

Congress Newsletter 02/2016

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1) Confirmed keynotes







R. Chazdon



H. Kraigher



W. Kurz



W. Steffen

We are delighted to announce the five speakers for the keynote plenary sessions, embracing different facets of modern, interdisciplinary forest research:

Prof. Dr. Arun Agrawal (University of Michigan) - politics of international development, institutional change, and environmental conservation

Prof. Dr. Robin Chazdon (University of Connecticut) - regeneration and restoration of tropical forests in human-modified land-scapes

Prof. Dr. Hojka Kraigher (Slovenian Forestry Institute) - physiology and ecology of forest trees and mycorrhiza, conservation of forest genetic resources

Dr. Werner Kurz (Canadian Forest Service, Natural Resources Canada) - carbon dynamics in forests and harvested wood products, change mitigation in the forest sector

Prof. Dr. Will Steffen (Stockholm Resilience Centre) - Climate and Earth System science, incorporation of human processes in Earth System modelling and analysis, sustainability and climate change

Find out more about the keynotes at: iufro2017.com/keynote-speakers/

Thanks to all speakers for their enthusiasm in joining us at the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress 2017!

Key dates

- 4 April 2016

 Call for Session Proposals
- 15 June 2016

 Deadline Call for

 Session Proposals
- 16 September 2016
 Call for Abstracts
- 30 November 2016
 Deadline Call for Abstracts
- March 2017
 Start Registration
- June 2017
 Deadline Early Registration
- 19—22 September 2017
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2) Summary of Call for Sessions

The response to the Call for Session Proposals was overwhelming! We received more than 200 proposals from 42 countries around the globe.

The Congress Scientific Committee was busy around the clock reviewing all proposals. We are happy to accept the vast majority of proposed sessions, thus offering 176 scientific sessions during the congress.

Find out more about topics and tentative schedule of the sessions soon at:

iufro2017.com/tentative-congress-schedule/



Where the proposals came from: impressive!

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3) Call for Abstracts opens

The next important date is approaching: the Call for Abstracts opens **Thursday**, **16 September 2016!**

Abstracts can be submitted through our website by **30 of November 2016**. Authors will receive a notice of acceptance after the review process.

Authors submitting abstracts are asked to assign their submission to an appropriate session

and state preferred form of presentation (poster or oral presentation).

Abstracts must be submitted **online through the congress website!** Submissions via email or other means cannot be considered.

Further details can be found here:

iufro2017.com/call-for-abstracts/

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4) Scientist Assistance Program

Forestry and forests are an important resource in all parts of the world, supporting development, creating income and improving local security.

Engaged local scientists are the key to the development of strategies for sustainable utilization and conservation for their home countries.

The German Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL) has dedicated funding through the **Scientist Assistance Program (SAP)** to support the participation of early and mid-career scientists from economically disadvantaged countries at the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress.

Find out whether you are eligible here:

http://iufro2017.com/sap/



5) Sponsorship and support opportunities

We thank all of our current supporters and donors! They enable us to organize a fascinating congress program in ideal surroundings.

Our supporters are:

- Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL), Germany
- Ministry of Rural Affairs and Consumer Protection Baden-Württemberg (MLR), Germany
- State Forest Service Baden-Württemberg (ForstBW), Germany
- Forest Research Institute Baden-Württemberg (FVA), Germany
- Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry,
 Environment and Water Management
 (BMLUFW), Austria
- Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN),
 Switzerland
- Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research (WSL), Switzerland
- Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH), Switzerland
- Eva Mayr-Stihl Foundation, Germany



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The next issue of this newsletter will be sent in December 2016. There we will inform you about:

- Detailed program
- First information about Call for Abstracts
- The Congress Venue: Freiburg and surrounding
- ... and more!

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