants belonging to 22 different countries, and a total of 85 communications were presented. The workshop gave the chance of discussing different aspects related to global change and forest pathology (mainly concerning to globalization, climate change, and forest policies). The meeting took place in the Loftet hall at the campus of The Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), which is situated 7 km south of Uppsala center in the Ultuna area. This peaceful place, surrounded by the typical Swedish landscape, offered the perfect atmosphere to perform the meeting, and a unique opportunity to enjoy such a place.

The workshop provided an opportunity for the presentation, exchange and dissemination of information and experiences related to forest pathology (new disease reports, fungal phylogeny, pathogenicity assays, control strategies...) as well as presenting relevant methods and techniques for use in forest ecosystems and in forest nurseries. The meeting attracted forest pathologists from a broad range of academic backgrounds, which let to fruitful discussions on different aspects of forest pathology and disease management.

Meeting web page:

<http://www.slu.se/iufro2015>