

CHANGING FOREST DYNAMICS IN HARSH ENVIRONMENTS



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Forest ecosystems in harsh environments are sensitive to specific limiting environmental factors, in general related to climatic conditions. Such ecosystems are therefore particularly sensitive to climate change, and their responses are early and detectable. Boreal forest ecosystems are currently undergoing a rapid warming as predicted by climatic projections, making them even more responsive to climate change.

The IUFRO Boreal and Alpine Forest Ecosystem Unit is organizing a traveling workshop in the boreal forest environment of Eastern Canada. The objective of this scientific event is to exchange and learn on the changing dynamics of this large forest biome. Topics to be covered include, but are not limited to, changes in disturbance regimes, post-disturbance recovery dynamics, trends in tree growth, landscape-level changes in structure and composition, and forest management under a changing climate. Scientific contributions on changing dynamics in other harsh environment forest ecosystems are also welcome.

The meeting will mix formal presentations, poster sessions and extensive field visits, and will be structured to promote exchanges among participants. The visits will cover sites of disturbances such as on-going insect outbreaks and recent forest fires, as well as boreal old growth and forest management sites.

Because of the traveling nature of this workshop, the number of participants will be limited. Details on the program and on the registration fees will be forthcoming. To be included in the mailing list for updates on the conference, please contact:

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