

## Programme

# International Conference on Forest Education

22 – 24 June 2021, Virtual conference livestreamed from FAO, Rome, Italy

All times refer to Central European Summer Time (CEST)

Tuesday 22 June 2021		
12:30 – 15:00	<b>Opening Plenary</b> <i>Moderator: Mr. Andrew Taber, Team Leader (Social Forestry), FAO</i>	<b>Languages</b> English (E) French (F) Spanish (S)
12:35-12:45	<b>Welcome Address</b> <b>Ms. Maria-Helena Semedo</b> <i>Deputy Director-General, Climate and Natural Resources, FAO</i>	
12:45- 12:55	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <b>Dr. Eva Mueller</b> <i>Director General, Forest, Sustainability and Renewable Resources, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Germany</i>	
12:55-13:05	<b>Remarks on the global policy context of education for sustainable development</b> <b>Ms. Stefania Giannini</b> <i>Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO</i>	
13:05-13:30	<b>Keynote Addresses</b> <b>Dr. Daniela Kleinschmit</b> <i>Chair of Forest and Environmental Policy, University of Freiburg, Vice-President Divisions, International Union of Forest Research Organizations, IUFRO</i> <b>Mr. Amos Amanubo</b> <i>Student and Previous President of the International Forestry Students' Association (2019-2020)</i>	
13:30-13:50	<b>Presentation of the key findings of the Global Assessment on Forest Education</b> <b>Dr. Mika Rekola</b> <i>Lecturer, Forest Economics and Marketing, University of Helsinki</i>	
13:50-14:20	<b>Presentation of the key findings of the Regional Assessments on Forest Education</b> <u><b>Africa</b></u> <b>Dr. James Kung'u</b> <i>Professor, Kenyatta University/Executive Secretary, African Network for Agriculture, Agroforestry &amp; Natural Resources Education (ANAFE)</i> <u><b>Asia-Pacific</b></u> <b>Mr. Sirichai Saengcharnchai</b> <i>University Network Partnership Coordinator, RECOFTC</i> <u><b>Europe</b></u> <b>Dr. Niclas Sandström</b> <i>Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Education, Helsinki Institute of Sustainability Science</i> <u><b>Latin America and the Caribbean</b></u> <b>Dr. Sandra Rodríguez-Piñeros</b>	

	<p><i>Professor, Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua / Scientist, International Union of Forest Research Organizations</i></p> <p><b><u>Near East and North Africa</u></b></p> <p><b>Mr. Osman Yousif Hamid</b> <i>Representative, Arab Organization for Agricultural Development</i></p> <p><b><u>North America</u></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Michelle Zeng</b> <i>Senior Manager, Educational Strategies, Dean's Office, Faculty of Forestry, University of British Columbia</i></p> <p><b>Dr. Terry Sharik</b> <i>Professor and Emeritus Dean, Michigan Technological University</i></p> <p><b>Mr. Rocco Saracina</b> <i>Senior Manager, Project Learning Tree</i></p>	
14:20-14:40	<b>Questions and answers on the findings of the global and regional assessments</b>	
14:40-15:00	<b>Presentation of the Call to Action on Forest Education</b>	
15:00-15:15	<b>BREAK</b>	
15:15-16:45	<p><b>Breakout Session 1</b></p> <p><i>Concurrent breakout groups to discuss key areas for strengthening forest education</i></p> <p>1.1 Planting the seeds: the importance of early forest education at the primary and secondary levels to inspire young minds <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.2 Improving the quality of forest education at tertiary level <b>(E/F/S)</b></p> <p>1.3 Enhancing practical field training: Technical and Vocational Education and Training, and Farmer Field Schools <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.4 Improving the content of traditional and indigenous knowledge in forest education and strengthening traditional knowledge systems <b>(E)</b></p>	
16:45-18:15	<p><b>Breakout Session 1</b></p> <p><i>Concurrent breakout groups to discuss key areas for strengthening forest education</i></p> <p>1.5 Expanding the scope of forest education: fostering a more integrated and holistic approach <b>(E/F/S)</b></p> <p>1.6 Addressing gender and ethnicity in forest education <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.7 The juncture of forest education and employment <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.8 10 reasons why you should take a job in forestry - Changing the public's perception of the forester through strategic communication <b>(E)</b></p>	
<b>Wednesday 23 June 2021</b>		
08:30 –10:00	<p><b>Breakout Session 1</b></p> <p><i>Concurrent breakout groups to discuss key areas for strengthening forest education (1.1-1.4)</i></p> <p>1.1 Planting the seeds: the importance of early forest education at the primary and secondary levels to inspire young minds <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.2 Improving the quality of forest education at tertiary level <b>(E/F/S)</b></p> <p>1.3 Enhancing practical field training: Technical and Vocational Education and Training, and Farmer Field Schools <b>(E)</b></p> <p>1.4 Improving the content of traditional and indigenous knowledge in forest education and strengthening knowledge systems <b>(E)</b></p>	

10:00-11:30	<b>Breakout Session 1</b> <i>Concurrent breakout groups to discuss key areas for strengthening forest education (1.5-1.8)</i> 1.5 Expanding the scope of forest education: fostering a more integrated and holistic approach <b>(E/F/S)</b> 1.6 Addressing gender and ethnicity in forest education <b>(E)</b> 1.7 The juncture of forest education and employment <b>(E)</b> 1.8 10 reasons why you should take a job in forestry - Changing the public's perception of the forester through strategic communication <b>(E)</b>	
11:30-13:00	<b>BREAK</b>	
13:00-15:00	<b>Plenary Session 2</b> <i>Moderator: Ms Sheam Satkuru, Director of Operations, International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)</i>	E/F/S
13:05-13:40	<b>Reporting of consolidated outputs of Breakout Session 1</b>	
13:40-14:50	<b>Roundtable "Then and now: The evolution of forest education in a global landscape"</b> <i>Dr. John Innes</i> <i>Dean, Faculty of Forestry, University of British Columbia</i> <b>Mr. Felix Finkbeiner</b> <i>Founder and Chair of the Board of Plant-for-the-Planet Foundation</i> <b>Ms. Marie Noel Ngoddo</b> <i>Program Officer, Training and Learning Initiatives, RECOFTC</i> <b>Ms. Nora Simola</b> <i>Climate and Forestry Specialist, Food and Forest Development Finland (FFD)/AgriCord</i>	
14:50-15:00	<b>Launch of the Online Learning Course on legal and sustainable supply chains of tropical wood and tropical forest products (ITTO)</b>	
15:00-15:15	<b>BREAK</b>	
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<b>13:00-14:30</b>	<b>Closing Plenary</b> <i>Moderator: <b>Mr. Alexander Buck</b>, Executive Director, International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)</i>	<b>E/F/S</b>
<b>13:05-13:45</b>	<b>Reporting of consolidated outputs of Breakout Sessions 2 and 3</b>	
<b>13:45-14:00</b>	<b>Endorsement of the Call to Action on Forest Education (<i>Mr. Andrew Taber, FAO</i>)</b>	
<b>14:00-14:15</b>	<b>Presentation of the Collaborative Partnership on Forest's Joint Initiative on Forest Education (<i>Ms. Sheam Satkuru, ITTO</i>)</b> <b>Statements from the partners of the Joint Initiative</b>	
<b>14:15-14:20</b>	<b>The importance of Forest Education: perspectives from key stakeholders – Video campaign</b>	
<b>14:20-14:30</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <b><i>Ms. Mette Wilkie</i></b> <i>Chair of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests</i>	