FOURTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF FOREST RESOURCES (SIMFOR 2006) AND FIRST INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON FIRE MANAGEMENT

19 to 22 April 2006, Pinar del Río, Cuba

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

PRESENTATION
The Forest Study Center at the University of Pinar del Río, Cuba; with the sponsored of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Union of Forestry Research Organizations (IUFRO), the International Center of Forest Research (CIFOR), the Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC) and the Forest Guard (CGB), as a result of the Third International Symposium on Sustainable Management of Forest Resources hold in April 2004, invite all the forest community: professors, students, researchers and teachers from all the universities, institutes and centers, as well as other personal from forest productive and service enterprises, to participate in the Fourth Edition of this symposium (SIMFOR 2006) and First International Workshop on Fire Management.

The meeting will be held under the catchphrase: “AN EVERGREEN PRESENT FOR THE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE”.

OBJECTIVES
- Facilitate the scientific exchange among specialist, students and researchers about Forest Science, its current situation, trends and perspective for the Sustainable Management of the Forest creating a forum to present recent advances in forestry.
- Promote the development of joining projects, in terms of cooperation, among institutions.

SIMFOR TOPICS
- Sustainable Management of the Forest Ecosystems
- Genetics, Biotechnology and Conservation of the Forest Genetic Resources
- Forest Products. Marketing
- Forest Teaching
- Environment Services

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON FIRE MANAGEMENT TOPICS
- Forest Fire Prevention
- Forest Fire Suppression and Safety
- Fire Behaviour
- Fire Ecology
- Assessment and Rehabilitation of Areas
- Training and Education
- National and International Cooperation on Fire Management
INSTRUCTION FOR THE MANUSCRIPTS
The form of presentation of the paper will be done oral and written (posters). The abstracts should be sent in attach file to electronic mail fherandez@af.upr.edu.cu before the 20th February 2006. The abstract should not exceed 250 words, with 2.5 cm in all side, 1.5 interline space and using Arial size 12 points. This should include Title, Author (s), Academic/Scientific Degree, Institution, Country, email and a brief description of the study (objectives, hypothesis, methodology and results). The keywords could be 5. At end of the paper you must note the modality for your presentation (oral or poster).

The time for presentation in PowerPoint will be 30 minutes (20 for exposition and 10 for ask and answer). The paper could be problem, hypothesis, objective, methodology, results and conclusions. The format of the posters will be of 100 cm x 100 cm.

The proceedings of the Symposium will be compile in electronic format (CD) with ISBN that will be given individually at end of the meeting. The committee is requesting to all the participants for the whole manuscripts of the presentation for the 30th March 2006 by email. The format for the papers is: Word document, Arial size 12, and should not exceed the 15 pages including figures and tables. The manuscripts must include Title, Author (s), Academic/Scientific Degree, Institution, Address, Country and Abstract with 5 Keywords, Introduction including Objectives, Methodology, Result and Discussion, Conclusions, Recommendations and References.

PRICES FOR THE ACCOMMODATION UNDER THE MEETING IN CUBAN CONVERTIBLE PESOS (CUC).
At today date $ 1,00 CUC equivalent to $ 0,80 USD.

Registration fee: $ 200,00 CUC. If arrive to Cuba for the Universitur Travel Agency, the registration fee is $ 160,00 CUC.

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The price includes:
• Transfer in/out
• Transfer Habana – Pinar del Río – Habana.
• Welcome party.
• Accommodations and foodstuff. (18 - 22 in Pinar del Río and 22 - 25 en Habana City)
• Personal Assistance.
• Transfer to all the official activities in the general program.
• Sightseeing around Pinar del Río City.

NOT INCLUDE:
• The airport tax is 25.00 CUC, it should be paid at the airport at the departure time.
• Medical Insurance

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Important notes:
• All the payments must be done in cash.
• You can ask for an invitation letters in order to facilitate the procedures for visa or to participate in the meeting.
• The participants which do not want to use the package given above by Universitur should travel with the Visa D 2, issued by the Cuban Embassy in their country. Otherwise cannot be registered in the meeting.
• The participants that arrive to Cuba for the Universitur Travel Agency can use the tourist card for entrance to Cuba.
• The translation service will be available.
• In April in Cuba there are the summer conditions. The temperature nor exceed to 24 °C.

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Other topic that should be considered in the Symposium or Workshop:

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