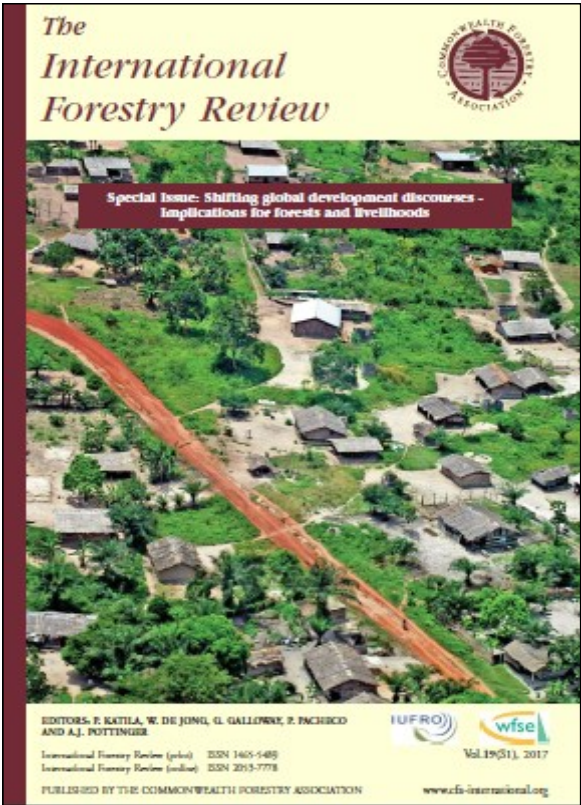


NEWS

Shifting global development discourses — implications for forests and livelihoods



This Special Issue of the International Forestry Review brings together 12 papers and an Editorial. It focuses on forest development discourses while taking into consideration broader development, climate change and conservation discourses. The papers place special attention on the drivers that lead to the emergence of the forest discourses and how they are reflected in forest policy, administration, management and forest development support.

The Special Issue aims to bring together two main ideas. Firstly, it explores dynamic, conceptual underpinnings of forest development and how these play out in different contexts. By forest development, we refer to options or opportunities to undertake forest management to achieve both broad and narrower societal goals. Secondly, the papers in this Special Issue look at the dynamics of forest development from a discourse perspective.

The Special Issue confirms that forest development discourses are diverse, changing, and allow for the exploration of new options and opportunities for forest development initiatives. Each of the forest development discourses have clear linkages with major societal and environmental issues and thus with higher level meta- or even macro-discourses. The papers provide rich insights into current forest development thinking, and also into how this thinking is transmitted and shared. The papers also offer some glimpses into how contemporary forest development discourses influence what multiple actors do to regulate, administer and implement forest development.

The Special Issue is available at:
<http://www.ingentaconnect.com/content/cfa/ifr/2017/00000019/a00101s1;jsessionid=15palhg7ydfpo.x-ic-live-01>

Forests for sustainable development–Shifting discourses and approaches

WFSE Session at the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress; Freiburg, Germany, 22 September 2017.

The irrefutable role of forests and forestry in sustainable development was reinstated by the global sustainable development goals and the global climate agreement decided upon in 2015. To harness the potential of forests and forest-based activities to sustainable development requires critical analyses of the current forest-related discourses and development approaches. The WFSE session discussed from different perspectives some of the important approaches, policies and measures to advance sustainable forest management and forest-related development. It demonstrated how they are understood and applied in differ-

ent contexts. The session further discussed the need for effective linkages between processes within the forest sector and with other sectors and emphasized the need for the forest sector process and approaches to evolve to meet the global development and climate goals.

The presentations are for a large part based on the WFSE Special Issue in the International Forestry Review Shifting global development discourses: Implications for forests and livelihoods.

Programme of the WFSE session:

Forests for Sustainable Development: A process approach to forest sector contributions to the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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REDD+ politics in the media: A case study from Vietnam -
Pham Thu Thuy

Exploring Illegal logging narratives across the globe - Georg
Winkel

Forestry development priorities in Finnish national forest pro-
grammes - Pia Katila

Shifting global development discourses: Implications for forest-
related development? - Glenn Galloway

The presentations are available at:
<https://www.iufro.org/science/special/wfse/wfse-news/#c26959>

WFSE Steering Committee meeting was held in connection with the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress in 19 September 2017 in Freiburg.

CURRENT FOCUS

Potential impacts of the Sustainable Development Goals on forests and the goods and services they provide

WFSE has initiated a comprehensive assessment of potential and anticipated impacts of efforts towards attaining the different SDGs on forests and forest-related livelihoods and development.

The interdisciplinary assessment focuses on forest-related ecological, social and economic impacts of the SDGs. It places special attention on interactions among the goals and their impacts on forests, forests use and forest-related livelihoods and policies and governance. In other words, the analysis will explore the synergies and trade-offs between the SDGs from the point of view of how they impact forest-related development in different contexts.

The first seminar and workshop for the convening lead authors and the editors of the report will be held in March 2018. The report and the related policy brief will be published in 2019.

The development of this publication is based on the collaboration and contributions of a large group of internationally recognized scientist and experts. The Convening Lead Authors (CLAs) of the chapters that analyze the potential and likely impacts of the efforts towards the different SDGs are: Erin Sills, North Carolina State University; Terry Sunderland, University of British Columbia; Colin Butler, University of Canberra; Peter Kanowski, Australian National University; Seema Arora-Jonsson, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences; Jaime Amezcaga, Newcastle University; James Bathurst, Newcastle University; Pamela Jagger, University of North Carolina; Dietmar Stoian, Bioversity International; Robert A Kozak, University of British Columbia; Bimbika Basnett, CIFOR; Cecil C. Konijnendijk, University of British Columbia; Patrick M. Schroeder, Institute of Development Studies; Bastiaan Louman, CATIE; Dan Fries, National University of Singapore; Jeff Sayer, James Cook University; Douglas Sheil, Norwegian University of Life Sciences; Glenn Galloway, University of Florida; Con-

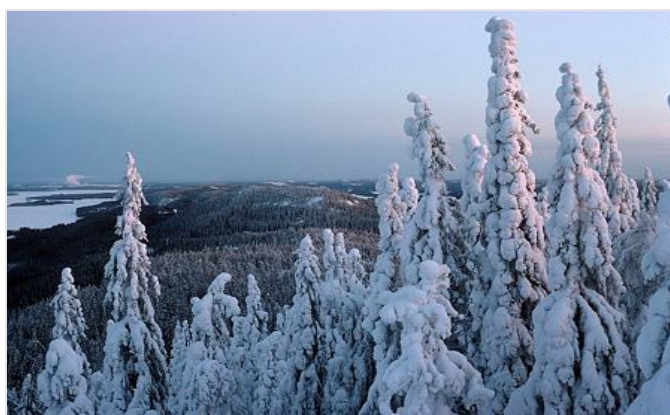


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*Thank you for your valuable support to WFSE during the
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collaboration in 2018.*

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