



Invitation to [submit an abstract](#) for the

## 1<sup>st</sup>FOREBIOM Biochar Workshop

to be held in Vienna 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> April, 2013 at the Austrian Academy of Sciences.

The workshop addresses the potentials of biochar utilization to mitigate climate change. Using biochar as a soil amendment can enhance carbon sequestration. The conversion of excess process-heat to electricity or direct heat utilization, together with the potential utilization of bio-oil has the potential to substitute fossil fuels.

The first FOREBIOM workshop, organized back-to-back with the [European Geosciences Union General Assembly \(7th - 12. April 2013\)](#) aims at gathering the ongoing research on biochar for energy and as soil amendment to improve the soil properties and highlights the need for further research in this field. Current research is presented by internationally recognized researchers from leading institutions (UK biochar research center, GFZ Potsdam, IIASA, AIT...).

The first day is devoted to four sessions with keynotes and presentations covering the tree sections of the FOREBIOM project, namely:

- Session I: Forest Biomass resources for biochar production
- Session II: Biomass pyrolysis
- Session III: Biochar as soil amendment

On the second day the areas of increased need for further research will be identified

- Session IV: FOREBIOM Workshop

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS - Deadline 18 March 2013

Please register (**free of charge!**) and submit the abstract using the online [registration](#) form and the [abstract submission template](#).

Your registration is complete once you receive a confirmation from the organizing secretariat.

### PRESENTATION SUBMISSION & POSTER FORMAT DETAILS

If your contribution was scheduled as an oral presentation, you are asked to submit it in PowerPoint or PDF format no later than 1st of April, 2013.

In case your contribution was scheduled as poster presentation, you are required to set the poster up during the registration period (04.04.2013, 08:30-09:00). The format is A0 portrait and poster boards as well as fixing materials will be provided.

### Venue & Fees

[Austrian Academy of Sciences](#)  
[Dr. Ignaz Seipel-Platz 2, 1010 Vienna](#)

The conference registration is free of charge.

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