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## Congress Newsletter 01/2017

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#### Key dates

- **4 April 2016**  
Call for Session Proposals
- **15 June 2016**  
Deadline Call for Session Proposals
- **16 September 2016**  
Call for Abstracts
- **30 November 2016**  
Deadline Call for Abstracts
- **March 2017**  
Start Registration
- **June 2017**  
Deadline Early Registration
- **18–22 September 2017**  
125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Congress 2017



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#### 1) Call for Abstracts: Aftermath and revisions

The Call for Abstracts was officially closed 15. December at midnight. On afternoon, the rate of submissions climbed to almost one abstract per minute!

In the end, we received **almost 3,500 abstracts**, submitted by **about 2,800 researchers** from **110 countries**.

#### Thanks to all of you for this overwhelming response!

We are overjoyed by your tremendous interest in celebrating the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the IUFRO together with us in Freiburg.

This response underlines not only the importance and impact of IUFRO in the scientific world, but also highlights the substantial enthusiasm and eagerness of its members to contribute to a sustainable and green future.

As this congress is embedded between the World Congresses in Salt Lake City, USA (2014) and Curitiba, Brazil (2019), we initially expected about half that number of participants in Freiburg for this rather “spontaneous” event.

For us, this implies a substantial rethinking and re-planning the congress, including schedule and side events as well as logistics and infrastructure.

Our marked goal is to make this a successful and unforgettable event for as many of you as possible!

Thus, 2017 will be a very busy and very exciting year here in the organization office and for the affiliated NFZ officeholders and organizers.

**We are looking forward to a creative and buzzing time and hope to have an extraordinary celebration for you in September!**

## 2) Current Congress Schedule

In order to allow a maximum participation of presenters, we have extended the congress by one more day.

The main congress program will thus be scheduled from **Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> September through to Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September**.

Beforehand, the NFZ partners are organizing several **summer schools** and **side events**

in France, Switzerland and Germany.

On Saturday and Sunday after the congress, you can gain insights in the vast research topics of the NFZ partners and surrounding institutions by joining one of the **more than 30 excursions** planned.

For more information on the current schedule see: [iufro2017.com](http://iufro2017.com)

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## 3) First Bronze Sponsor: MDPI forests



We welcome MDPI *forests* on board as Bronze Sponsor! You will find their information stand in the main congress venue during the entire event.

In collaboration with several session organizers, MDPI *forests* has announced the following Special Issues as “Selected papers from the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress”:

- Our Future Forests and Their Products—How to Get out of the Woods

- 125 Years of Forest Inventories – Past, Present and Future
- Decision Support Approaches in Adaptive Forest Management
- Forest Operations, Engineering and Management
- Multidisciplinary Research from the Tree Health and Plant Biosecurity Initiative (THAPBI)
- Planted Forests and Climate Change
- The Role of Plant Tissue Culture Technology in Biodiversity Conservation

Find more information on these Special Issues and Submission on the webpage:

<http://www.mdpi.com/journal/forests/>



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The next issue of this newsletter will be sent in March 2017. There we will inform you about:

- Results of the Call for Abstracts
- Registration process
- Travel advices

We invite you to spread this newsletter widely among your colleagues and friends!

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