

College of Forestry International Programs News

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As part of an effort to link people with one another and with programs and opportunities and to communicate with you about international activities, the International Programs office distributes this International Programs Newsletter on an irregular basis. Please drop me a line (John.Hayes@oregonstate.edu) with your thoughts on suggestions for improvement or information about visiting colleagues, upcoming events, your travel plans, or other items for inclusion in the next newsletter.

International Coffee Break

The coffee breaks are “in recess” until fall. We hope to see you at the next one early Fall Quarter!



Olga Krankina discusses her research in Russia at the May 2005 International Coffee

Fall Course - FS505 - Forestry in a Changing World

John Hayes, Hal Salwasser, and Gary Hartshorn (President and CEO, World Forestry Center) will be offering a 2 credit course (CRN 18702) this fall. The course will meet at the World Forestry Center [September 12 and 13](#) and on campus three evenings (TBA) during fall quarter. The course addresses global trends in forest management and the forest economy and their relationship to contemporary domestic and global issues in natural resources management. The course will involve four components: **1)** Attendance at a conference focusing on global drivers impacting forestry and the forest industry and how various organizations are approaching these challenges. The conference is sponsored by The World Forest Institute, located at the World Forestry Center in Portland Oregon (<http://www.worldforestry.org/wfi/>), and will take place September 12 and 13, 2005 at the World Forestry Center. Speakers at the conference include scientists, managers and decision-makers from Europe, Asia, South America, North America, and

Oceania. The World Forestry Center has generously agreed to waive all but \$30 of the conference fees for participants in the class. For more information on the conference, see <http://wfi.worldforestrycenter.org/ipf.htm>. **2)** Outside readings related to the issues presented in the conference. **3)** Active participation in three discussion sessions held on campus. Discussions will be led by Gary Hartshorn, Hal Salwasser, and John Hayes and will focus on topics presented at the conference and in the readings. World Forestry Institute International Fellows will also participate in the discussion sessions. **4)** Preparation of a brief (<5 page) paper discussing and synthesizing information from the readings and presentations. Interested students are encouraged to enroll soon, as the number of openings is limited.

Class Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Instructor/coordinator</u>
September 12-13	Conference at World Forestry Center	Hayes
TBA	Key issues in the changing face of global forestry	Hartshorn
TBA	Impacts of global wood markets on US Forests	Salwasser
TBA	Conservation implications of global patterns in the forest economy	Hayes

International funding opportunities

Center for Tropical Forest Science (CTFS) Research grant – Deadline July 29, 2005

The Research Grants Program of the Center for Tropical Forest Science (CTFS) of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute is intended to provide opportunities for senior researchers, post-doctoral fellows, and graduate students to use existing CTFS Forest Dynamics Plots (FDP) and to conduct research with scientists associated with these plots. The CTFS network of FDPs includes 18 sites in 15 countries; OSU College of Forestry is the lead research organization for the CTFS FDP in Cameroon. Anyone working directly in any FDP, analyzing data from a plot, or generating complementary data that strengthens FDP research programs is eligible to apply. Grants will range from \$3,000-\$30,000. The CTFS Research Grants Program will make awards for projects three months to three years in length. For information on how to submit a proposal please visit http://www.ctfs.si.edu/CTFS%20Research%20Grants_2-05.pdf.

Fulbright Scholar Program Grants – Deadline August 1, 2005

Fulbright Scholarships support lectureships, consulting opportunities, and research in various locations across the world. For information about the Fulbright Scholarships and application procedures, please see <http://www.cies.org>.

Fulbright U.S. Student Competition – deadline October 7, 2005

For graduate students interested in international activities. For additional information, see www.fulbrightonline.org and contact Marit Legler (marit.legler@oregonstate.edu) 444 Snell Hall.

COF International Programs Small Grants – deadline early Fall (date TBA)

Because of the success of the first round of the small grant program in the earlier this year, the International Programs Office will sponsor another request for proposals (\$500 to \$3,000) this Fall. Proposals for activities that will contribute to enhancing international dimensions of forest research, teaching, and outreach in the College and/or that provide professional development of College students, faculty, and staff with a focus in international activities will be considered. Details concerning application procedures and deadlines will be announced in September.

COF International Seminars

Stay tuned for more international seminars Fall Quarter.



