ToS Boreal Forests – IBFRA Cooperation
– IBFRA Insight Process - update
– IBFRA 2021 Conference - upcoming

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(Virtual) ToS Boreal Forests Meeting, 23 June 2021, 15:00-18:00 CET
IBFRA Insight Process – STATUS-QUO?

1st IBFRA Insight Topic:

Sustainable boreal forest management
– challenges and opportunities for climate change mitigation -
It will address climate change impacts, role of forests in mitigating climate change and the ways in which the forest sector can contribute to net negative emissions.

Kick-Off at Skogens Dag 2019, 23 January, Stockholm, Sweden

Funding under the framework of the National Swedish Forest Programme:

To strengthen strategic collaboration on boreal forests in science-policy interface
Collaboration: Swedish Forest Agency, Future Forests at SLU, IBFRA.
The project funding from both SFA and SLU.

Commissioned upon a request dated 2018-06-26 by ministers for forests and their high-level representatives from Canada, Finland, Norway, Sweden, the Russian Federation and the United States of America to enhance science-policy linkages and knowledge exchange on circumboreal issues.
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- Version submitted for independent review to IBFRA secretariate April 2021: 27 international co-authors/experts from US, Canada, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Int.Org. (IIASA)
- Sent out for review April 2021
- 8 independent reviews received from experts from US/CAN/Sweden/Finland/Russia in May 2021
- Review comments provided to Author(s) May 2021
- First revised version by first author P. Högberg circulated to all authors June 2021
- Scientific consensus by all co-authors by August 2021
- 1st public presentation on the report at the IBFRA 2021 Conference 16-20 August 2021
- Providing the report to ToS for feedback on policy issues wrt the report findings by end of August 2021
- Entering editorial processes with publishing entity/-house
- Online/hard copy launch tbd
- Follow-up scientific publications deriving from the report
Changing Boreal Biome

Identifying emerging trajectories and assessing vulnerability and resilience of boreal ecosystems and their socio-economical implications.

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August 16-20 2021, Fully Virtual

Due to the continued uncertainties created by the pandemic, we have made the decision, like many other events in 2021, to move the IBFRA 2021 Conference to an entirely online format. The dates for the conference remain unchanged, August 16-20, 2021. This decision was made to prioritize the health and safety of attendees. The list of the sessions also remain unchanged, but please note that the deadline for abstract submission has been postponed to February 22nd 2021.

Abstract submission and registration are open!

See you all @ the 2021 IBFRA Conference

More info: https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/ibfra2021/home-page

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