



**Research priorities in tropical silviculture:
towards new paradigms?
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After more than 50 years of tropical silviculture research carried out in the major forested regions of the world, and in the framework of the International Year of Forests, Cirad, CIFOR and Ecofor are organizing an international conference under the auspices of IUFRO. The main objective of the conference is to define research priorities in forest ecology and silviculture for better conservation of tropical forests in the context of global policy instruments such as REDD and other investment funds for mitigating climate change.

The conference will include 2 **plenary sessions** on days 1 and 2 and **parallel sessions (Symposia)** of two hours on day 3 to debate specific themes. Participants are encouraged to submit abstract to plenary and/or parallel sessions. **Participants are encouraged to submit abstract to plenary and/or parallel sessions.**

Plenary sessions will include 36 oral presentations on the following themes: Silviculture of Timber, Non Timber forest Products and other forest uses, Ecological Impacts, Impact on Carbon Dynamics, social and Economic Impacts. Parallel sessions will debate the following issues: (1) Modeling forest dynamics, (2) Tools for forest management and inventory, (3) Silviculture for multiple-use forest management, (4) including timbers, NTFP, PES, (5) Silviculture of logged over and secondary forests, (6) Managing tropical production and secondary forests for biodiversity values and (7) Silvicultural management of secondary forests.

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