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ASIA-PACIFIC FORESTRY WEEK (APFW) 2016 AND 26TH ASIA-PACIFIC FORESTRY COMMISSION (APFC) EVALUATION

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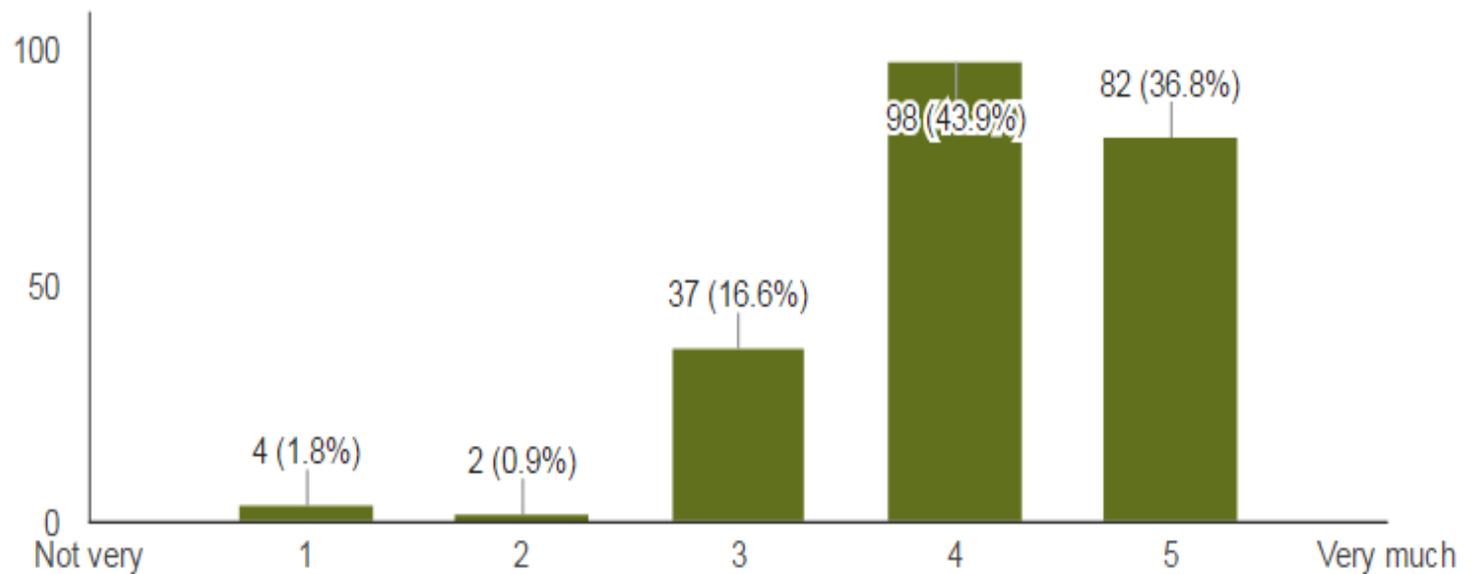
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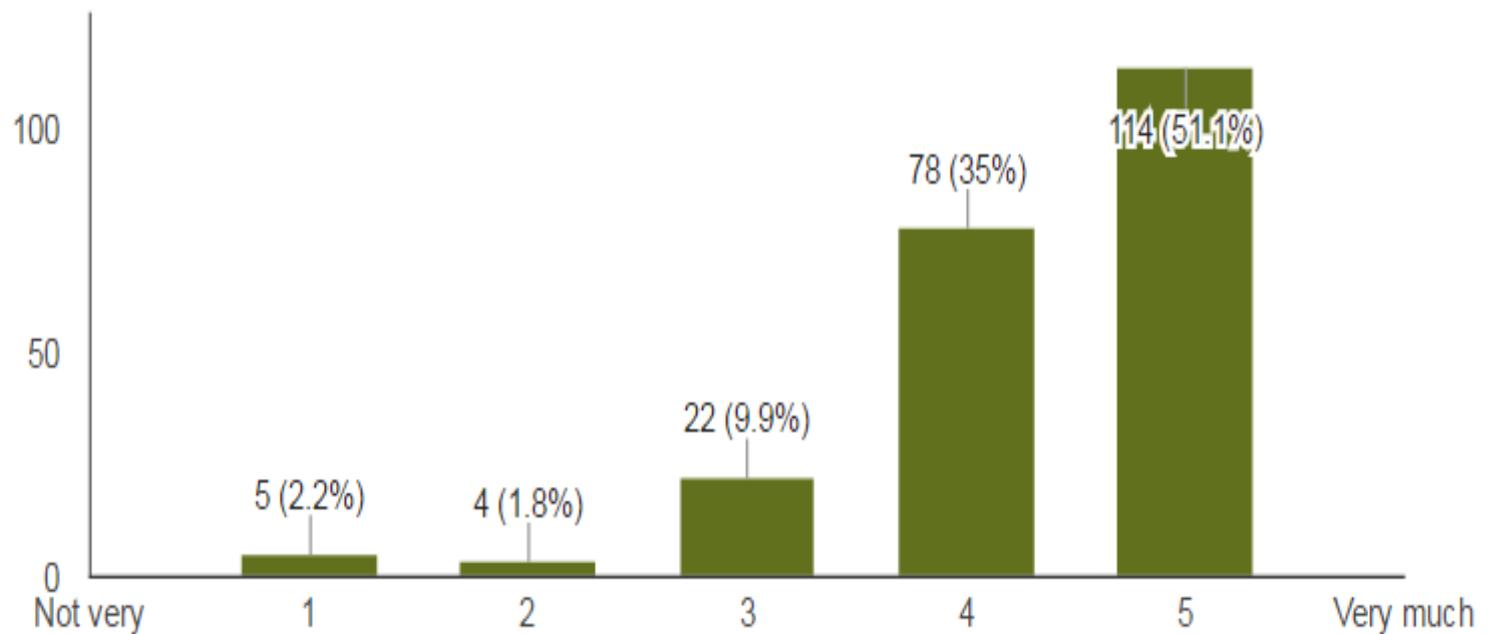
- ▶ **Evaluation format: Google Forms (online)**
- ▶ **Methods: Total 20 questions with a combination of multiple choices, ranking, and short and long answers**
- ▶ **Respondents: total 223 (as of 6 March 2016)**

