Second Call for extended abstracts

Nordic Workshop: “The forest sector in the biobased economy
– perspectives from policy and economic sciences”

August 28-29, 2013, Uppsala/Sweden

Background

The idea of a biobased economy is receiving increasing interest as a way towards a more resource efficient and greener growth. The forest sector (including forestry, industry to forest product market) plays a crucial role for the realization of a biobased economy, particularly in the Nordic countries because these are committed to promote a green growth, have important forest sectors, and implement programs for a bioenergy development.

A biobased economy could foster economic growth with less environmental side effects through innovative and efficient use of forest resources. Key features of a biobased economy include green business development, research, and appropriate economic incentives and policies.

The transition towards a biobased economy involves economic and policy challenges for the forest sector: in designing appropriate regulations and incentives, and stimulating innovation and development, green forest business development. This warrants a better understanding of how policies and markets shape the conditions for the biobased economy in the forest sector. The economic and political sciences can provide insights on these issues, and consequently contribute to the adaptation of the forest sector to a biobased economy. This Nordic workshop is one way to stimulate the dialogue on the topic. It also spot the ‘traps’, and enabling conditions, that can affect this transition.

The workshop

The workshop aims at identifying the state of the art and future needs regarding the Nordic forest sector within the biobased economy - from a political science/economics/business administration perspective. This includes the following objectives:

1) Examine how the biobased economy concept could be defined and how it applies to the forest sector.
2) Identify important actors and drivers for improving the forest sector’s role and contribution are in a bio-based economy.

Researchers on forest policy and economics aspects of the forest sector are invited to submit extended abstracts. The workshop starts with lunch on August 28 and ends in the afternoon on August 29th. It is divided in keynote sessions with invited speakers, research presentations and discussions.

Extended abstracts

Extended abstracts (1500-2000 words) can be submitted until 15 April 2013 (see Instructions below). The presentations will be selected on the basis of scientific quality, their relevance in addressing the
two aims of the workshop, information content and clarity of the submitted extended abstracts. The authors of accepted presentations and workshop organizers will be notified after 10 May 2013.

Please send your extended abstracts to the following contact address:
Anders Roos: anders.roos@slu.se

Publication
Accepted extended abstracts will be published in a Workshop Proceedings. Selected papers from the workshop will also be recommended for publication in full versions in a special issue of the Scandinavian Journal of Forest Research in 2014.

Keynote speakers:
Markku Ollikainen (University of Helsinki)
Mikael Lindström (Innventia, Stockholm)

Registration and Dates
A registration fee of 90 Euros will be charged. The registration fee will offer participants:
Admission to the session; Two conference lunches; Coffee breaks throughout the conference and
One conference dinner

Participants will cover travel expenses and accommodation costs. Time schedule:
Conference announcement and call for papers: 12 February
Deadline for extended abstracts 15 April
Acceptance of extended abstracts: 10 May
Registration deadline: 30 June

Conference organizer:
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In cooperation with the conference committee:
Daniela Kleinschmit, (SLU, Sweden); Anne Toppinen (University of Helsinki, Finland); Sjur Baardsen, Berit Hauger Lindstad (Norwegian University of Life Sciences); Bo Jellesmark Thorsen (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)
Instructions – extended abstract

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