



*Photo from the field day
(by Lise Gleasure)*

This is the first FEC to be held in both the Southern Hemisphere and South Africa, and the field day demonstrated different aspects of South African timber harvesting technology. The operations presented were as follows: a motor-manual clear felling using a cable skidder and roadside merchandising; a tree-length and grapple skidder operation, also accompanied by roadside merchandising; and a cut-to-length forwarder with motor manual felling in conjunction with a first pass thinning operation. The conference closed with tentative plans for the 5th FEC to be held in France under the direction of l'Institut Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois-Construction Ameublement (FCBA).

The Conference was jointly organized by Stellenbosch University and the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO, [Division 3](#)) with sponsorship from Tigercat, Southern Mapping Company, Bell, Mondi, John Deere, Forest Engineering Southern Africa (FESA), Husqvarna, Komatiland Forests, Merensky, York Timbers, Stihl, SA Forestry Magazine and Wood Southern Africa & Timber Times. Over 130 delegates from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Mozambique, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States of America attended.

Members of the WFSE Steering Committee Met at IUFRO Headquarters to Discuss and Plan Activities for 2011-2014

by Gerardo Mery, WFSE Coordinator

The Steering Committee of IUFRO's Special Project on World Forests, Society and Environment (WFSE) convened at IUFRO Headquarters in Vienna, Austria, 18-20 May to discuss the main themes and activities of the project's next phase (2011-2014). On the basis of existing scientific knowledge WFSE looks for innovative solutions to support and advance the formulation and implementation of forest-related initiatives and policies at the forest, society and environment interface.

The main outputs from the previous phase of WFSE included the book "Forest and Society – Responding to Global Drivers of Change", the global policy brief "Making forests work for people and nature – Responding to global drivers of change" and a series of regional policy briefs for Europe, Latin America, Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia. (Publications available at: <http://www.iufro.org/science/special/wfse/wfse-achievements/>)

In the next phase, WFSE will continue by building on the findings and conclusions of its previous books. It will focus on the local level implementation and outcomes of different policies and initiatives that have aimed at enhancing sustainable forest management and local livelihoods, and the links between national and international level processes and initiatives and local



*Photo (by G Wolfrum IUFRO HQ):
WFSE Steering Committee members*

implementation. The outcome will be a book and a related policy brief that will be launched at the IUFRO XXIV World Congress in Salt Lake City, USA, in 2014. WFSE is an open, non-profit, collaborative network of scientists and experts steered by ten international research organizations. We invite all interested parties, individual scientists and organisations, to participate in this collaborative research project. For further information please visit the WFSE web-page: <http://www.iufro.org/wfse> or contact WFSE Coordinator Gerardo Mery, [gerardo.mery\(at\)metla.fi](mailto:gerardo.mery(at)metla.fi).

Publications

Proceedings

1st International Conference on Processing Technologies for the Forest and Biobased Products Industries:
<http://www.iufro.org/download/file/7096/4585/50500-kuchl10.pdf/>

Spanish Journal of Rural Development (SJRJ)

This multidisciplinary journal published by the Asociación Gallega de Investigadores para el Desarrollo Rural (AGAIDERU) strives to be a discussion forum that contributes to improving the knowledge of rural environment, focusing on sustainable development. ISSN (paper version): 2171-1216; ISSN (online version): 2172-2277. Website: <http://www.sjruraldevelopment.org>

Latin America and Caribbean Regional Update

IISD's new publication includes the latest news and information on sustainable development issues throughout the region. The first issue includes several stories on forestry and biodiversity, including recent activities on bigleaf mahogany and on the International Year of Forests. <http://larc.iisd.org/latin-america-caribbean-regional-update/>

Journal 'Urban Forestry & Urban Greening' Celebrates its 10th Anniversary

In 2002, a new scientific journal focusing on research dealing with urban forests and urban green spaces was launched. This year marks Urban Forestry & Urban Greening's 10th anniversary. You can read more about this milestone and its celebration at the European Forum on Urban Forestry in Glasgow by visiting <http://www.unri.org/wsb4713307301/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/ufug.HTML> This also gives you free access to the first issue of the 10th Volume.

