Two more interviews with scientific keynote speakers:

Earth: a single, complex and rapidly changing system

Read an interview with Dr. Will Steffen, The Australian National University and the Stockholm Resilience Centre, on *The Earth System, the Anthropocene and the world's forests*:

http://blog.iufro.org/2017/09/19/earth-a-single-complex-and-rapidly-changing-system/

Hidden biodiversity key to healthy future forests

Read an interview with Dr. Hojka Kraigher, Slovenian Forestry Institute, on forest dynamics and the important role of biodiversity: http://blog.iufro.org/2017/09/19/hidden-biodiversity-key-to-healthy-future-forests/

Two successful IUFRO-SPDC pre-Congress training programs:

Communicating Forest Science - Pre-Congress workshop develops skills and fosters friendships across disciplines and geography. Find out more:

http://blog.iufro.org/2017/09/18/communicating-forest-science-pre-congress-workshop-develops-skills-and-fosters-friendships-across-disciplines-and-geography/

IUFRO-SPDC training program on "Science-Society Interactions in Support of Forest Landscape Restoration Implementation. Read on here: http://blog.iufro.org/2017/09/18/iufro-spdc-training-program-on-science-society-interactions-in-support-of-forest-landscape-restoration-implementation/



Pre-Congress training group at Freiburg University, Herderbau



"Forest Landscape Restoration" training course participants

Don't miss the sub-plenary sessions on Wednesday!

Communicating with Einstein - about forest facts, feelings and fake news

UNECE-FAO Forest Communicators Network (FCN), IUFRO

Where: Rolf Böhme Saal (Konzerthaus Freiburg)

When: 20 Sep 2017, 13:30-15:00

http://sepla.intercongress.de/vRZ52I2R~elacFo-BGdmWW/\$/

Innovative forest assessment and sustainable management in a changing world

IUFRO Division 4, Forest Assessment, Modelling and Management

Where: KG II - Auditorium Maximum (Uni Freiburg)

When: 20 Sep 2017, 13:30 - 15:00

http://sepla.intercongress.de/Mc7ZpzyFbeQWR1pEFq~GAq/\$/

Explaining IUFRO - "Interconnecting Forests, Science and People"

Watch this short video that explains in a simple and digestible manner what IUFRO is and what it does and why the slogan of "Interconnecting forests, science and people" shall from now on be the IUFRO brand and become an important legacy of this 125th Anniversary Congress: https://youtu.be/mBYEyzuJmsQ
You will also find it on the IUFRO homepage: http://www.iufro.org/

The video was presented during the Opening Ceremony of the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress today.



Welcome to Freiburg!



Musical welcome to Congress participants in front of the Konzerthaus!



Congress Organizing Committee Chair Prof. Konstantin von Teuffel with COC member Helen Desmond



Acoustic Instinct beat boxing during the Opening Ceremony and the "Science Meets Policy" Dialogue



IUFRO President Mike Wingfield at the "Science meets Business" dialogue



IFSA President Salina Abraham at the "Science meets Stakeholders" dialogue