



# Emerging Forestry Leadership

A global summit for student leaders & young scholars in Asia-Pacific region



In Asia-Pacific region

- Lack of network and young fore
- Growing need cultivating futu
- Opportunities for researches and
- Enhance mentor sustainable forest industry

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Forestry Conference for Students by Students

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**Forestry leaders**  
student research symposium 2014



University of British Columbia, we are pleased to invite you to Vancouver for the Future Forestry Leaders symposium from  
ize students at post-secondary institutions across British Columbia, and from the University of Washington. The symposium will  
seminar on February 18. We are also planning to host a networking evening on February 17 to connect students with professionals in

# Missions

*The “POPLAR” Approach:*

- P**repare future forestry leaders in research institutes, government, and forest industries
- O**ffer networking opportunities to connect young researchers and leaders within AP region
- P**rovide funding and support for innovative research and technology
- L**ink excellent individuals with scientists and industrial professionals
- A**dapt network vision to the changing needs of forest management from younger generations
- R**ecruit interested individuals to APFNet network and joint business and universities

# Topics

- Future forestry--- a sunrise business (Innovative forestry)
- Community forestry and livelihoods
- Forests, carbon and climate change
- Urban Forestry and health
- Technology and innovation in the forest sector
- Forests products, biomass and bioenergy
- Forest biodiversity and ecosystem services
- Forests and water resources
- Forest economics and policy
- Forestry education
- .....

# GLOBAL SELECTION

Promote Youth summit global through government, business, university, research institute and NGO

- ✓ Select the best candidates/projects through competition
- ✓ Establish “Shark Pool”- leaders, entrepreneurs and leading scientists
- ✓ Develop the summit funding and award mechanism

# Inspiration



TED Talks -- Shubendu Sharma: How to grow a tiny forest anywhere

**TED** Ideas worth spreading



The Shark Tank show



# Key Activities

## Showcase



Presentation - Pecha Kucha 20x20 (6mins)  
Q&A with the audience (4mins)



Proposal to the "Sharks" (2mins)  
Negotiation & Feedbacks(6mins)



Offers from the "Sharks" include knowledge, technology, or financial support, such as:  
Providing free consultation on project;  
Sharing research labs and networks;  
Offering scholarships or funding

# Key Activities



BIG idea demo  
Networking, and  
Future Careers

- Introduction of professionals
- Ice breaker activities
- Sharing opportunities & opinions

# Key Activities: workshops & field trips

## Workshops: professional development

- Scientific writing training;
- How to negotiate;
- Presentation skills

## Field Trips: exploring forestry in AP region

- Depending on the location of the venues;
- Great opportunity for participants to explore natural resources in the region,
- meet with local communicates, and enjoy the recreational value of the forest



# Financial Support

**Travel Funding** (for summit presenters):  
covers: airfare, accommodations, and meals

**Awards** (based on the performance during the summit):

- Research funding
- field work travel awards
- regional/international conference awards

**Scholarships** (long-term tuition support)

- top 2 outstanding individuals
- 2-3 years tuition support
- help pursue/complete postgraduate degrees or post-doc experiences

# Work in progress...

- Form summit planning committee;
- Decide dates and location for the summit;
- Spread the word (e.g. social media, promotion via international conferences, mailing list at partner universities/institutes);
- Collect proposals/presentations;
- Recruit experts (“sharks”) for review and select excellent applicants, and join the panel during the event;
- Process travel funds and scholarships;
- ...