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To: Members of the **INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL (IC)**
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INTERNATIONAL FORESTRY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION (IFSA)

From: **IUFRO President**

6 March 2017

Subject: **INVITATION TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES for IUFRO AWARDS to be presented at the IUFRO World Congress 2019 in Curitiba, Brazil**

Dear Colleagues,

The XXV IUFRO World Congress to be held from 29 September to 5 October 2019 in Curitiba, Brazil, provides us with another opportunity to honour outstanding scientific achievements and contributions to forestry with a range of IUFRO Awards. I am pleased to invite and encourage you to nominate suitable candidates for the various categories of awards as listed below. The deadline for submission of nominations will be **31st August 2018**.

SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (SAA)

Up to 10 awards will be given in recognition of distinguished individual scientific achievements within the fields of research covered by IUFRO.

Nominations may be made by a member of the nominee's parent organization, by Coordinators of Divisions, Research Groups, Working Parties and Task Forces, and by other officeholders and knowledgeable persons associated with the Union (but no self-nominations). Nominees must either belong to Member Organizations or be Individual Members of IUFRO.

OUTSTANDING DOCTORAL RESEARCH AWARD (ODRA)

One award per IUFRO Division will be given to recognize outstanding individual scientific achievements among young Doctoral researchers within six years after the dissertation and to encourage further work within the fields of research covered by IUFRO.

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IUFRO STUDENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FOREST SCIENCE (ISA)

This award recognizes outstanding individual achievements in forest science made by Masters degree students (or equivalent) during university studies or within 3 years after graduation within the 5-year Congress period, in order to encourage their further work within the fields of research covered by IUFRO.

Up to three awards may be presented for work related to the main theme and sub-themes of the IUFRO World Congress. Nominations can be made through IUFRO Members and through the International Forestry Students' Association (IFSA) via the IFSA Secretariat/Liaison Officer.

For all three categories, the Award shall consist of **a certificate, the most economical cost of (air) travel/subsidized travel to attend the World Congress, and waiver of the Congress registration fee.** The **SAA** will be presented at the **opening or closing ceremony** of the World Congress. For the **ODRA and ISA**, the awards will be presented in a **special session** where awardees are given the opportunity to present highlights of their award winning work. All award winners will be announced in a special issue of IUFRO News and in other media.

In addition to these awards, the Congress 2019 will offer:

Best Poster Award (BPA)

To encourage public dissemination of high quality research and to recognize distinguished poster presentations during the IUFRO World Congress by young scientists under 35 years of age at the time of the IUFRO World Congress. Poster presentations will be judged directly at the IUFRO World Congress.

IUFRO World Congress Host Scientific Award

This award honours a truly outstanding scientist from the Congress host country who has elevated the profile of forest science and research.

For more information and nomination forms, please check the website:

<http://www.iufro.org/discover/awards/>

Please SEND YOUR NOMINATIONS to the Executive Director of IUFRO (Mr. **Alexander Buck** at: office@iufro.org) with a copy to the Chair of the IUFRO Honours & Awards Committee (**Professor John Innes** at john.innes@ubc.ca) before **31st August 2018**.

I am looking forward to your response and expect a great number of excellent candidates to this call for nominations for awards to be presented at the IUFRO World Congress 2019.

With best regards and thank you for your ongoing support of IUFRO,

Professor Mike Wingfield
President of IUFRO