New: Urban and Peri-urban Forestry Newsletter

FAO has published the first issue of the Urban and Peri-urban Forestry newsletter. The aim of the newsletter is to be a tribune for all actors promoting Urban and Peri-Urban Forestry (UPF). The objectives are to share information on an international basis and facilitate the exchange of good practice. The Newsletter will be issued every two months and available in English, French and Spanish. Contact: Michelle Gauthier, FO-UPF-newsletter(at)fao.org

Die Forstbenutzung

by Gottlob König, edited by Carl Grebe
Reprint of the German edition of 1861 (Eisenach), Verlag Kessel, ISBN: 978-3-941300-44-6

Announcements

Forest film contest

"Mensch Wald", Germany's official UN International Year of Forests campaign, invites filmmakers to enter a short film about how the forest inspires them. Visit: <http://www.menschwald.nrw.de>

Call for Bids for the XXV IUFRO World Congress

If you feel that your country is a potential candidate for hosting the XXV IUFRO World Congress, scheduled for 2019, please contact the other IUFRO member organizations in your country as well as the appropriate government authorities and forward to them the bidding rules and discuss a formal proposal.

<http://www.iufro.org/news/article/2011/03/15/iufro-world-congress-2019-call-for-bids/>

Positions and Fellowships

Master's / PhD Fellowship:

Community ecology – Brown spruce longhorn beetle: The University of New Brunswick (UNB) in Fredericton and the Canadian Forest Service (CFS) laboratories in Fredericton and Quebec City are seeking a Master's or PhD student whose research will evaluate the impact of biotic (i.e. trophic interactions) and abiotic (i.e. climate) factors that drive the population dynamics of exotic forest insects. More information: <http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/#c12985>

Two PhD Fellowships available: Insect disturbance and forest dynamics

The Centre for Forest Research (Le centre d'étude de la forêt <http://www.ccf-cfr.ca/>), the University of Quebec at Montreal (UQAM), the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi (UQAC) and the Laurentian Forestry Centre, Canadian Forest Service in Quebec City are seeking two PhD students whose research will evaluate the susceptibility and vulnerability of the boreal forest to the current eastern spruce budworm outbreak. For information contact Louis De Grandpré (louis.degrandpre(at)rncan.gc.ca) or Dan Kneeshaw (kneeshaw.daniel(at)uqam.ca)

Position of Associated Professor (CBNRM)

The Forest and Nature Conservation Policy group (FNP) of Wageningen University, The Netherlands, offers a challenging career path as Associated Professor in the field of community-based natural resource management (CBNRM), with a focus on forests and/or biodiversity. Detailed information about this job can be obtained from Prof. B.J.M. Arts, e-mail Bas.Arts(at)wur.nl or from Dr. Esther Turnhout, e-mail Esther.Turnhout(at)wur.nl. Deadline for applications is 15 June 2011. <http://www.iufro.org/discover/noticeboard/#c14607>

Metla Seeks Professor of Statistical Methods and Professor of Forest Planning

The Finnish Forest Research Institute (Metla) asks for applications by 10 June 2011, 4:00 p.m. Find the position announcements on our noticeboard or directly at: <http://www.metla.fi/avoimetpaikat/2011/professor-statistical-methods-10-06-2011.htm> <http://www.metla.fi/avoimetpaikat/2011/professor-forest-planning-10-06-2011.htm>

IUFRO Meetings

Search our [online calendar](#) for a full list of meetings!
Find non-IUFRO meetings on the IUFRO [Noticeboard](#)!
Also search for forest-related events in GFIS at:
<http://www.gfis.net>

Postponement

Due to the recent earthquakes in Christchurch, New Zealand, the
"Australasian Forest Genetics Conference: integrating quantitative and molecular tools" originally scheduled for October 2011 will be postponed to next year. The new date and venue will be announced in due time. IUFRO 2.00.00, 2.02.00, 2.04.00
Contact: Luis Apiolaza, luis.apiolaza(at)canterbury.ac.nz

21-26 Aug 2011

10th International Christmas Tree Research & Extension Conference

Altlengbach, Austria

IUFRO [2.02.09](#)

