

SILVA Network annual conference

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June 26th -28th, 2017

FOREST SCIENCE EDUCATION: Forests for university education: examples and experiences

On behalf of the SILVA Network, the Faculty of Forestry and Wood Sciences at the Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague will host a conference on Forestry and Forest Science Education. The conference is co-organized by the IUFRO education group.

Tentative Programme

Monday: 26th June 2017

12:00 – 14:00 Registration [with an option for a small, light lunch; organized by the university]
14:00 – 14:30 Welcome address and opening of the Silva Conference
14:30 – 17:30 Technical Sessions I

Tuesday: 27th June 2017

8:30 – 12:00 Technical Sessions II
12:00 – 13:00 Lunch organized by university
13:00 – 16:30 Technical Sessions III
16:30 – 17:30 General assembly
18:30 Dinner

Wednesday: 28th June 2017

8:30 – 19:00 Field trip

The excursion will head to Kostelec na Černými lesy, a small town where the centre of the Prague University forest estate is located. It's about 55 km far from Prague.

Topic and call for contributions

In academic forestry education the importance to incorporate in the curricula in-forest teaching was recognized rather early. Hence, it has a long tradition and is a firm component in all forest science syllabi. From this tradition at many academic institutions the access to forests was seen as so important, that very often specific regulations for “university forests” were established. The focus of the conference in forest science education is aimed at all aspects of these forests with their special meaning for university teaching, education and sometimes also research.

Please send by E-mail an abstract of up to 300 words to M. Ziesak (martin.ziesak@bfh.ch) till May 31st, 2017. The SILVA Board will decide on contributions and all applicants will be informed as soon as possible.

Venue

The conference will be held at the Faculty of Forestry and Wood Sciences in Prague, Czech Republic. Address: Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague, Faculty of Forestry and Wood Sciences, Kamýcká 1176, 165 21 Prague 6.

Fees

The regular participation fee is 170 € (special fees for students: 100 €) which can be paid in cash at the registration. This fee includes coffee breaks, 3 lunches, a conference dinner and the field trip.

Due to the new accounting regulations in the Czech Republic payment of participation fee by bank transfer is preferred.

Details for the money transfer:

Bank name: Česká spořitelna, a.s.
Veřejný sektor - velcí klienti
Budějovická 1518/13b
Praha 4 - 140 00

Account number: 9021-6325762/0800

Remittance information / reason of payment: 439006

IBAN: CZ50 0800 0090 2100 0632 5762

SWIFT (BIC): GIBACZPXXXX

Payment by bank transfer is highly appreciated.

Registration

To register, please fill in the separate registration form.

Accommodation

Participants have to make their accommodation arrangements themselves, at own cost. The originally recommended hotel "Galaxie (Vienna)" is completely booked out, as well as hotels in the vicinity. Therefore it is recommended to arrange accommodation near to a metro station. This will greatly facilitate transportation across Prague and transport from the metro station Dejvická (line A) to the university campus (see map). There is also good public transport (bus number 107 and 147).

The hotel Don Giovanni (<http://www.hotelgiovanni.cz/en>), that is close to the metro (subway) station, line A, can be recommended. Travelling from the hotel to the metro station Dejvická takes approximately only 15-20 minutes, advantage is that is not necessary to change the metro line.

There are also other hotels situated close to this place, for example: hotel Belvedder (<http://www.hotelbelvedereprague.cz/en/>) or Parkhotel (<https://www.parkhotel-praha.cz/en/home/>), but they are not directly next to a metro station.

You can also use a booking platform such as www.booking.com, where you can find a lot of possibilities for accommodation in Prague.

Travel arrangements

Participants have to make their travel arrangements themselves, at own cost. Prague is pretty well connected by plane, train and highways. Transport from the Václav Havel Airport Prague to the university will need only about 20 minutes. It is possible to take a taxi or private transport can be arranged.

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