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Urban Forestry

Session Outline

- Introduction
- Activities 2006-2010
- New officers
- Future plans



Introduction to Urban Forestry RG (1)

Officeholders 2006-2010:

- Cecil Konijnendijk, Denmark (coordinator)
- David Nowak, USA (deputy coordinator)
- Sreetheran Maruthaveeran, Malaysia (deputy coordinator)

Introduction to Urban Forestry RG (2)

Aims:

- Develop UF as area of scientific attention
- Improve networking
- Promote multi- and interdisciplinary research
- Enhance the exchange of information and experiences

Activities 2006-2010

- Conferences and seminars
- Publications
- E-newsletter (in collaboration with UNRI)

See <http://unri.org/iufro/>

- Developing standards for urban forest information (with International Society of Arboriculture)

Conferences 2006-2010 (selection)

- 5 editions of the European Forum on Urban Forestry (Florence, Gelsenkirchen, Hämeenlinna, Arnhem, Tulln) – see www.efuf.org
- Co-hosting of conferences in e.g. Beijing (China), Chengdu (China), Copenhagen (Denmark), Jerusalem (Israel), Kuching (Malaysia), Yoshkar-Ola (Russia)
- Topics ranging from afforestation to recreation, from landscape ecology to science-practice collaboration
- Often in collaboration with other institutions, including other IUFRO groups (e.g. landscape ecology, recreation)

Publications 2006-2010 (selected)

- Special issue of *Arboriculture and Urban Forestry* (Vol. 34, no. 6), “Assessing Urban Forest Structure: Introduction”. Guest editor: David Nowak. 8 articles.
- Proceedings of EFUF Arnhem (2009): Urban forestry: Working together for green city values
- Proceedings, Urban Forestry Conference 2009: “Lessons for Sustainable Development”, 17-19 November 2009, Kuching, Malaysia (in press)
- Konijnendijk, C.C., Ricard, R.M., Kenney, A. and Randrup, T.B., 2006. Defining urban forestry – A comparative perspective of North America and Europe. *Urban Forestry & Urban Greening* 4(3-4): 93-103.

Urban forestry standards initiative

- Collaboration between ISA and IUFRO
- For IUFRO: David Nowak and David Bloniarz
- Aim is to develop an international set of data collection and reporting standards that can be used in the discipline of urban forestry
- More more information and the draft document, see: <http://www.unri.org/standards/>
- Comments on the draft are due by September 21.

Proposal for officers 2011-2015

Coordinator:

- David Nowak, USA

Deputy coordinators:

- Sreetheran Maruthaveeran, Malaysia
- Francisco Escobedo, USA
- Cecil Konijnendijk, Denmark

Future plans (selection)

- Conference 'Urban Forestry in Challenging Environments', Beijing, China, August 29-Sept. 1
- Sessions at conference 'Managing the Urban Rural Interface', Copenhagen, Oct. 19-22 (see www.plurel.net)
- Finalisation of urban forestry standards (early 2011)
- 14th EFUF in Glasgow, UK (June 1-4, 2011), on the theme of green networks

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