



IUFRO working group sponsors:

Unit 2.02.20 - Breeding and genetic resources of Southern Pines

Unit 2.02.05 - Breeding and genetic resources of Pacific Northwest conifers

Unit 2.04.02 - Breeding theory and progeny testing

Unit 2.04.06 - Molecular biology of forest trees

Dear friends and colleagues

We are pleased to announce an upcoming IUFRO Division 2 (Physiology and Genetics) conference in Rotorua, New Zealand.

"Forest Genetics for Productivity"

The conference will be held at the Rotorua Energy Events Centre, Rotorua, NEW ZEALAND from 14-18 March 2016.

Provisional research topics included in the conference are:

- Breeding and genetics for productive and resilient forests
- Genotype x environment x silviculture for productivity and quality
- Phenotyping (including LiDAR) and genotyping
- Integrating quantitative genetics, genomics and phenomics.

Field trips will also be included in the programme.

A post-conference tour to the South Island, as well as partner tours, will be available.

The conference will be led by an international scientific committee comprising: Christine Dean, Weyerhaeuser, USA
Dario Grattapaglia, Embrapa, Brazil
Antoine Kremer, INRA, France
Alvin Yanchuk, Ministry of Forest and Range, Canada
Peter Clinton, Scion, New Zealand
Heidi Dungey, Scion, New Zealand

Who should attend?

Anyone who is interested in maximising productivity in their planted forests should consider attending, including: molecular and quantitative geneticists, silviculturalists interested in maximising the effect of silviculture and genetics, forest managers and forest practitioners interested in understanding the international trends in this area; and anyone interested in the application of new technologies, particular genomics and remote sensing to genetics and tree breeding.

Enquiries

If you have any questions or comments about the conference plans or the submission of a session proposal, please contact Emily Telfer or Lynn Bulman (Co-Chairs of the Organising Committee)

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Join the mailing list for further information

Conference newsletters will be issued over the next 12 months. Join the mailing list by emailing lynn.bulman@scionresearch.com with "Conference mail list" in the subject line. A conference website is under construction.