

## Proceedings in a special issue of *Silva Fennica*

An agreement has been reached with *Silva Fennica* concerning a special issue of the journal. Based on the number of contributions received a limited number of scientific papers will be published in the special issue.

## Scientific programme

The scientific programme will include several parallel sessions in addition to morning plenary lectures. This will allow for a dozen plenary lectures and up to 100 oral presentations. In addition there will be a poster session, which allows all accepted contributions to be presented.

A scientific committee is currently aiding us in composing a high quality programme to suit the broad range of topics concerned. The committee is:

- Per Angelstam, SLU Skinnskatteberg, Sweden
- Yves Bergeron, Université Quebec a Montreal, Canada
- Phil Burton, Pacific Forestry Centre, BC, Canada
- Richard Bradshaw, University of Liverpool, UK
- David Foster, Harvard Forest, USA
- Lena Gustafsson, SLU Uppsala, Sweden
- Ilkka Hanski, University of Helsinki, Finland
- Ellen Macdonald, University of Alberta, Canada
- David Mladenoff, University of Wisconsin, USA
- Renzo Motta, University of Turin, Italy
- George Peterken, Freelance researcher, UK
- Ekaterina Shorohova, Saint-Petersburg State Forest Academy, Russia
- Thomas Spies, Oregon State University, USA

## The venue

With a population of about 100 000 the city of Sundsvall is sometimes termed “the capital of northern Sweden”. Characteristic stone buildings fill the city centre, whilst forests and water are never far away.

The Mid Sweden University campus and surrounding conference facilities will be used for the conference. The campus is located near the city centre. You can reach Sundsvall by domestic flights from Stockholm/Arlanda airport or take a train straight from Stockholm or the Stockholm/Arlanda airport.

## Contact information

All relevant conference information will be posted on the conference website, <http://www.prifor2010.org>. For further information, please e-mail us at [info@prifor2010.org](mailto:info@prifor2010.org).

## Organisers:

Society for conservation biology (European section)  
- [www.conbio.org](http://www.conbio.org)

IAVS working group on disturbance dynamics in boreal forests - [www.iavs.org/part\\_groups\\_boreal.asp](http://www.iavs.org/part_groups_boreal.asp)

Nordic working group on the ecology of primeval boreal forests (PRIFOR) - [www.miun.se/nat/prifor](http://www.miun.se/nat/prifor)

## Hosted by:

Mid Sweden University - [www.miun.se/eng](http://www.miun.se/eng)

# Northern Primeval Forests

## Ecology, Conservation and Management

Sundsvall, Sweden  
9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August 2010



## Welcome to Sundsvall, Sweden and [www.prifor2010.org](http://www.prifor2010.org)

We invite you to the city of Sundsvall, Sweden in August 2010 to take part in the scientific conference - Northern Primeval forests: Ecology, Conservation and Management.

The conference will provide a stimulating environment for scientific discussion, with keynote presentations on relevant topics for the ecology, conservation and management of our northern primeval forests.

Prof. Bengt Gunnar Jonsson, Mid Sweden University  
Prof. Jari Kouki, University of Joensuu  
Prof. Timo Kuuluvainen, University of Helsinki  
Nic Kruys PhD, Conservation consultant  
/Conference organising committee



## Northern Primeval Forests: Ecology, Conservation and Management

Sizeable areas of the Northern hemispheres' forests remain unmanaged by man. These primeval forests not only harbour unique conservation and recreational values, but also provide important reference areas, critical to our understanding of forest structure, composition and processes.

The scientific scope of the conference will gather researchers, administrators and conservation managers from a broad spectrum of regions and disciplines. Results will aid in designing scientifically well founded strategies to deal with current threats to forest biodiversity. The following points form a base for the scientific content of the conference:

- Primeval forests as hot-spot islands for rare and declining forest species.
- The range of historical variability in natural disturbance in primeval forests as a guideline for conservation in managed forests.
- Long-term data from primeval forests on the relation between climate change and stand dynamics.
- Primeval forests as natural refugia for in-situ conservation of genetic resources.
- The role of primeval forests in mitigating climate change as carbon sinks.

Register now and join us in 2010 - the year that the world has decided that the decline in biodiversity should be halted!



## Important dates

Please note the following important dates for registering and submitting abstracts for Northern Primeval forests: Ecology, Conservation and Management:

- August 15<sup>th</sup> 2009, online registration opens
- January 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, deadline for super early registration
- March 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, deadline for abstracts
- April 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, deadline for early registration
- 15<sup>th</sup> June 2010, deadline for late registration
- 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August 2010, conference dates

The conference website will be updated with the latest information on deadlines and other information.

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