

# EFICEEC-EFISEE network announcements



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## 1. Call for Presentations - EFI Young Scientists Session: "Building the future"

Networking session in connection with the EFI 2014 Annual Conference  
Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 17:15-19:00

Networking and international experience are important components in the development of career of early stage researcher, and EFI network offers a good platform to connect young European forest scientists among themselves as well as with senior scientists. EFI's Strategy and Business plans recognise capacity building as one of its strategic goals.

EFI is in the process of developing new instruments to support a new generation of forest scientists in Europe who can better address emerging scientific challenges and policy questions. Summer schools and Short Scientific Visits will be part of EFI portfolio. In addition, a specific young scientist session will be organised within each EFI Annual Conference to provide an opportunity to the new generation of forest scientists to present their work to EFI Network. The first session will take place during the 2014 Annual Conference in Bilbao on 10 September 2014.

The session will provide young scientists with an opportunity to present their ongoing contributions to forest research. 5 young scientists will be selected according to the scientific innovation, policy relevance and interdisciplinary nature of the work. All accepted applicants will have an opportunity to display their posters in the Young Scientists Session on 10 September 2014 while the 5 winning scientists are invited to give an oral presentation of their work to the EFI Network in this session.

**Targeted presenters:** Young scientist who has completed a PhD in one of EFI's member organisation in less than 3 years before the EFI Annual Conference 2014.

**Research focus:** We will encourage young scientist who has during their PhD addressed one or more of the following issues:

- Cross-sectoral nature of the forest-based sector
- Policy questions (to which policies your research is related to)
- European or regional research scope
- Interdisciplinary research approaches

Specifications for application are available here.

**EFI and its Regional Offices provide financial support** for 5 winning applicants: 500 Euros

**Submission:** by 2 May 2014 to the mailbox AC2014(at)efi.int

\*For more information please visit:

[http://www.efi.int/portal/members/annual\\_conferences/2014/programme/wednesday\\_10\\_september/networking\\_session\\_with\\_young\\_scientists/](http://www.efi.int/portal/members/annual_conferences/2014/programme/wednesday_10_september/networking_session_with_young_scientists/)



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## 2. PhD Course on “International Forestry and Global Issues”, 19 – 23 May 2014, Champenoux and Nancy, France

The third edition of the PhD School on “International Forestry and Global Issues” (IFGI) will be held in Champenoux and Nancy, the French capital of forest research and education, from 19 to 23 May 2014.

During one week, IFGI 2014 will address a range of forest issues, topics which rank high on the international and national forest and environmental research and policy agendas. The course will offer PhD students and young researchers an excellent opportunity to interact with internationally renowned experts from forest science and policy.

Applications for the course already opened: All interested candidates should fill in the online [application form](#) by **March 14<sup>th</sup>** and include a motivation letter in which they indicate the topic(s) of the course week that would be of highest relevance to their on-going research, and what they would like to get out of their participation.

There are neither registration nor tuition fees. However, the organising committee will not cover travel and accommodation costs. The course will be held entirely in English language. Knowledge of French language is not a prerequisite.

### Tentative Programme:

- State of the World’s forests and overview of international policy
  - State of the World's forests
  - Novel approaches in global forest governance
- Production, trade and consumption of wood products in the bioeconomy
  - Production, trade and consumption patterns of forest products
  - Trade as leverage to improving forest governance world-wide
- Climate change and carbon sequestration
  - An overview of the climate change impacts on forests
  - The latest change policy developments with a scope on forests
- Forest Ecosystem Services
  - Payments for Ecosystem Services (PES) or how ecosystem protection and economics can go hand-in-hand
  - How one ecosystem service does not need to exclude another: experiences of the INTEGRATE project
- Regional development, forestry and society
  - Rural regions and visions on forestry: experiences from the RoK-FOR
  - Innovation in forest wood chain and regional development

Follow up the programme updates and find out more information on the course website at <http://colloque4.inra.fr/globalforestrycourse>



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## 3. PhD and MSc positions at the University of Lisbon

The Department of Natural Resources and the Environment of the School of Agriculture of the University of Lisbon welcomes applications to 1 scholarship for a PhD holder and 2 scholarships for MSc holders. The focus of the research is on forest resources management planning.

