



International Conference on Multipurpose Forest Management Strategies for sustainability in a climate change era

20-25 September 2009

Niigata, Japan

First Circular

Objectives

We have inherited forests from previous generations and have used these forests for various purposes, and it is our responsibility to ensure that forests are handed down to future generations. However, the influence of climate change is becoming hard to ignore, even on forest sustainability; climate change will lead to stronger tropical depressions that will damage forests to greater extents than at present. Further development of forest planning and management methods that enhance the carbon sink function of forests to mitigate effects of climate change is urgently required. Given this situation, we must review past methods and develop new techniques for sustainable forest management. An international conference held in Utsunomiya, Japan, in October 2004 discussed the roles of forests for coming generations. In an upcoming international research meeting sponsored by IUFRO Division 4, we wish to discuss state-of-the-art techniques and practices for managing forest resources sustainably, enhancing the various functions of forests, and maintaining forest ecosystems. Through reports and discussions, we wish to clarify techniques that can be used in various regions and forest types, considerations necessary for applying such techniques in certain regions, and new techniques that should be developed.

Main Topics

Forest Functions and Zoning Forest Management Unit
Silvicultural Systems and Management Planning
Disaster Damage Reduction
Carbon Sequestration
Mathematical Modelling
Application of Remote Sensing and Geographic Information
Large-scale Forest Inventory

Language

The official conference language will be English. No translation facilities will be provided.

Conference Venue

Toki Messe (Niigata Convention Centre)
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Conference Program

20 September 2009, Sunday	Registration, Ice break
21 September 2009, Monday	Registration, Oral presentation
22 September 2009, Tuesday	Oral presentation, Poster presentation, Banquet
23 September 2009, Wednesday	Oral presentation
24 September 2009, Thursday	Field trip
25 September 2009, Friday	Field trip

Deadlines

31 March 2009, Tuesday	Deadline for submission of abstracts
30 April 2009, Thursday	Notification of acceptance of abstracts
29 May 2009, Friday	Deadline for early registration
20 August 2009, Thursday	Deadline for regular registration
21 September 2009, Monday	Deadline for submission of full papers

Committee

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