How satisfied were you with the Asia-Pacific Forestry Week (APFW) 2016?

(223 responses)



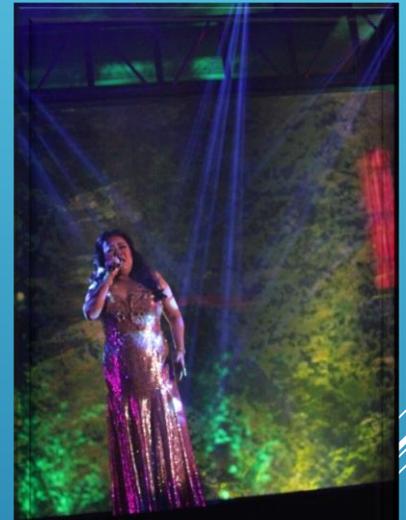
How relevant and helpful do you think it was for your job? (223 responses)



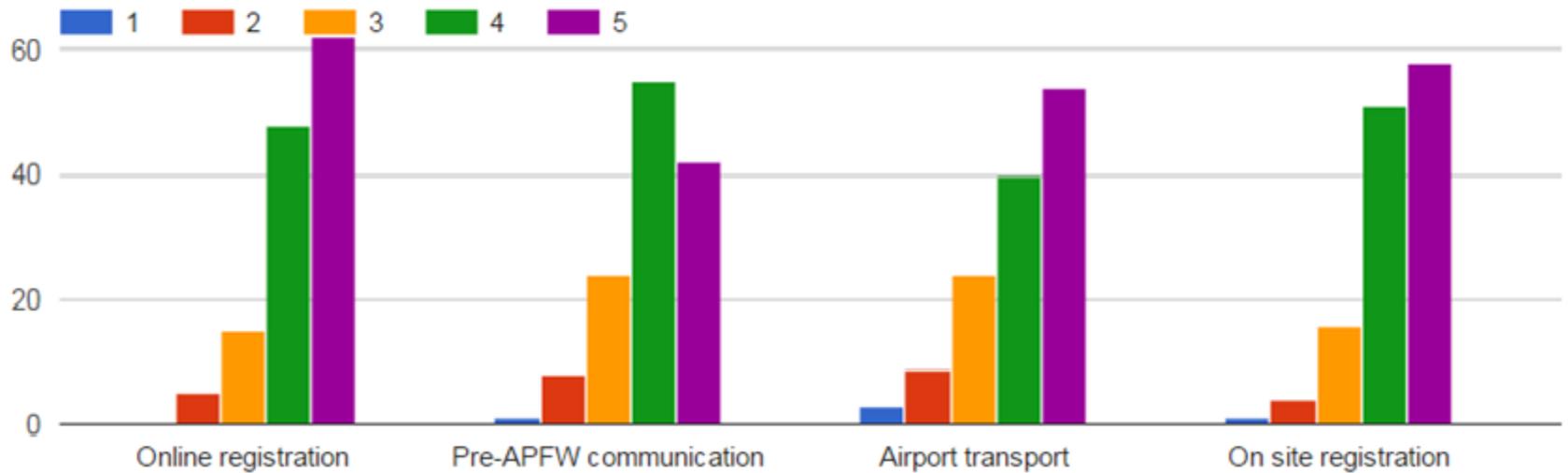
What do you remember most from APFW 2016?

