# SHAPE YOUR SUSTAINABILITY TOOLS

# - and let your tools shape you

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Join researchers, policy makers and practitioners from all over the world in the discussion of Sustainability Impact Assessment of the Forest-based and related sectors. Around the globe, tools for analyzing sustainability are being developed to help us make better choices. One of them is ToSIA - Tool for Sustainability Impact Assessment—the product of EFORWOOD.



### **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

Abstracts of volunteered papers and posters need to be received by the EFORWOOD Administration Office by **30<sup>th</sup> April 2009**. E-mail your abstract to gunilla.rodfors@skogforsk.se or mail it to Gunilla Rodfors, Skogforsk, Uppsala Science Park, SE-751 83 Uppsala, Sweden. Abstracts should be no longer than 400 words.

All presentations will be evaluated and assigned by the scientific committee to one of two formats:

**Oral/Workshop** | Oral presentation of research, evaluation, policy or practice with the emphasis on drawing out lessons for others and involving participants in engaging with your findings.

**Poster** | Posters will be displayed throughout the conference; there will be an assigned programme session specifically for participant discussion with poster presenters.







#### **REFEREEING PROCESS**

Each abstract will be reviewed for acceptance at the conference against the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference themes and sub-themes
- Clarity and coherence
- Reflection and evaluation of relevant research, practice and/or policy
- Contribution to enhanced understanding of the conference themes



#### **ACCEPTANCE OF ABSTRACT**

You will be advised as to whether or not your abstract has been accepted by 15<sup>th</sup> June 2009. The scientific committee will assign submissions to either oral/workshop or poster format presentation, in the light of overall constraints on the programme schedule.

#### Scientific committee

Piotr Paschalis - Jakubowicz (Chairperson), Warsaw Agricultural University (PL) Margareta Wihersaari, Technical Research Centre of Finland (FI) Margarida Tomé, Instituto Superior de Agronomia (PT) Bo Jellesmark Thorsen, University of Copenhagen (DK) Barry Gardiner, Forest Research (UK)

#### **PUBLICATION**

Abstracts, regardless of presentation format, will be published in the online conference proceedings.

Contributions to the conference will be invited for publication in a special issue of a leading European Research Journal in the sector.







#### **Keynote presentations**

- The policy expectations of SIA. An EU perspective. Speaker: To be confirmed.
- Sustainability of the Forest-based Sector in the 21st century. Industry expectations Speaker: To be confirmed.
- Concepts and Challenges of Sustainability Assessment. Speaker: Dr. Roger Sedjo, Resources for the Future (RFF), Washington, USA.
- Criteria and Indicators for Assessing Sustainability of the Forestry-wood Chain. Speaker: To be confirmed.



## **CONFERENCE THEMES**

#### THEME 1 | SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT IN A KNOWLEDGE-BASED BIO-ECONOMY

Contributions should address SIA across all or parts of a sector, e.g. forestry or agriculture. Papers that focus on methodological approaches, tools, generic questions and issues of definition and policy relevance, with applied illustrative examples, are preferred.

#### THEME 2 | METHODS FOR EVALUATION OF SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT FROM PROCESS TO SECTOR LEVEL

Presentations should address the issues of how to evaluate multidimensional Sustainability Impacts of e.g. policies. Presentations may discuss and apply methods like Cost Benefit Analyses, Multi Criteria Analyses or other alternative methods to sectors like the forest-based sector and agriculture.

# THEME 3 | CASE STUDY APPLICATIONS IN SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Case studies applying SIA-methods and/or evaluation tools to cases of a general interest. Case studies may address specific issues and focus on process level, parts of or entire sectors or regions. Contributions may also address specific topics, e.g. environmental issues, socio-economic aspects or technological aspects.

# THEME 4 | THE GREENHOUSE GAS BALANCE OF THE FOREST-BASED SECTOR

Presentations should address the issue of reliable GHG modelling, the application of such analyses and models and also the socio-economic and policy relevance and impacts of results etc. Experiences from the forest based sector as well as related sectors are welcome.

#### THEME 5 | SCENARIO ANALYSIS OF THE FOREST-BASED SECTOR AND PARTS THEREOF

Presentations should address the implications of potential future scenarios. Such scenarios may concern the availability and demand for round-wood or other forest goods and services. They may also relate to policy developments like REDD, NATURA2000 or other drivers that may cause large scale changes in the Forest-based Sector.

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