

***International Conference***  
***Forest certification and protection from illegal logging –***  
***International and Russia aspect***  
*St. Petersburg State Forest Technical University*  
*St. Petersburg/Russia*  
**13-15 November 2013**

***Second Announcement***

***Forest certification and protection from illegal logging***

Forest certification is an evolving set of policies and criteria that, essentially, provide accountability for forest management on a particular ownership.

Additionally, it can serve the forest owner (private or public) by identifying areas where resource management might be improved.

There are several major certification systems and various ways of securing certification. During the conference, representatives will speak about the following forest certification systems : FSC - Forest Stewardship Council, PEFC - Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification, SFI (SM) - Sustainable Forestry Initiative, SFE - Sustainable Forestry Education, ISO - International Standards Organization, VPA and CIFOR and the Due diligence of the EUTR.

Illegal logging is the harvesting, transporting, processing, buying or selling of timber in violation of national laws. This definition also applies to harvesting wood from protected areas, exporting threatened plant/tree species, and falsifying official documents. It also includes breaking license agreements, tax evasion, corrupting government officials and interfering with access and rights to forest areas.

During the conference, representatives will speak about the different programs of protection from illegal logging.

***Web-site***

<http://ftacademy.ru/international/conference/events/index.php?view=more&lang=eng&id=35>

***Visa***

All foreigners with the exception of CIS-country citizens need a visa to enter Russia. In order to receive the visa, please follow the above communicated link in the web-site for registration. The Russian travel agency “Favorit” will issue a voucher for obtaining visa on the basis of your registration.

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***Deadlines***

Registration: September 30, 2013  
Abstract submission: September 30, 2013  
Final paper submission: October 31, 2013  
Conference proceedings completed: November 5, 2013

***Official languages : English and Russian***

### **Presentation Formats**

*Oral.* (15 to 20 minutes). Final time frame dependent on number of accepted papers and program space.

*Poster.* Posters will be displayed for the duration of the conference. Each poster will be allocated a 1 meter wide x 2 meters high panel and the poster must fit within this area.

Materials of the conference will be published in 2 formats : *Abstracts* (will be published before conference) and *Proceedings* (will be published after conference, with editing)

The Scientific committee will perform review and recommend papers for oral or poster presentation. The Scientific committee will allocate papers to the program taking into account the quality of each paper and the balance of the program. Recommended papers will be included in the conference proceedings.

Abstracts shall be sent as an email attachment in WORD format before September, 30, 2013 to the address [mchubinsky@gmail.com](mailto:mchubinsky@gmail.com) with a note "Abstracts, FTA 2013" The paper shall not exceed 1 page (A4-size) with font 14, Times New Roman, distance 1, margins 2.5 cm. The title must be given in block letters. Under the title must be given surnames of authors and name(s) of organization(s). Size of the abstract-maximum 3 pages

### **Conference fees**

The conference fee includes publications, field trip to the Lindulovskaya larch forest (November 11), conference dinner, two lunches and coffee/tea breaks  
Full fee: 220 Euro  
Fee for students: 120 Euro  
Correspondence participation : 45 Euro

Payment can be made by bank transfer or registration desk of the conference.

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