

IUFRO

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Forest Research Organizations

The Global Network for Forest Science Cooperation

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ABOUT IUFRO

- IUFRO is the only **network with a global scope** for cooperation in forest science.
- The IUFRO network unites more than **15,000 scientists** in about **650 Member Organizations** in **126 countries**.
- IUFRO is a member of the **International Council for Science (ICSU)** and cooperates with scientific networks in related fields.



FROM A RECENT SURVEY:

Please describe your **perception of IUFRO** in 3-5 words:

Active Respect Meetings Wide Useful Level
Cooperation Forum Organization
Great Platform **Global** Connected **Forest**
Inclusive **Network** Opportunities
Research New Projects **Science** Cross
Collaboration Representative **IUFRO** Bringing
Professional Supportive **Relevant Knowledge**

IUFRO's MISSION

IUFRO advances **research excellence** and **knowledge sharing**, and fosters development of **science-based solutions** to forest-related challenges for the benefit of forests and people worldwide.



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HOW DOES IUFRO WORK?

- IUFRO provides a **global structure** for voluntary science collaboration related to forests and trees, consisting of more than **280 scientific units**.
- This structure covers a broad range of issues of international importance and allows IUFRO to **draw from expertise of a global network** in a **flexible** manner.
- IUFRO places particular emphasis on advancing **inter-disciplinary collaboration** and on **knowledge sharing**.

DIVISIONS

Nine permanent **Divisions** cover key forest research fields.

D1	Silviculture
D2	Physiology and Genetics
D3	Forest Operations Engineering and Management
D4	Forest Assessment, Modelling and Management
D5	Forest Products
D6	Social Aspects of Forests and Forestry
D7	Forest Health
D8	Forest Environment
D9	Forest Policy and Economics

TASK FORCES

Established on a temporary basis for interdisciplinary cooperation in specific research fields:

- Contribution of **Biodiversity** to Ecosystem Services in Managed Forests
- Sustainable **Planted Forests** for a Greener Future
- Sustainable Forest **Biomass** Network
- Forest Adaptation and **Restoration** under Global Change
- **Climate Change** and **Forest Health**
- Forests and **Biological Invasions**
- Forests, **Soil and Water** Interactions
- **Resources for the Future**: Transformation in Forest Use
- **Foresight** for Forest Sector Planning
- Forest **Education** (joint IUFRO/IFSA Task Force)

PRIORITY THEMES

IUFRO addresses key global challenges of **sustainable development**. The following themes guide the work in the strategy period 2015-2019:

- **Forests for People**
- **Forests and Climate Change**
- **Forests and Forest-based Products for a Greener Future**
- **Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services and Biological Invasions**
- **Forest, Soil and Water Interactions**



SCIENCE-POLICY INTERFACE

IUFRO continuously interacts with key global partners in order to:

- **Effectively identify** and respond to **knowledge requirements** of decision makers and stakeholders, and
- As “honest broker”, provide them with **robust scientific evidence and options for effective action**

As such, IUFRO also plays an important role in **shaping international policies** related to forests and sustainable development.



OUR GLOBAL PARTNERS

Inter-governmental Processes and Organizations

- United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF)
- UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
- UN Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- **International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)**