Selected answers that are most repeated include the following:

- Opening and closing ceremonies
- Networking
- Theme song
- Daily newsletters
- Hospitality of hosts
- Exhibition booths
- Large number of participants

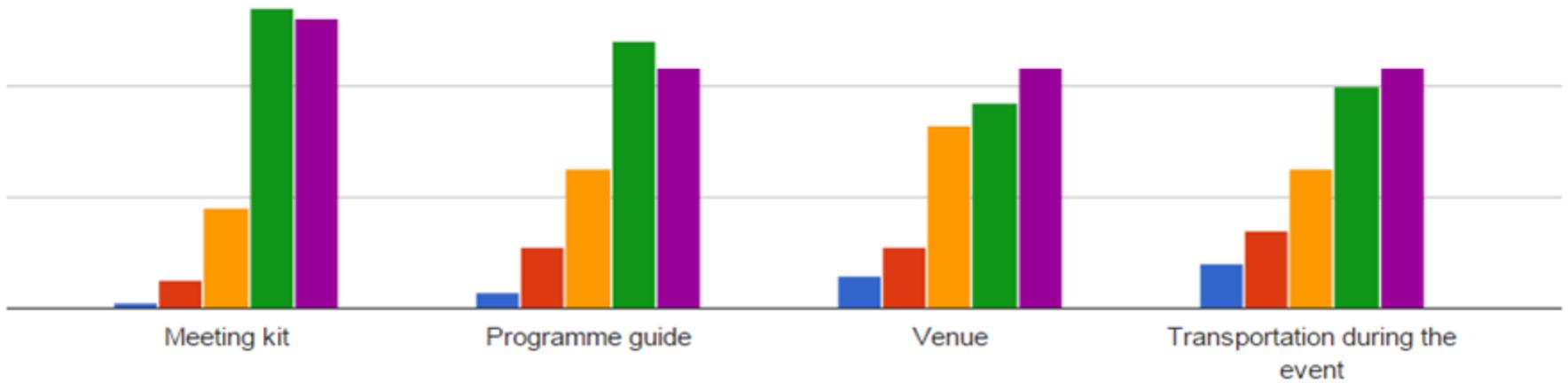


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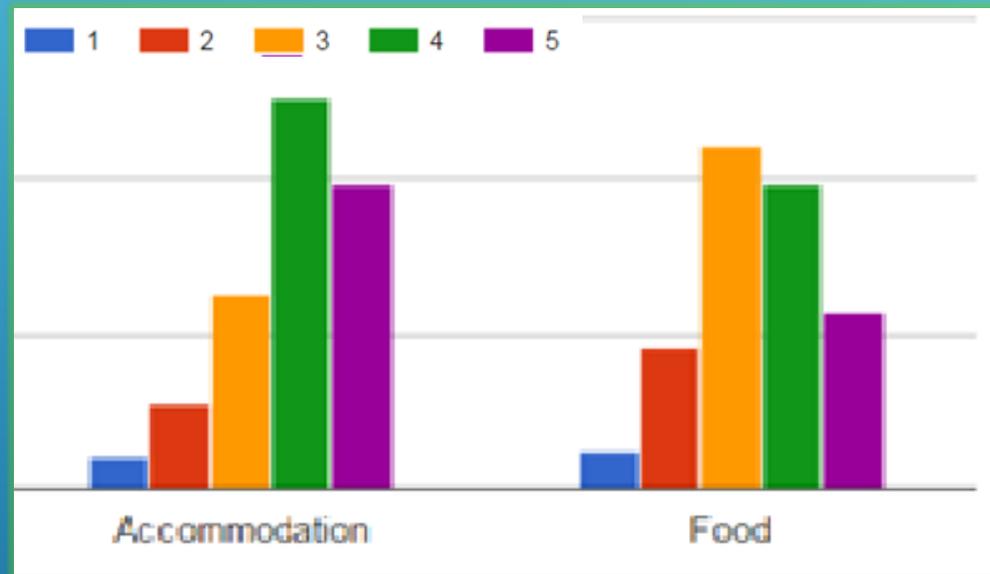


