Science Policy Forum for Africa and Europe at the IUFRO World Day

Forest-based Bioeconomy for All: Opportunities and Challenges

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This science-policy forum will explore opportunities and challenges of a bioeconomy based on forest and tree resources including Non-Wood & Timber Forest Products from a political and a scientific perspective.

The panel discussion will share more on emerging questions on economic, ecological and social consequences in the development of bioeconomies and the role of science/science-policy interface, policy instruments, safeguards, that would secure a reasonable balance between its advantages and disadvantages to the forest sector and impact on climate change.

The science-policy forum will consist of a keynote speech (20 minutes) followed by panellist (each 3 minutes) and thereafter an open panel discussion for approximately 50 minutes.

The panel will consist of Scientists, private sector representatives and decision makers from the African continent and Europe.
SPEAKERS

Elvis Paul Nfor Tanguem, Coordinator, Great Green Wall Initiative of the African Union Commission

Marie Louise Avana-Tientcheu, PhD, Senior Programme Officer at the African Forest Forum

Julius Chupezi TIEGUHONG, Chief Forestry Officer of the African Development Bank

Prof. Daniel Ofori, Director of FORIG/CSIR

Dr. Eva Müller, Director General for Forests, Sustainability and Renewable Resources of the German Federal Ministry for Food and Agriculture (BMEL, Germany)

Dr. Helga Pülzl, Assistant Director for Policy Support at the European Forest Institute (EFI) and IUFRO Working Party Coordinator 9.05.01

Dr. Carsten Smith-Hall, Professor at the Department of Food and Resource Economics at the University of Copenhagen and Deputy coordinator of the IURO Task Force “Unlocking the Bioeconomy and Non-Timber Forest Products”