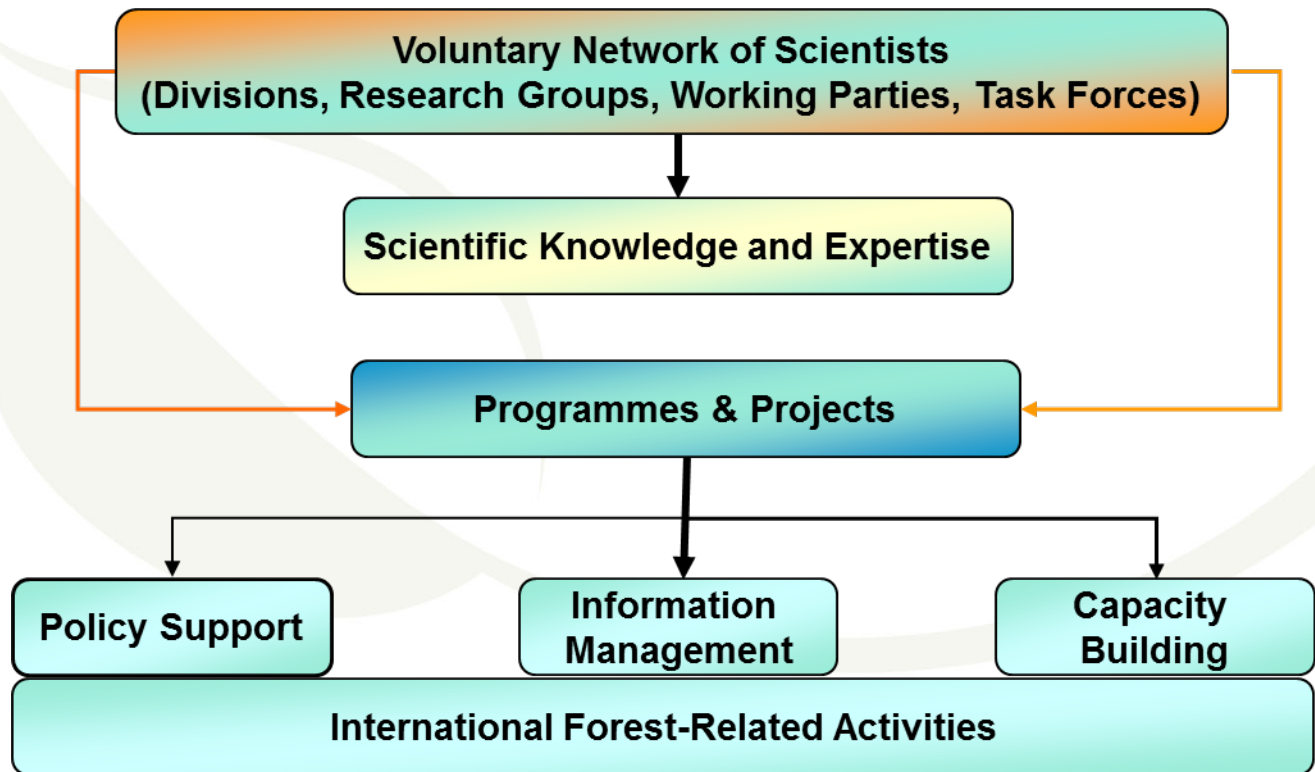
International Partnerships and Initiatives

- Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF)
- Collaborative Partnership on Wildlife Management (CPW)
- Global Partnership on Forest and Landscape Restoration (GPFLR), and others.

IUFRO'S PROGRAMMATIC WORK

IUFRO Special Programmes, Projects and Initiatives

Established to coordinate IUFRO's policy support, information management and capacity development activities



SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CAPACITIES (SPDC)

“To expand and foster forest research capacity in economically disadvantaged countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America”



IUFRO's Thematic Networking Projects

Regional Networking:

- **Water Governance and Climate Change in Latin America** (with 10 partners in 3 countries)

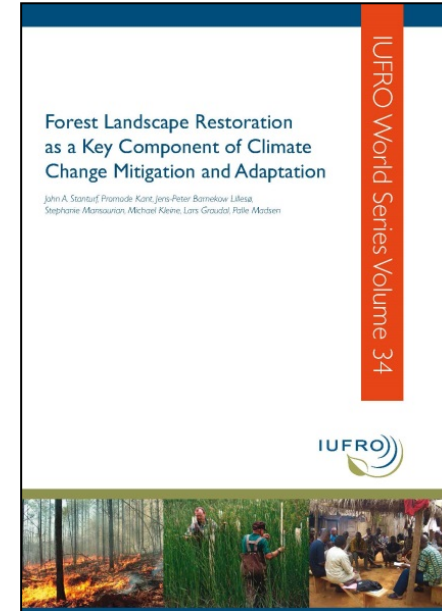
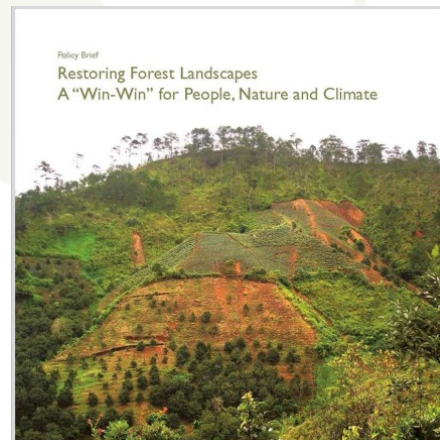


- **Reducing Deforestation and Forest Degradation in West/Central Africa** (ITTO with >10 partners in 4 countries)



- **Forest Landscape Restoration** (global FLR support project with IUCN, WRI, FAO)

- **Global Study on Teak** (ITTO, FAO, Teaknet)



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The Global Teak Support Program (GTSP)

“Adressing Current Challenges of Natural and Planted Teak Forests”



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