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เรื่อง ขอเชิญเข้าร่วมประชุม/โครงการที่เกี่ยวข้องกับโครงการ Asian Forest Living Lab Initiative ภายใต้การดำเนินงานของ Asian Forest Cooperation Organization (AFoCO)

- เรียน รองอธิบดีกรมป่าไม้ทุกท่าน  
 ผู้ตรวจราชการกรมป่าไม้ทุกท่าน  
 ผู้อำนวยการสำนักทุกสำนัก  
 ผู้อำนวยการกองการอนุญาต  
 ผู้อำนวยการสำนักจัดการทรัพยากรป่าไม้ที่ ๑ - ๑๓  
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 ผู้อำนวยการกลุ่มพัฒนาระบบบริหาร  
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 ผู้อำนวยการกลุ่มงานจริยธรรม

ฝ่ายบริหารทั่วไป
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เวลา

สำนักการป่าไม้ต่างประเทศ ขอส่งสำเนาหนังสือ Asian Forest Cooperation Organization (AFoCO) ที่ CE-212 ลงวันที่ ๒๔ กรกฎาคม ๒๕๖๘ ขอเชิญเข้าร่วมโครงการ "Young Forest Scientists Awards" ในระหว่างวันที่ ๒๔-๓๐ กันยายน ๒๕๖๘ ณ กรุงโซล สาธารณรัฐเกาหลี โดยผู้สมัครที่มีคุณสมบัติที่เหมาะสม รวมถึงนักศึกษา ผู้ที่เพิ่งสำเร็จการศึกษา หรือนักวิจัยรุ่นใหม่ อายุระหว่าง ๑๘-๓๕ ปี จากประเทศสมาชิก AFoCO ซึ่ง AFoCO จะเป็นผู้รับค่าใช้จ่ายทั้งหมด สามารถส่งเอกสารการสมัคร ภายในวันที่ ๒๔ สิงหาคม ๒๕๖๘ ทั้งนี้ ได้โปรดมีหนังสือแจ้งมายังสำนักการป่าไม้ต่างประเทศ ทราบอีกทางหนึ่งด้วย รุยละเอียดปรากฏตามเอกสารแนบ

จึงเรียนมาเพื่อโปรดทราบและพิจารณา

(นายปรีชา องค์กรประเสริฐ)

ผู้อำนวยการสำนักการป่าไม้ต่างประเทศ

เรียน

ฝ่ายบริหารทั่วไป

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DATE : 2025.07.24.

REF. NO.:CE-212

AFoCO National Focal Points

CC, Heads of Research Agencies/Institutes in the Forest and Forestry Sector

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Invitation to Participate in the "Young Forest Scientists Awards"**

Warm greetings from the Secretariat.

Building on the Asian Forest Living Lab Initiative and the AFoCO Capacity-Building Roadmap 2030, the AFoCO Secretariat is pleased to announce the "Young Forest Scientists Awards", which will be held from 29 to 30 September 2025 in Seoul, Republic of Korea, in collaboration with the National Institute of Forest Science (NIFoS). The Awards aim to cultivate the next generation of forest scientists, innovators, and community leaders by actively engaging students, graduates, and early-career researchers in regional forest and climate-related discourse. Providing professional development, networking opportunities, and leadership training to empower them as catalysts for positive change in the forestry sector. Details on submission requirements and evaluation criteria are provided in **Attachment-1**.

The program will be held alongside the AFoCO Working Group Meetings, bringing together selected young scientists and senior forest professionals. This event will offer participants the opportunity to explore in-depth insights on the status of mangrove forests and climate-related data through the lens of policy and professional expertise. Selected young scientists will have the chance to present their research, engage with experts, and contribute to shaping strategies for forest resilience in the region.

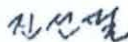
We hereby invite eligible candidates including students, recent graduates, or young researchers aged 18–35 years from AFoCO Member Countries to submit their application materials by **24 August 2025**. Applicants should submit (1) a scientific poster (PDF and PPT files, A1 size, vertical layout) or a research topic overview (PPT file), and (2) an abstract (maximum 500 words) with personal photograph.

All submissions will be reviewed by a panel of experts from AFoCO and partners institutions, based on the quality of research, clarity of presentation, and relevance to the program's thematic focus. **A maximum of ten (10) successful candidates** will be officially announced on **5 September 2025** and recognized during the AFoCO Working Group Meeting. Certificates and presentation opportunities will be provided.