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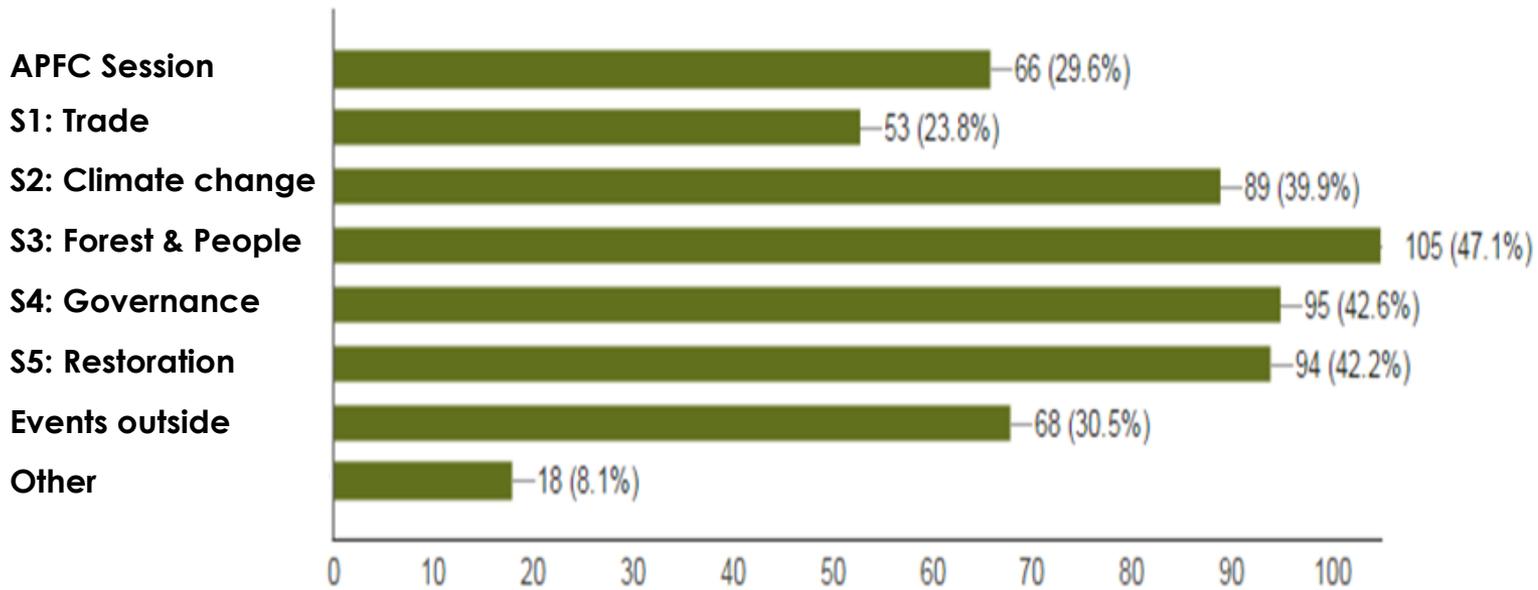


