



International Conference

Adaptation of Forests and Forest Management to Changing Climate with Emphasis on Forest Health: A Review of Science, Policies, and Practices

Umeå, Sweden; August 25-28, 2008

Third Announcement and Second Call for Abstracts

www.forestadaptation2008.net



Conference overview: Global problems require a global perspective. Scientists, forest managers and policy makers from around the world will be gathering in Umeå this August to share knowledge about impacts of changes in climatic conditions on forests, and on the implications of these changes for forest health, management and conservation. Presentations and discussions will emphasise research, policies and practices needed to plan for and manage healthy, productive forests to meet future societal needs in the context of climate change.

Information about keynote speakers, topics covered by the conference, and the voluntary sessions presently being organised to cover some of these topics are available on the conference web site. The conference official language will be English.

Conference outputs: In addition to the collation of a book of abstracts, the conference offers participants the possibility to contribute to a special issue of an international forest science journal, as well as to an international applied forestry journal. A conference report containing salient points will also be produced with the ultimate goal of helping to raise awareness of forest issues within the next UNFCCC – COP meetings.

Call for abstracts: Abstracts of presentations will be accepted until the **May 31st submission deadline**. All submissions must follow the abstract preparation guidelines (see conference web site). Abstracts will be reviewed before final acceptance. Abstracts must be submitted to "forest-adaptation-2008-abstracts@fao.org".

Pre-conference workshop and developing country support: IUFRO is sponsoring a pre-conference training workshop for a limited number of early and mid-career scientists from developing countries involved in forest and tree-related research (see conference web page for details). Active participation in the 2008 Adaptation Conference is a pre-requisite for an invitation to attend the workshop.

Post-conference tour: On the day following the conference, participants can take part in field tours offered for an additional fee by the local organising committee. Post-conference tours, costs and contact persons are listed on the conference web site.

Conference venue and registration: The conference will be held at the Umeå Folkets Hus. Details on lodging as well as the registration form are accessible from the conference web site. **Early-registration rates end on June 1.**

Welcome to our Conference!

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