EDITORIAL

UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB, FACULTY OF FORESTRY AND WOOD TECHNOLOGY — PROVIDER OF EDUCATION IN FORESTRY AND WOOD TECHNOLOGY

The Faculty of Forestry and Wood Technology (FFWT) of the University of Zagreb is an internationally recognized institution in the training of highly skilled personnel for the needs of forestry, wood processing and furniture manufacture. The intensive development of higher education began in 1898, when university-level education was organized at the Academy of Forestry within the Faculty of Philosophy of the University of Zagreb. The FFWT has since been a faculty in constant growth that systematically develops excellence in education and research in forestry, wood technology and related fields, which is based on the establishment of a quality system and the transfer and application of knowledge for the benefit and prosperity of all components of the social community.

The FFWT is a forerunner in creating changes in the field of forestry and wood technology, where renowned scientists and students of high moral and ethical principles are dedicated to working and improving the social community as a pledge for a better future.

Starting from the undeniable fact that students are the reason and the essence of the existence of every faculty, the teaching staff of the FFWT is determined to fully justify the trust of those who perceive its study programs as excellent, who are aware that the forestry profession responsibly manages one of the most important and largest natural resources of our country, and who regard wood technology as a profession that is extremely important for the economy, GDP and export. Their satisfaction with study programs,

their motivation and student standards, as well as the subsequent employment rate based on acquired knowledge, skills and competences, are important guidelines for the activities of the FFWT.

In the last three academic years, enrolment quotas in all study programs of undergraduate university studies and undergraduate specialist studies have been filled up. This is the result of numerous activities geared towards promoting undergraduate study programs of the Faculty in the public and in the media, promoting the Faculty in secondary schools of Croatia, and organizing and preparing high school graduates interested in enrolling in undergraduate study programs at the FFWT to take the state matriculation exam.

The revised contents of all undergraduate and graduate studies, the postgraduate specialist study of Forestry, the postgraduate specialist study of Wood Technology and the postgraduate doctoral study of Forestry and Wood Technology are devised to meet the needs of the market. Postgraduate specialist studies are highly attractive in the system of life-long learning of masters of forestry engineering, masters of engineering in urban forestry, nature and environment protection, and masters of engineering in wood technology. The academic diploma must remain a prestigious document and a guarantee of the quality of future employees in public and private companies and state institutions.

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