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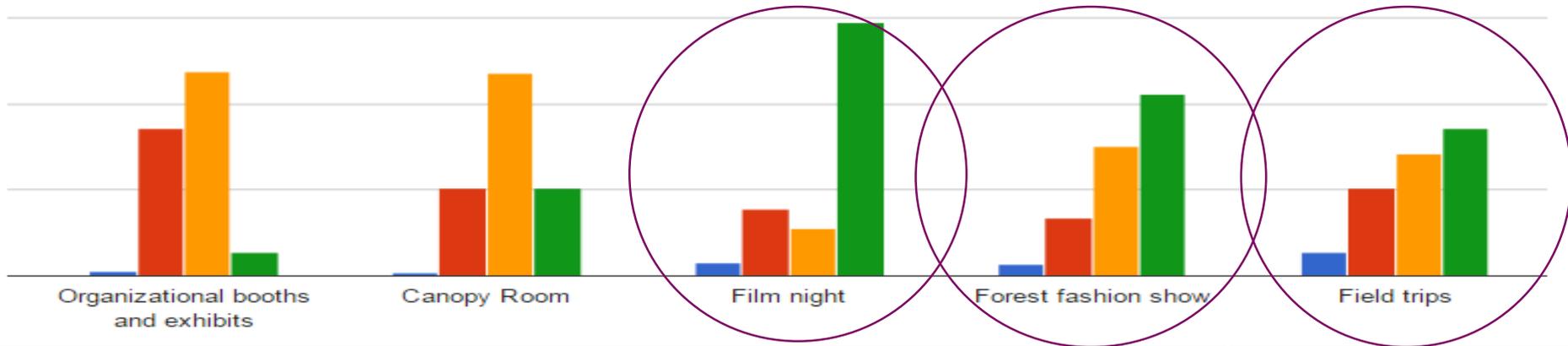
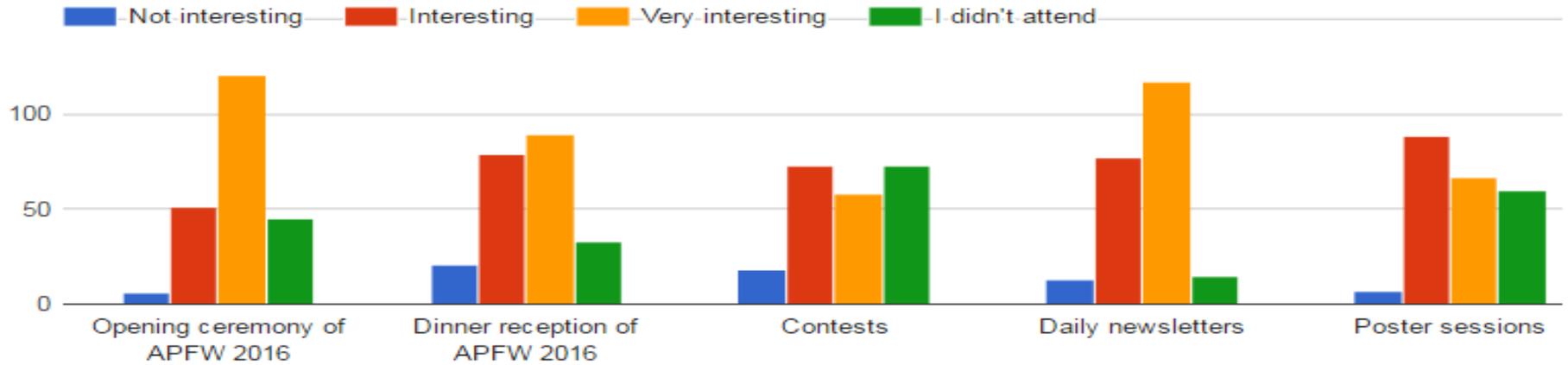


Which session(s)/stream(s) did you attend? Check all that applies.

(223 responses)

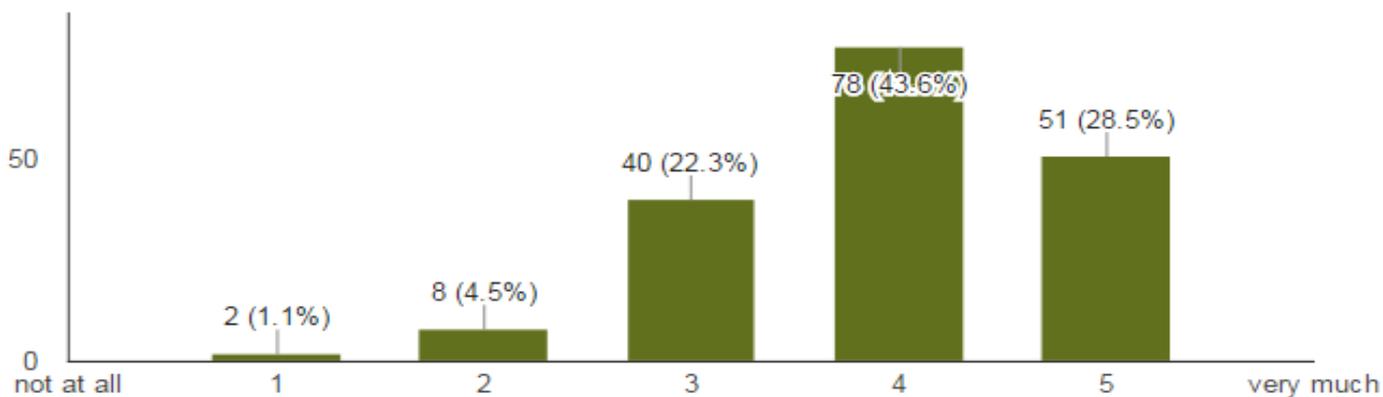


How interesting do you think the following features were?