Details about the positions may be checked at:

<http://www.isa.ulisboa.pt/vida-no-isa/destaques/concursos-bolsas-premios-outros/20140214-call-of-applications-for-a-phd-scholarship> - this is a \*Post Doc scholarship\* and not a PhD scholarship

<http://www.isa.ulisboa.pt/vida-no-isa/destaques/concursos-bolsas-premios-outros/20140214-call-of-applications-to-a-scholarship-for-master-of-science-holder>

<http://www.isa.ulisboa.pt/vida-no-isa/destaques/concursos-bolsas-premios-outros/20140214-call-of-applications-to-a-scholarship-for-master-of-science-holder-2>

**Applications should be submitted in the period from February 17 to March 7, 2014.** The application materials should include a curriculum vitae, a copy of the degree certificate, a motivation letter, and two letters of recommendation.

\*The applications should be submitted by email to the Forest Research Centre For Change secretariat at: [forchange@isa.ulisboa.pt](mailto:forchange@isa.ulisboa.pt).





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## 4. COST Training School - Silviculture of coppice beech forests - from traditional forest management to conversion in high forest, 01.07.2014 – 06.07.2014 (COST ACTION FP 1301 EuroCoppice)

### Background

Using wood as a source for energy has a long tradition. During the last decades also the industrial countries rediscovered wood from forests for energy as an economical energy source alternative. The production goals of a forest influence the type of forest management. Particularly the production of firewood, which was the main product of forests for millennia, is linked to special forms of silviculture concepts. Coppice and coppice with standards are traditional management concepts that are still widely distributed in some European countries. At present, modern forms of biomass production with short rotation plantations of fast growing tree species are increasingly important.

This course focuses on how to establish and manage coppice stands considering economical and ecological aspects.

### Objectives and Learning Outcomes:

- To provide knowledge about traditional forest management systems, history, current importance and future perspectives of coppice forests.
- Demonstrate different silviculture systems for coppices and analyse benefits and disadvantages.
- Train student in applying forest management concepts in order to improve coppice of European beech.
- To get basic information on history, forest management techniques and surface of coppice forests in Europe and Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- To optimize sample size for assessment of ecological, silvicultural and productive characteristics of these forests.
- To learn how to assess the basic silvicultural and production indicators and to optimize forest management models for coppice forests.
- To analyze inventory data and make an assessment of available biomass that can be utilized by applying sustainable forest management practices in certain coppice forests categories.

\*More information find in **attached pdf-file**.



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## 5. VUA Summer School 2014 “Sustainable Development and Water Management”, Nitra (Slovakia) and Hamburg (Germany), 23 June – 6 July 2014 – Students and Teachers wanted!

The Summer school will take place in Nitra (Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Slovakia) and Hamburg (Hamburg University of Applied Science, Germany) in the period of June 23 – July 6, 2014.

If you are a **student** interested in the summer school, send your application form to [vladislav.valach\(at\)uniag.sk](mailto:vladislav.valach@uniag.sk) by **March 15, 2014**.

The registration fee for each participant is 500 EUR for a VUA member and 600 EUR for a non VUA member (excluding travel costs to and from the summer school). The programme of the summer school will be available in March 2014.

Are you a teacher? Send us your application indicating the topic you are able to teach in English and/or Russian (4 hour lecture). Do not forget to let us know which module you want to take part in (Nitra-lectures in English and Russian or Hamburg- lectures in English). The registration fee for teachers is fully covered by VUA (excluding travel costs to and from the summer school).

It is expected that approximately 30 students and 5 teachers will take part in the summer school. Due to the limited availability, the quality of applicants and the contribution of the lecture topic to the summer school will be considered.

\*On the web page <https://www.facebook.com/EURUS.AGRI> you find all important information, event development and deadlines!

