

Finland and Sweden Forest Friends Forever

Finnish-Swedish Forest Conference
17-18 APRIL, 2018 · HANAHOLMEN, FINLAND

Finland and Sweden are both leading nations in the sustainable use of forest resources for the benefit of the societies. Both countries have an ambition to use forests in combatting climate change, while at the same time developing new bio-based forest products, processes and services to pave the way for a sustainable economic growth.

Sweden donated 12 post-doc positions to Finland to honour the 100th anniversary of our independence. To show gratitude for the generous gift, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry organizes a Finnish-Swedish Forest Conference in Hanaholmen, Espoo on 17-18 April 2018.

DATE: 17-18 April, 2018

VENUE: Hanaholmen Swedish-Finnish Cultural Centre,
Hanasaarenranta 5, Espoo, Finland

Attendance at the conference is by invitation only and free of charge.

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PROGRAMME

TUESDAY, 17 APRIL

- 11.00-12.00 **Registration**
- 12.00 **Lunch**
- 13.00 **Opening address:** Minister Jan-Erik Enestam, Chairman, the Swedish-Finnish Cultural Foundation (Finland)
Welcoming words: Dr. Jaana Husu-Kallio, Permanent Secretary, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
- 13.30-15.00 **Session 1: Research cooperation between Finland and Sweden**
Moderator: Ritva Toivonen, Dean, University of Helsinki
Tandem Forest Values – State of the Art
Eva Petterson, CEO, The Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry (KSLA)
Collaboration between RISE and VTT
Peter Axegård, Vice President, Bioeconomy Strategy, RISE
Jussi Manninen, Executive Vice President, Bioeconomy, VTT
Efinord – Platform for Research Cooperation in Northern Europe
Leena Paavilainen, Director, Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke)
Jari Hynynen, Professor, Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke) & Efinord
Development of Key Enabling Technologies for Biobased Products
Anders Holmgren, Program Manager, Vinnova
Tuula Savola, Programme Manager, Business Finland
- 15.00-15.30 **Coffee break**
- 15.30-17.30 **Session 2: Biorefineries: Investments and Financing**
Moderator: Henrik Ehrnrooth, Chairman of the Board, Pöyry
The Making of Äänekoski Biorefinery
Niklas von Weymarn, Research Director, Metsä Fibre
MAX IV Laboratory
Magnus Larsson, Head of Industrial Relations, Lund University
Value Ecosystem for SMEs
Linda Fröberg-Niemi, Business Development Manager, Smart Chemistry Park
Financing the Future
Kim Krokfors, Senior Manager, Nordic Investment Bank NIB
Future Perspectives for Investments in the Forest Sector in Finland and Sweden
Henrik Ehrnrooth, Chairman of the Board, Pöyry
- 19.00 **Dinner at Hanaholmen**

WEDNESDAY, 18 APRIL

- 9.30 **Session 3: Policies**
Moderator: Kirsi Heikel, journalist
Finnish-Swedish Collaboration in Forest-Related EU Policy-Making
Jari Leppä, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry
Sven-Erik Bucht, Minister of Rural Affairs
EU's R&D Policy from the Industrial Point of View
Johan Elvnert, Managing Director, Forest Technology Platform
How to Improve the Legitimacy of Nordic Forestry
Anders Portin, Managing Director, Finnish Forest Society
Winners and Losers of the Bioeconomy: Philosophical Analysis of Policy-Making
Matti Häyry, Professor, Aalto University
- 11.00 **Lunch**
- 12.00 **EXCURSIONS**
Excursion 1: VTT BIORUUKKI Pilot Centre Innovation and demonstration platform for bioeconomy and circular economy businesses. Bioruukki supports business opportunities in fields such as low-carbon energy solutions, efficient biomass refining, new biomass-based products, and recycling and waste utilization. Coffee break in the lab!
Excursion 2: Forest management by Tornator During forest excursion you will learn about the Forest Biodiversity Programme METSO, gene reserve forest and forest management based on digitalization. Tornator is a leading company specialised in sustainable forest management in Europe. Coffee break by campfire!
- 17.00 **Arrival at the Helsinki Airport**