International Union of Forest Research Organizations

**Forests.**
Forests and trees cover about one third of the world’s land base. They grow in different climates and environments and on different soils, and they offer various goods and services. The livelihoods of more than a quarter of the Earth’s population depend on forests.

**Science.**
Scientists worldwide want to know more about forests and trees. They want to understand exactly how they grow, what makes them healthy, and how to use their goods and services sustainably. And they want to help them cope with impacts from an increasing world population and climate change.

**People.**
People’s well-being and prosperity depend on the productivity and robustness of the world’s ecosystems and the services they provide. Scientific knowledge and research capacity contribute to ensuring a resilient and diverse natural resource base and support sound decision making.

**IUFRO.**
IUFRO, the International Union of Forest Research Organizations, offers a global network for voluntary cooperation. The network is open to all individuals and organizations dedicated to forest and forest products research and related disciplines. IUFRO aims to contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations.
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