<http://www.uniag.sk/en/announcements-reader/items/vua-summer-school-2014-sustainable-development-and-water-management/>



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## 6. EnvEuro MSc programme – application deadline 1 April 2014 for EU students

The EnvEuro MSc programme is a two-year MSc programme in Environmental Science featuring six different specialisations: Water Resources, Soil Resources and Land Use, Ecosystems and Biodiversity, Environmental Impacts, Environmental Management and Climate Change.

The EnvEuro MSc programme focuses on European and global environmental problems and solutions, and gives you the best of Environmental Science from four leading European universities: University of Copenhagen in Denmark, University of Hohenheim in Germany, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences in Sweden, and University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences in Vienna, Austria.

The programme starts on Sunday the 24th of August 2014 with a five-day introduction course in Copenhagen.

**The application deadline for EU/EEA and Swiss citizens is the 1st of April 2014.** To apply for the EnvEuro MSc programme please follow the instructions at: [http://enveuro.eu/application-and-study-office/application/application\\_eu-eea-swiss/](http://enveuro.eu/application-and-study-office/application/application_eu-eea-swiss/)

\*For more information about the EnvEuro MSc programme and how to apply visit our homepage at [www.enveuro.eu](http://www.enveuro.eu).

\*Check out this Youtube video from the EnvEuro Intro Course: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rgfl8Bl4q2Y>

\*Join the EnvEuro group on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/enveuro/>

\*If you have any questions you are very welcome to contact the EnvEuro Secretariat via e-mail: [enveuro\(at\)life.ku.dk](mailto:enveuro(at)life.ku.dk).



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## 7. Conference " Partnerships for Innovation and Socio-Economic Impact: The Entrepreneurial University", 19. + 20. March in Stockholm

The forum will be structured around the following four themes:

- Partnerships for Growth in Europe
- Knowledge Clusters: the Development of Successful Innovation Ecosystems
- Multi-disciplinarity and Multi-layer Innovation
- Inspiring Pathways for Moving Forward

The programme includes a study visit to the EIT ICT Labs, to STING Stockholm Innovation and Growth and to other facilities. In addition, a hands-on workshop (20 March) is offered on HEInnovate, a new online self-assessment tool launched by the European Commission in collaboration with the OECD for higher education institutions interested in developing their entrepreneurial potential and capacities.

\*The provisional programme and practical information are available at the website <http://ubforum-sweden.teamwork.fr> (Password: NPEC).





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## 8. Open post: Junior Researcher at the EFIMED Office, Barcelona, Spain

EFIMED is seeking a Junior Researcher in Natural Resource Management.

The European Forest Institute (EFI) is an international organisation established by European States. EFIMED – Mediterranean Regional Office of EFI - aims to coordinate and promote research and networking on Mediterranean forests, forestry and forest products.

EFIMED promotes and conducts research, policy advice and networking activities as well as capacity building on key scientific priorities within the scope of the Mediterranean Forest Research Agenda (MFRA).

EFIMED is seeking a Junior Researcher in Natural Resource Management. Experience in participatory processes and / or knowledge of watershed management would be an advantage. The working language of the Institute is English.

Tasks and responsibilities:

The Junior Researcher will be integrated into the EFIMED team and will provide support for research and networking activities. In particular:

- Support in the identification of water challenges under global change in selected catchments
- Conduct economic valuation and cost-efficiency analysis of different resource management options, under the supervision of a senior researcher
- Support in the development of innovative solutions for natural resource management (water, forests...)
- Assistance in EFIMED initiatives to increment research outreach and to facilitate the science-policy interface, including contributions to EFIMED communication tools.
- Support in capacity building activities
- Support in project administration (project proposals, financial issues, reporting, communication with partners, intranet development)

\*Interested candidates are requested to apply online by **28 February 2014**, through EFI website: [http://www.efi.int/portal/careers/open\\_jobs/?bid=1496](http://www.efi.int/portal/careers/open_jobs/?bid=1496)

## 9. CAES Assistant Scientist (arboriculture, urban forestry) position

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