

Second Circular: Conference Reminder

MAIN OBJECTIVES

Reforestation projects meet many challenges: biological, environmental and organizational. New forests that are established today face challenges both in the next few decades and in the years extending into the next century. Only a well-adapted forest seedling can provide the starting point for long-term reforestation success. Seedling quality, planting design and site preparation all play a decisive role in survival and growth as the new forest becomes established.

The International Conference on Reforestation Challenges is an opportunity for scientists to gather to present results and relate experiences from research areas relevant to reforestation. Top researchers from Europe and North America have been designated as invited speakers. Conference objectives are to provide an opportunity for dynamic and ongoing cooperation between researchers, and to present results of the conference in a thematic publication covering all aspects of the reforestation process. The conference presentations should fill the gaps in knowledge regarding successes and failures in reforestation practices. Overall, the Conference will highlight challenges of reforestation and provide some solutions, while contributing to interactions between researchers and practitioners. All researchers, and particularly young ones, will get additional support and opportunity to exchange information and to build their research network and collaborative abilities.

INVITED PLENARY SPEAKERS

Steven Grossnickle, NurseryToForest Solutions (CANADA)

Anders Mattsson, Dalarna University (SWEDEN)

Pedro Villar-Salvador, Department of Life Sciences, Universidad de Alcalá, Madrid (SPAIN)

Kasten Dumroese, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (USA)

TOPICS

- ✓ Country report
- ✓ Stocktypes
- ✓ Seedling quality
- ✓ Monitoring reforestation successes
- ✓ Plantations
- ✓ Breeding for resistance (drought, insects, disease)
- ✓ Species, intra-species and seed source selection
- ✓ Reasons for reforestation failure
- ✓ Planting and after planting protection
- ✓ Handling Issue (from lifting to planting)
- ✓ Site factors effects on planting stress and establishment
- ✓ Competition – Site preparation and vegetation management
- ✓ Planning and management of afforestation and reforestation programs

The Conference is sponsored by following **IUFRO** Divisions and Units:

1.01.03 - Temperate Forest Regeneration

2.00.00 - Physiology and Genetics

3.02.00 - Stand Establishment and Treatment

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Steven Grossnickle, CANADA

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OTHER DETAILS

Contributions on any aspect of reforestation programs are welcomed.

All presentations will be held in ENGLISH.

Authors willing to contribute with an ORAL PRESENTATION or a POSTER must send an ABSTRACT written on English, up to 300 words, with title, authors and affiliations before **15 March 2015**. The Abstracts will be refereed by Scientific Committee and style of presentation (oral or poster) will be assigned by the relevance of topic and authors' preferences. Presentation is not compulsory for participation. Accepted Abstracts will be published in a **BOOK OF ABSTRACTS** prior to Conference. Accepted papers will be published in a **PROCEEDINGS**. A group of selected papers will be published in a **THEMATIC MONOGRAPH**.

The participation of early career scholars and postgraduate researchers is welcomed and encouraged.

An International Scientific Committee and a Regional Organizing Committee have been established to aid with organization and insure the involvement and participation of the world-wide reforestation community.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Opening Reception, Wednesday, June 3, 20:00

Open to all conference attendees (no special ticket required)
Opening reception is an opportunity to meet with colleagues and friends.

Closing Event, Friday, June 5, 20:00

Open to all conference attendees (no special ticket required)
Closing event is an opportunity to relax and reflect on the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline for Abstracts submissions	15 March 2015
Deadline for Full Papers submissions	15 April 2015
Deadline for early registration	15 March 2015
Deadline for registration	15 April 2015

REGISTRATION FEES (EUR)

	Regular	Students*	Field trip
Early registration	100	50	50
Late registration	150	75	50

*students must provide a statement of appropriate institution.

FIELD TRIP

Voluntary field trip will take place after the conference, on Saturday, June 6, with an overnight in the **Research and Education Base on the mountain Goč**. On Sunday, June 7, participants will visit **National Seed Center and nursery in Požega**. Return to Belgrade is expected in the afternoon hours.

CONTACTS

Registration

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