



International Scientific Symposium FORMEC 2014 and 5th Forest Engineering Conference, Gerardmer – France, 23–26 September 2014

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FCBA, the French technology institute for forestry, cellulose, wood construction and furniture, will host the 5th Forest Engineering Conference (FEC) together with the 47th International Symposium on Forestry Mechanisation (FORMEC).

The conference will take place on September 23–26, 2014 in Gerardmer (France) under the general theme »Forest engineering: propelling the forest value chain«.

Two days of in-doors technical sessions will be completed with a full day of field demonstrations in the local mixed sub-mountainous forests.

Topics for presentations and posters

The conference themes have been defined by the technical committee in close cooperation with the Precision Forestry Committee, so that both up-coming events will complete each other, in 2014.

1. Managing interactions between logging operations and forest ecosystems services
2. Answering specific challenges in harvesting technologies and working methods
3. Being innovative in transportation solutions and logistics
4. Better working conditions and educational programs

5. Organisational innovations and other strategies for a better planning and monitoring of forest operations in specific contexts

6. Implementing Precision Forestry concepts for improved wood-supply-chains

Selection and publication of the presentations

Both scientists and practitioners, as well as students, are invited to submit abstracts in connection to the themes of the conference before December 31th, 2013. Selection will be done by the FEC-FORMEC 2014 technical committee.

Three types of publications are encouraged, all to be gathered in final proceedings:

1. **Peer-reviewed scientific papers**, also to be published either in the Croatian Journal of Forest Engineering (CROJFE) or in the International Journal of Forest Engineering (IJFE);
2. **Full manuscripts**, for papers with scientific content;
3. **Extended abstracts**, for posters, practitioners' testimonials on specific experiences or products, or impacts of past research results successfully transferred to field operations.

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Important dates

Authors should pay attention to the following deadlines:

Abstracts submission	December 31st, 2013
Feedback from technical committee	February 15 th , 2014
Full paper submission	May 15 th , 2014

NB : Registration to the conference will be open from October 2013 until July 31st 2014 and early birds rates will apply until **March 15th 2014**.

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