Chris Farley from USFS International Programs in Washington, D.C. visited the College of Forestry in May, 2005 and presented information on the Forest Service International Programs in a seminar hosted by COF International Programs.

New Faces in the College

The College of Forestry regularly hosts international guests and visiting scholars... take the time to introduce yourselves and touch bases with these folks.



Stephanie Gaertner (above) arrived in Corvallis in May, and is affiliated with the Institute of Silviculture at the University of Freiburg in Germany. Stephanie will be working with Keith Reynolds, Paul Hessburg, and Mark Twery of the PNW Research Station on a project looking at approaches to silviculture focused on adapting forests to climate change with a focus on timber production, conservation of biodiversity, and maintaining spotted owl habitat using a Decision Support System approach. She will be on campus until August 2005.



Christoph Thomas (above on left) is visiting Bev Law's lab in the Department of Forest Science and will be working closely with Bev and Hank Loescher (above on right) as a post-doctoral research associate with the Ameriflux Network. Christoph comes to the College of Forestry from The University of Bayreuth in Bavaria, Germany, and will be here for over a year.



Melanie Kodritsch (above left) and Markus Karman (above right), shown here collecting data in the Oregon Coast Range, are visiting OSU for 10 weeks this summer and are working on a number of field studies with Klaus Puettmann and Carrie Berger in the Department of Forest Science. Melanie and Markus are forestry students at the Fachhochschule Weihenstephan in Bavaria, Germany. Melanie and Markus's research activities at OSU fulfill part of the educational internship requirement required for their degree in Germany.

On the road (late June through August)

To help keep you abreast of where your colleagues are going internationally. (Don't see your travel listed here? This information is primarily gathered from international travel forms submitted through the accounting office. If your travel is not funded through a grant, it may not have been tracked... drop us a line to let us know your travel plans and we will be sure to list it in the newsletter to keep your colleagues informed.)

North and Central America

Canada – July – Diane Haase – attending “the Thin Green Line” conference in Ontario.

Canada – August – Shanti Berryman, Barbara Bond, Alison Cross, Michelle Pruyn, Suzanne Remillard, and Carlos Sierra – attending the annual meeting of the Ecological Society of America and the annual LTER Information Managers meeting (Remillard) in Montreal.

Costa Rica – July – John Hayes –conducting research on bats and participating in the Organization for Tropical Studies REU Program.

South America

Brazil – July – Ken Vance-Borland –attending and moderating a session at the Society for Conservation Biology meeting.

Europe

Austria – July – J.C. Domec –attending the international botanical conference in Vienna.

Germany – July – Barbara Bond –presenting a paper at an international conference in Leipzig on canopy processes.

Poland – August and September – Lech Muszynski –attending the Polish Wood Drying Conference.

Sweden – June – Kreg Lindberg – conducting research and building contacts for the international ecotourism program.

Africa

Malawi – July – Badege Bishaw – working on a collaborative project between OSU, ICRAF, IITA, Total Land Care, SARRNET, and a consortium of US and African universities on a project designed to improve rural livelihoods in southern Africa.

Asia

China – July – Mike Milota –attending the IUFRO Wood Drying Conference in Nanjing.

Australia, New Zealand, and Pacific Islands

Australia – June and July – Dave Hibbs – visiting research facilities in eastern Australia and developing contacts with regional scientists.

Australia – July – Jeff McDonnell – participating in an international workshop in Perth on developing and applying new theoretical approaches to the hydrological sciences.

Australia – August – Badege Bishaw, John Bliss, Lisa Ganio, John Garland, Eric Hansen, John Hayes, Ed Jensen, Loren Kellogg, Steve Tesch, and Jack Walstad – attending the IUFRO conference in Brisbane.

New Zealand – August – John Garland – meeting with regional scientists.

COF and OSU International Surveys

The College of Forestry and OSU are compiling complementary databases on the international experiences and interests of faculty and staff. We estimate that each survey only takes about 5 minutes to complete. Your input is still needed!

To access the College survey, please go to:

https://surveys.bus.oregonstate.edu/BsgSurvey2_0/main.aspx?SurveyID=897

To access the University survey, please go to: http://oregonstate.edu/international/oie/faculty-data/OSU_Faculty_Staff_International_Expertise_Database_Form.htm