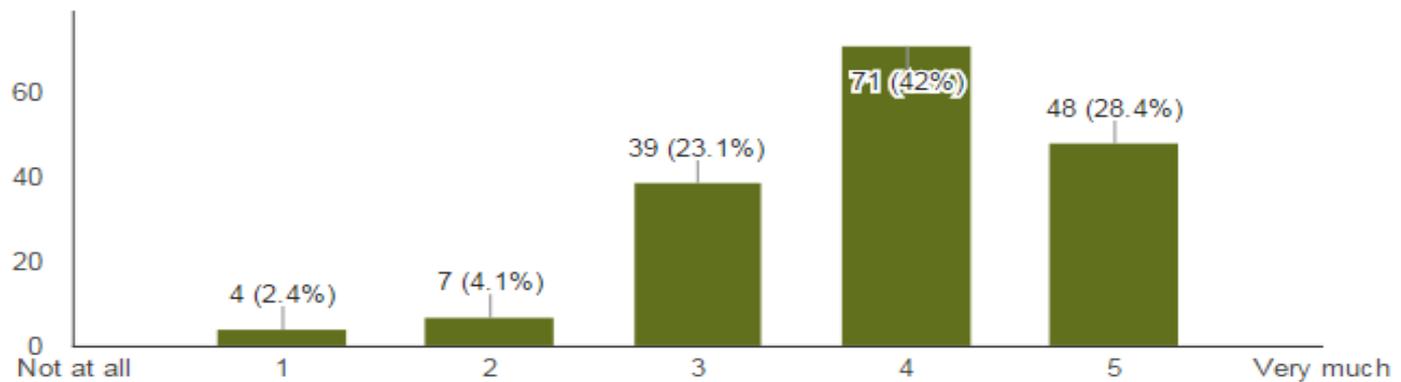
How satisfied were you with the 26th Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission (APFC)?

(179 responses)



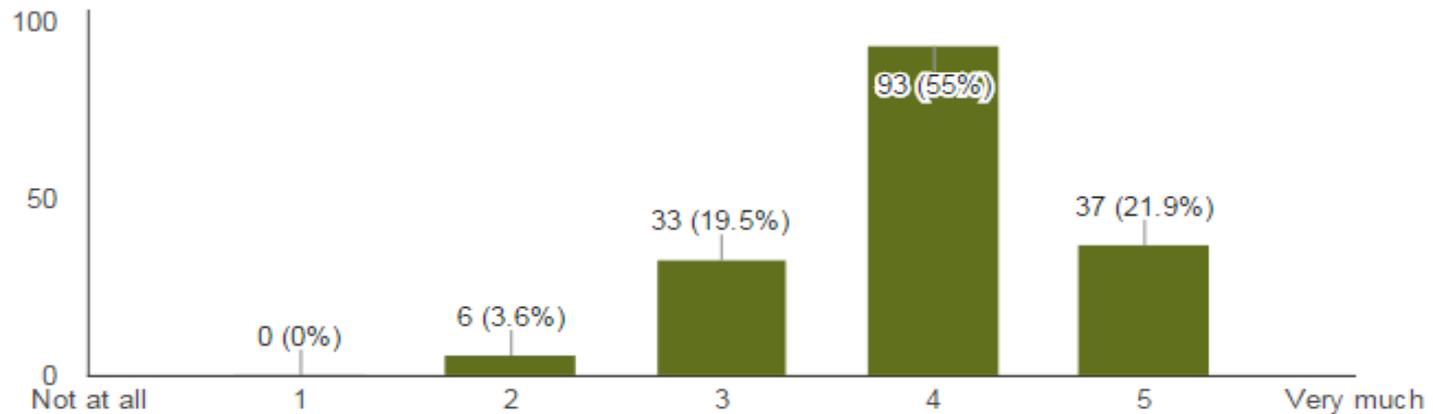
Did the Session provide adequate opportunities for discussion and consideration of key issues?

