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Subject: Support for the scientific-expert conference „Climate change and new challenges in the production of high quality and well adapted forest reproductive material“, December 3rd & 4th 2019, Jastrebarsko, Croatia

Dear Mr. Buck,

The Croatian Forest Research Institute (CFRI) celebrates the 60th anniversary of organised forest seed science in Croatia. On the occasion of the anniversary, CFRI organizes a scientific - expert conference with international participation "Climate change and new challenges in the production of high quality and well adapted forest reproductive material". The conference will be held on December 3rd & 4th, 2019 in Jastrebarsko, Croatia.

The seeds are a very important factor in ensuring the sustainability of forest ecosystem management. The seeds contain the genetic material for future generations. The use of genetically high quality and well adapted forest reproduction material to the site conditions is important for successful forest management. For these reasons, it is necessary to align seed production, processing, storage, testing, certification, quality control, marketing, distribution and the policy with today's forest management needs.

The conference will provide a valuable contribution to the multidisciplinary look at seed science and connection of wide circle of scientists from the field of biotechnical sciences. It will facilitate the discussion and gathering of new ideas and scientific knowledge as well as the promotion of seed science in a professional and scientific sense.

We would be honoured to receive The Conference support by Further IUFRO Scientific Divisions: Division1 (*Silviculture*), Division 2 (*Physiology and Genetics*) and Division 8 (*Forest Environment*).

Sincerely,

Director General:

Dr. sc. Sanja Perić

