

Conference announcement

IUFRO Seed Symposium: “Recent Advances in Seed Research and *ex situ* Conservation”.

August 15-21, 2010

Taipei, Taiwan

The Taiwan Forestry Research Institute will be hosting the next International Union of Forestry Research Organization (IUFRO), Seed Physiology and Technology 2.09.03 Working Group (WG) symposium August 15-21, 2010 in Taipei, Taiwan. The symposium’s main theme will focus on the “Recent Advances in Seed Research and *ex situ* Conservation”. This symposium will provide a venue for the discussion and exchange of information on all aspects of temperate, sub-tropical and tropical tree seed sciences. We would like to encourage you to participate in this symposium as it is an excellent opportunity for the exchange of ideas. The symposium will publish proceedings, including abstracts and papers, and we encourage all participants to contribute to the proceedings.

For more information about the symposium please see (www.tfri.gov.tw/enu/about_history.aspx) or see the contacts below. This symposium is scheduled to allow for participants to attend the IUFRO World Congress “Forests for the Future; Sustaining Society and the Environment” in Seoul, Republic of Korea (August 23-28, 2010) following the seed symposium.

The Seed Physiology and Technology Working Group (WG) is an active and productive IUFRO group, providing a forum for discussion of forest tree seed problems and their solutions. It also provides a venue for the exchange of information on technical seed issues, and on tree seed physiology and development.

The WG has held meetings with various themes since 1973 in numerous countries including Japan (1976), Chalk River, Canada (1980), Vienna, Austria (1985), Raipur, India (1997), Nanjing, China (2004) and Sussex, UK (2008). The 2010 meeting will be held in Taiwan, which is a beautiful sub-tropical island with 58% of the area covered by forests. The Government of Taiwan has extended her warm welcome to host the WG’s next symposium in Taipei, Taiwan.

Sincerely,

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First Announcement

Symposium Title: IUFRO Symposium on “Recent Advances in Seed Research and *ex situ* Conservation”

Venue: Taiwan Forestry Research Institute, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC

Date: August 15-21, 2010

Program: including 10 keynote and invited papers, and voluntary papers. Post-symposium field trip to eastern part of Taiwan (Hwalian). All papers are requested to be written in English and submitted by May 31, 2010.

Registration: \$ 200 USD

Detailed program and other information will be followed in the 2nd symposium announcement.