(169 responses)



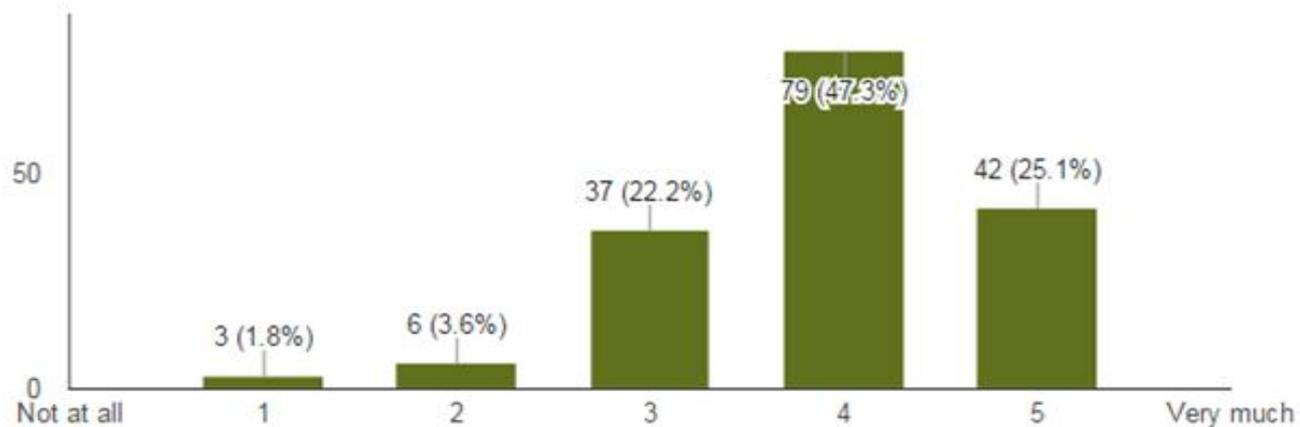
Were the presenters informative, well-prepared, and understandable?

(169 responses)



Did the 26th APFC Session serve to set priorities for collaborative actions on important forestry issues in the region?

(167 responses)



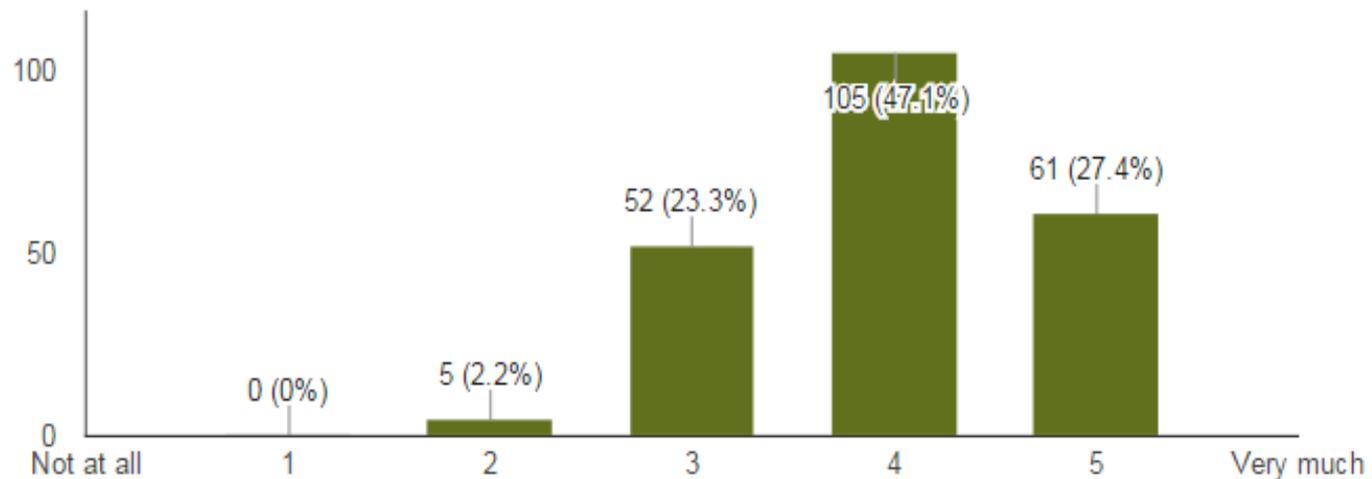
Did we miss anything important in the APFC sessions?

- Most respondents thought that all important issues were adequately discussed. Other respondents thought the following topics could/should have received more attention:
 - Collaborative research on different institutions
 - Regional cooperation and coordination and cross learning
 - Lack of opportunity for locals to meet policy makers
 - Financial instruments for tackling climate change
 - Improving communications with decision makers and media to overcome common misconceptions on SFM
 - Governmental roles in regulating and supporting sustainable forest plantation development
 - Future of forestry education and youth involvement
 - Balance between policies and field implementation/application/impact
 - Role of certification schemes towards meeting Sustainable Development Goals
 - Human rights and forest policy reforms



