International Forests and Water Conference 2018

First announcement for a joint meeting of

The 2\textsuperscript{nd} Latin American Congress Bosques y Agua

The 5\textsuperscript{th} IUFRO Conference on Forests and Water in a Changing Environment

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Valdivia, Chile
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Climate and land use change pose challenges for managing forests and water for sustainable development. This joint meeting will help link dynamic developments in Latin American forests to a global community studying environmental change, forests, and water. The conference will provide a forum for experts on forest hydrology, watershed ecosystem management, ecohydrology, climate, and environmental change. The conference promotes exchange of understanding and experience from the realms of research, policy, and public involvement, while developing international research collaborations.

Objectives:

1 Promote science in support of sustainable co-development of forestry (including native forests and plantations), water resources, and aquatic ecosystems in a changing environment.

2 Explore the opportunities and challenges of using the United Nations Agenda 2030 to guide this co-development.

3 Bridge science with society and decision making on forests and water issues in a Latin American context by promoting dialogue and collaborative networks involving academics, forest industry, government, and local people.

Themes:

- The 2030 Agenda framework for forests and waters
- Forest ecosystems and climate change adaptation
- Forest certification and water resources
- Ecosystem service tradeoffs from native forests and plantations
- Biodiversity of streams and rivers – forest ecosystem-stream connections
- Role of arts, humanities, and communication
- Community-based watershed management and monitoring
- Agroforestry and water
- Forest ecosystem restoration for aquatic ecosystem services
- Forests in the food-water-energy nexus

A call for abstracts will be issued in October 2017 when a website for the Conference will be open.

Please pass this announcement on to anyone who might be interested.

To receive further information, send a message to forestsandwater2018@uach.cl.

Sincerely,

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