Contact: Chal Landgren, chal.landgren(at)oregonstate.edu
Karl Schuster, karl.schuster(at)lk-noe.at
<http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-2/20000/20200/20209/activities/>

27-29 Sep 2011

Restoring Forests: Advances in Techniques and Theory

Madrid, Spain

IUFRO [1.06.00](#), [2.01.00](#), [3.02.00](#)

Contact: Juan A. Oliet, juan.oliet(at)upm.es
<http://www.restoringforests.net/>

9-13 October 2011

44th International Symposium on Forestry Mechanisation – FORMEC 2011: Pushing the Boundaries with Research and Innovation in Forest Engineering

Graz, Austria

IUFRO [3.06.00](#)

Contact: Martin Kühmaier, formec2011(at)boku.ac.at
<http://formec.boku.ac.at/home.html>

6-11 Nov 2011

The Future Role of Bio-Energy from Tree Biomass in Europe

Vienna, Austria

IUFRO

Contact: Rolf Björheden, Rolf.Bjorheden(at)skogforsk.se
<http://www.esf.org/index.php?id=8196>

18-27 May 2012

Biological Reaction of Forests to Climate and Air Pollution

Kaunas, Lithuania

IUFRO [7.00.00](#)

Contact: Algirdas Augustaitis, algirdas.augustaitis(at)lzuu.lt
Andrzej Bytnerowicz, abytnerowicz(at)fs.fed.us
<http://www.iufro-at-lzuu.lt/>

Other Meetings

29 Jun-1 Jul 2011

VII Congreso Forestal Centroamericano - "El Bosque sin Frontera para Todos y por el bien Común"

Managua, Nicaragua

<http://www.septimocongresoforestalca.com.ni/>

4-8 Jul 2011

EuroMAB 2011 Conference: Sharing Sustainable Futures

Lundsbrunn, Sweden

(with a pre-event in Joenköping during 30 June - 2 July)
<http://www.euromab2011.se/index.php>

8-9 Aug 2011

Second Regional Forum for People and Forests

Bangkok, Thailand

RECOFTC

<http://www.recoftc.org/site/resources/Second-Regional-Forum-for-People-and-Forests.php>

15-17 Aug 2011

International Student Conference: Climate Change and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS), (CCIKS2011)

Johannesburg, South Africa

African Young Scientists Initiative on Climate Change and Indigenous Knowledge (AYSICCIK)

Contact: Anke Weisheit, ankeweisheit(at)web.de

<http://aysiccik.blog.com/ev/cciks-2011/>

19-21 Sep 2011

Who Will Own the Forest?

Portland, Oregon, USA

World Forestry Center

<http://wwotf.worldforestry.org/wwotf7/index.html>

21-25 Sep 2011

65th Annual Meeting of the German Forestry Association

Aachen, Germany

<http://www.forstverein.de/tagung/aachen2011/>

31 Oct-5 Nov 2011

Planted Teak Forests: a Globally Emerging Forest Resource

Guanacaste, Costa Rica

CATIE, FAO and TEAKNET

http://web.catie.ac.cr/conferencia_teca/home_ing.htm

9 Nov 2011

ISAE 2011- International Symposium on Agriculture & Environment

University of Ruhuna, Mapalana, Kamburupitiya, Sri Lanka

Contact: Mangala De Zoysa, mangalaxy(at)yahoo.com

<http://www.agri.ruh.ac.lk/sympo/ISAE2011/index.htm>

7-11 Nov 2011

Second Asia-Pacific Forestry Week: New Challenges – New Opportunities

Beijing, China

FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

<http://www.fao.org/forestry/ap-forestry-week/en/>

1 Dec 2011

International Symposium on Urban Open Spaces - Quality Provision and Assessment

Frederiksberg, Denmark

Contact: Cecil Konijnendijk, cck(at)life.ku.dk

<http://www.greenspaceaward.com>

4 Dec 2011

Forest Day 5

Durban, South Africa

http://www.forestsclimatechange.org/ForestDay-4_431.html

6-15 Sep 2012

IUCN World Conservation Congress

Jeju Island, Korea

<http://www.worldconservationcongress.org/>