

Digital ALPTREES Conference

February 25th and 26th, 2021

The first digital conference *on the Sustainable Use and Management of Non-Native Trees in Urban, Peri-Urban, and Forest Ecosystems in the Alpine Region* will take place on February 25th and 26th 2021, online via Zoom.

Registration - Please register here for the conference: <https://forms.gle/xGhmXrnXPYZ3Hxp7>

The ALPTREES Conference Program

The LINK to the ZOOM conference Room will be send to the registered participants!

DAY 1 - 25th of February

Plenary session with Keynote Presentations & Discussion

Chairs: Katharina Lapin (BFW, Austria) + Florian Kraxner (IIASA, Austria)

10:00 - *Welcome* // Peter Mayer, Director of the Austrian Research Centre for Forests

10:15 - *Mountain forests: A priority for the Alpine Convention* // Wolfger Mayrhofer, Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention

10:40 - *Tree species to keep up with climate change comparatively tested in 57 plantations in Switzerland* // Thomas Wohlgemuth, Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research WSL

11:00 - *Assisted migration of tree species and seed provenances as means to improve forest resilience in climate change* // Silvio Schueler, Austrian Research Centre for Forests

11:15 - *Awareness raising and participation of citizen scientists in the early detection of alien species in forests* // Maarten de Groot, Slovenian Forestry Institute

11:30 – Discussion

11:30 - 12:30 Virtual Coffee Break

Join the virtual Coffee Break Lounge to talk live to other participants:

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12:30 - 14:00 Session 1 | RISKS of invasive Trees

Chair: Anja Bindewald (FVA, Germany) + Katharina Lapin (BFW, Austria)

12:30 – *Framework for site-specific risk assessment for the responsible management and use of non-native trees in European forests* // Anja Bindewald, Department of Forest Conservation, Forest Research Institute of Baden-Württemberg (FVA)

12:45 – *Testing of Site-Specific Risk Assessment methodology on non-native tree species in the pilot area of Gorenjska region (Slovenia)* // Ana Dolenc, Institute of the Republic of Slovenia for Nature Conservation

13:00 – *Fraxinus pennsylvanica Marsh. in German alluvial hardwood forests: Ecological hazard or only legal issue?* // Sebastian Dittrich, TU Dresden - FR Forstwissenschaften

13:15 – *Spread of invasive tree species – what we can learn from natural regeneration assessment?* // Marcin Dyderski, Institute of Dendrology, Polish Academy of Sciences

13:30 - *Black Cherry - impact perception and management options* // Uwe Starfinger, Julius Kühn Institut, Braunschweig, DE

13:45 – *Black Cherry (Prunus serotina), a decision tree* // Bart Nyssen, Bosgroep Zuid Nederland & KU Leuven

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15:00 - 17:00 Session 2 | MANAGEMENT of NON-NATIVE TREES

Chair: Aleksander Marinšek (SFI, Slovenia) + Sonia Abluton (LAMORO, Italy)

15:00 – *Basic Principles of Non-Native Trees Management In Forest And Urban Area* // Aleksander Marinšek, Slovenian Forestry Institute (SFI)

15:15 – *Stand-level growth and drought tolerance of Douglas fir, black pine and Atlas cedar on a dry site in western Switzerland* // Jan Geyer, FVA Baden-Württemberg, Germany

15:30 – *“Plattform klimafitter Wald” - Preparing forest owners for climate change* // Viktoria Valenta, Austrian Research Centre for Forests

15:45 – *Non-native trees wood products in the Alpine Space: A qualitative analysis of their uses and economic values* // Camila Maciel Viana, University of Life Sciences, Vienna - Institute of Marketing and Innovation

16:00 - *NNTs in Italian forests with particular attention to the situation in Italian Alpine Space* // Nicola La Porta, Centre of Research and Innovation, Fondazione Edmund Mach, Italy

16:15 – *Alien tree species in Piedmont (NW Italy): impacts and management best practices in forest* // Andrea Ebone, Istituto per la Pianta da Legno e l'Ambiente, Italy

16:30 – 16:40 *EUSALP forestry activities: fostering dialogue in view of the new European Forestry Strategy* // Gian Antonio Battistel and Christian Hoffmann, EUSALP-Task Force on "Multifunctional Forest and Sustainable Use of Timber".

DAY 2 - 26th of February

9:30 - 11:30 POLICY WORKSHOP | Developing a strategy for the sustainable use of non-native trees

Chairs: Berger Frederic (INRAE, France) + Reneema Hazarika (BFW, Austria)

9:30 - *Understanding stakeholder knowledge on risks and benefits for managing Non-Native tree species in the Alpine Space* // Reneema Hazrika (Austrian Research Centre for Forests)

9:45 - *NNT and the forest ecosystems service of natural risks prevention: the example of rockfall risk - Allies or enemies?* // Berger Frederic, INRAE

10:15 - *Multifunctional forest and EUSALP : Inputs of the French Presidency* // Antoine Patte and Benjamin Einhorn, EUSALP France

10:30 - Basic ideas of *Pseudotsuga menziesii* (Mirb.) Franco management: site index & forestry // Ignacio Diaz-Maroto, University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain

10:45 Breakout session >>Work in Groups & Discussion<<

11:10 to 11:30 – Synthesis & End

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13:00 - 14:30 Session 3 | UNDER 18 Session

Chairs: Petra Meisel + Margaret Cater

>>Discussions in groups and activities of and for under 18 citizens<<

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Plenary session with Keynote Presentations & Discussion on February 26th

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15:00 – Welcome to the afternoon plenary session!

15:05 - IUFRO - How to get connected // Andreas Schindlbacher, BFW, Austria

15:15 - Citizen science for non-native trees observation in Alpine region // Dmitry Schepaschenko, IIASA, Austria

15:40 - Leaf functional traits as bio-indicators of urban environment impact on trees // Srđan Stojnić, Institute of Lowland Forestry and Environment, University of Novi Sad, Serbia

16:00 - Can trees be used in monitoring atmospheric fine particulate? // Paula Ballikaya, WSL Swiss Federal Research Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape, CH-8903 Birmensdorf, Switzerland

16:20 - Eat the Trees - How non-native trees could diversify our food and beyond // Artur Cisar-Erlach, Austria

16:45 – Discussion

17:00 Closing

Contact persons

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