Call for papers
ANZIF Conference 2007

The IFA will host the joint Australian and New Zealand Institute of Forestry conference in 2007.

The conference will be held at the Opal Cove Resort, Coffs Harbour, NSW, Australia from 3 - 7 June, 2007. The theme of the conference is ‘Growing Forest Values’. The conference will challenge delegates to recognize and question the leading role that professional foresters play to a widening range of organizations and communities with different objectives. From private forestry including managed investment schemes for plantations, to government forestry, forest regulation, conservation management, forestry education and research - all benefit from active and progressive involvement by professional foresters.

The Conference Committee has prepared a draft program and is now calling for abstracts.

Although other topics for papers would be considered the conference session themes are:

- Climate change, Resource security, Trees for the future - genetics and tree breeding, Fire management - what has changed?, Wood versus the alternatives, Certification - Does it deliver measurable benefits, what is the state of play?, Environmental Management Systems, Future markets and products from trees, including energy, Foresters at work - opportunities in Australia and New Zealand, achieving a gender balance in the profession
- Managing the forests/community interface - sharing decisions on water use conflict, rural residential interface, conflicts with planning instruments, pest and weed management. Measuring and reporting performance - triple bottom line accounting, Management for wildlife - application of silviculture to achieve biodiversity, Forest conservation - lock it up and leave it versus managing for it, Ethics - maintaining our standards, counters to ‘voodoo science’, Legislation and regulation is it delivering outcomes or just prescriptions?, Commercialisation of forest values - carbon, conservation, biodiversity credits, Forestry investments - Global companies and motivations for investment in New Zealand/Australian forests.

Submissions may be made with an Abstract (200 and 400 words) preferably in electronic format. Please indicate whether your Abstract is for an oral or poster presentation.

Come and be part of the largest gathering of professional foresters that will occur in the next four years. Deadline for Abstracts will be 3 October 2006.

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