

Seul Workshop 2010 Follow up-report by professor Wil de Jong

Dear friends

Finally some time to summarize our discussions from last week's Tuesday afternoon.

Follow up from our January meeting:

We agreed as a next step to all sign up for the session at the upcoming IUFRO conference in Korea, the sessions with the title Transition to Sustainable Forestry, which is to be chaired by Youn, myself and one other colleague whose name I now don't recall.

People who already have registered for that session are: Matti; Yeo-chang, Jinlong, Juan and Boe. People who still have to register for that session are Victor, Andrea, Latipah, Nguyen and myself. Once we have the abstracts (below), we can figure out how to organize that.

We will all try to write papers that are to be presented at that session and agreed on the following details:

Each of us will prepare an extensive abstract by March 15. This abstract should be about 1500 words. The abstracts are to be sent to the session organizers (Yeo-chang and myself). We will provide feedback and probably do some editing if necessary. Papers will have to be finalized as a full draft before each of us comes to the Seoul on August 22.

Once we have a complete set of extended summaries, Yeo-chang and myself will explore journals for their interest to publish a special issue. Any news on that will be communicated immediately so that authors can consider journal format.

The IUFRO conference starts on August 24. We will hold a one day meeting on August 23 where each of us will present the paper, which by then will be a complete draft. We will make use of this opportunity to give feedback and discuss next steps.

After March 15, Yeo-chang and collaborators will prepare a poster that reflects all the papers. The paper will be used for the IUFRO session, which is August 24 or later. We will over the coming months still reflect on the format for the IUFRO session.

Follow up research collaboration

In order to continue this collaboration further into the future we will initially try to mobilize funds. We have a funding proposal that was prepared by Matti, Yeo-chang and which will be revamped. (Please note, this is an old proposal from long before our January meeting.) Attached is the proposal that we are talking about. The agreement was that each of you will look at it and provide comments. These we hope to receive back within three

weeks. After that, Matti, Yeo-chang and Wil will finalize the proposal and send it back to everybody. The proposal can be used by each of us to submit where appropriate and fund smaller or bigger parts of our future research collaboration. (I.e. if you would only want to get funding for a phd student or a meeting in your country, that would be ok). We will also try to submit the proposal as a collective effort.

We will try to obtain political support for the proposal from ITTO, IUFO, UNDP (or they for funding). Some improvement for the proposal were already suggested: justify better the selection of countries, announce clearer what will be the policy lessons; assure adequate national collaborators (institutions and persons). Matti will try to find collaborators from Brazil.

I think those are the most important issues that we discussed. Please let me know if I missed something. If not, we look forward to your observations on the funding proposal, and else on to the extended abstract by March 15.

Very best regards,

Wil