International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)

Gender and Forestry Research Group

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1. Background

In 1999 symposium on 'Women and Forestry' in Lillehamer, Norway, with IUFRO participation.

Proposal to IUFRO Executive Board to establish a Research Group within IUFRO in working area Gender, Research and Forestry.

2. Formation of Gender and Forestry Research Group

- At the 21st World Congress, in August 7-12 2000 at Kuala Lumpur.
- Theme of the New Research Group
- Women and Forestry: How can gender research contribute to a more sustainable forest management?

3. Objectives

 To develop knowledge of how management and use of forest resources affect and are affected by gender.

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Tasks

- To work out overview of what is going on in this area not only within IUFRO but in addition, outside IUFRO Member Organization in particular in rural development research.
- To increase awareness of gender aspects in forestry research and to initiate international research projects.
- To arrange international seminars about gender and Forestry.

Tasks cont.

 To cooperate with other international organizations and institutions in the work such as FAO, ILO, CIFOR, EFI etc.

 To Build up an international network for women and forestry.

4. Working Parties

4.1 Gender Research in Forestry

Gender Research in Forestry Structure of Proposed Research Areas

		ISSUES			
	ASPECTS	Legislation	Tradition	Education	Institutions
-	Ownership & Rights				
	Management of Work Organization				
	Distribution of Benefits				

4.2 Education and Gender in Forestry

5. Building Networks for Women in Forestry

- Framework for building networks
- Name
- Objectives
- Activities
- Etc.