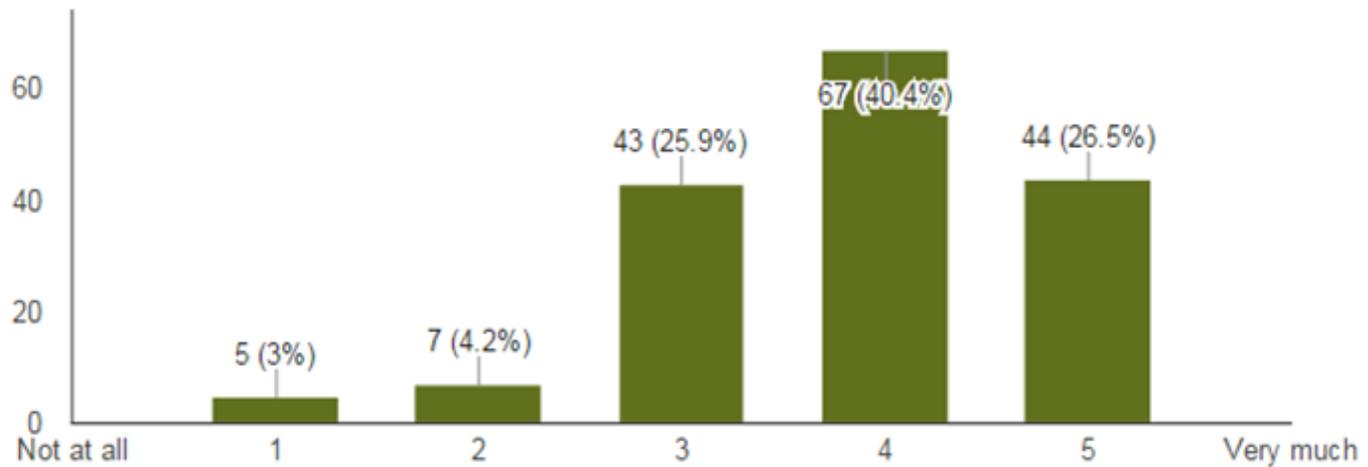
To what extent did you network with others whom you expect to work/interact with in the future?

(223 responses)



Will you take actions based on discussions and outcomes that transpired during the Session?

(166 responses)



What did you like most about APFW 2016?

➤ Participants most appreciated the networking opportunities provided by APFW, knowledge sharing/learning, and the variety of topics covered. The following list is a selection of most frequent answers:

- Networking
- Sharing information and knowledge
- Breadth and depth of topics
- Stream events bringing together all key players in the region and high quality of technical discussions



- Good working environment, friendly and supportive
- Well-coordinated transport
- Wonderful celebratory mood
- Frequent e-mail announcements
- MC for the opening plenary session (Ms. Earth)
- Moderator for the opening panel session (Veronica Pedrosa)





- Award ceremony was well done with appropriate certificates and awards – made for a special night for the winners
- Good media coverage (through different channels and via different streams)
- Creativity/entertainment (opening and closing) was far beyond expectation!
- Having kids and IFSA presence fit well with the APFW theme: “Growing Our Future”
- Booths, posters, exhibition, Canopy Room were interesting and attractive
- Daily newsletters were well done (attractive layout) and received lots of positive attention, even far beyond Clark (e.g., Bangkok and Rome)
- Closing ceremony was surprisingly well attended (often difficult to hold participants to the end)
- APFW 2016 Theme Song (The Forest of Life): still sticking in people’s heads!

What did you like least about APFW 2016?

- Some people found it inconvenient to move among meeting venues when they were trying to choose from among the various sessions convened concurrently. Some thought that field trips did not add significant value to APFW. The following list shows most repeated items appreciated least:
 - Having to move among different venues
 - Conflicting schedule of good sessions
 - Weak internet connections
 - Hotel facilities
 - Loud music
 - Absence of FAO ADG
 - Some events were running outside the streams, although relevant to the streams and could have been given more visibility if organized within streams
 - Quite difficult for participants who stayed at non-designated hotels to transport to Fontana or other meeting venues
 - A single venue for all events would be a better option for future
 - Management of social media could be improved



Overall feedback about APFW 2016

➤ Following list shows some selected comments:

- Great!
- Excellent!
- Keep up the good work
- Almost perfect organization
- Really appreciate the organizers' efforts
- A resounding success
- Impressive and effective event
- Well done!
- Very impressive
- Would have been better if there were more interactive events among different sectors
- Kudos!
- Very satisfied
- Well organized, well participated, informative, and productive; successful APFC sessions and APFW events!
- Congratulations to the organizers, especially to the workforce behind the APFW 2016... you made APFW 2016 very memorable!



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