Please send your application to: [sena\\_73@afocosec.org](mailto:sena_73@afocosec.org). Subject line: Young Forest Scientists Awards – [Applicant Name] – [Country]

We look forward to your active participation in this meaningful program. Should you require any further information, please contact Ms. Soozin Ryang, Team Leader, Capacity Building and Evaluation Team. ([soozin.ryang@afocosec.org](mailto:soozin.ryang@afocosec.org), +82-2-785-8966)

Sincerely,



Sunpil Jin  
Vice Executive Director



**2025 AFoCO - NIFoS**

**“Young Forest Scientists Awards”**

**COURSE GUIDELINES**

29 – 30 September 2025

Seoul, Republic of Korea

## 1. BACKGROUND

Young and promising forest professionals play a vital role in shaping the future of sustainable forest management and strengthening the sector's resilience to emerging challenges. They bring fresh perspectives, innovative solutions, and a strong commitment to forest conservation and climate action. **AFoCO Capacity-Building Roadmap 2030**<sup>1</sup> emphasizes the importance of comprehensive capacity-building opportunities at national, regional, and local levels to ensure effective and efficient forest management in AFoCO Member Countries. In line with this commitment, the Asian Forest Cooperation Organization (AFoCO) in collaboration with the National Institute of Forest Science (NIFoS) of the Republic of Korea introduces the **Young Forest Scientists Awards** under the **Asian Forest Living Lab Initiative**<sup>2</sup>. This program aims to cultivate the next generation of forest scientists, innovators, and community leaders by actively engaging students, graduates, and early-career researchers in regional forest and climate-related discourse. Providing professional development, networking opportunities, and leadership training to empower them as catalysts for positive change in the forestry sector.

The program will be conducted during 29 –30 September 2025 together with professional researchers from AFoCO member countries. The program will have the experience to explore the insightful information on mangrove forest status and climate-related data from policy and professional expertise. The meeting will also highlight innovative strategies to address climate change, offering participants valuable scientific insights into climate-related forest impacts. This engagement will provide selected young scientists with a chance to present their research, network with experts, and contribute to shaping forest resilience strategies.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

The program objectives are to: 1) Empower young professionals to co-create and communicate science-based forest; 2) Bridge science, policy, and practice through real-world participation aligned with the Living Lab model; and, 3) Foster collaboration among young researchers, professionals, and communities across AFoCO member countries.

## 3. TARGET PARTICIPANTS

Applicants must be students, recent graduates, or young researchers aged 18–35 years from 15 AFoCO Member Parties, **Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao PDR, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Viet Nam**. This program offers a valuable opportunity for emerging forest scientists to gain professional recognition and build networks with experts and policymakers in the field of forest conservation and climate resilience.

**A maximum of Ten (10) successful candidates** will be selected. All applicants must be currently residing in one of the 15 Member Parties.

<sup>1</sup> Asian Forest Cooperation Organization. (2024). *AFoCO Capacity Building Roadmap 2030*. <https://afocosec.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/AFoCO-Capacity-Building-Roadmap-2030-Spread.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> The Asian Forest Living Lab Initiative, endorsed at the 11th Session of the AFoCO Assembly, is a region-wide R&D platform that transforms project sites into real-world innovation hubs, enabling collaborative research, technology application, and policy integration for sustainable forest management and climate resilience.

#### 4. RESEARCH TOPIC COMPETITION & SELECTION

##### Submission Guidelines

All applicants must submit the following materials **by 24 August 2025**:

1. A scientific poster (PDF and PPT files, A1 size, vertical layout) or
2. A research topic overview (PPT file) and
3. Abstract (maximum 500 words) with your photo

##### Evaluation Criteria

1. Clear articulation of the research question or hypothesis
2. Identification of key variables or influencing factors
3. Soundness and appropriateness of the research methodology
4. Recognition of data limitations and constraints
5. Strength and clarity of conclusions drawn from data
6. Research proposals addressing the following topics will be given priority consideration: **(1) climate change adaptation and (2) mangrove ecosystem restoration**

##### Selection Process

All documents submitted electronically by the deadline (24 August 2025) will be reviewed by a panel of experts from AFoCO and partner institutions.

**A maximum of Ten (10) successful candidates will be selected and announced by 5 September 2025.**

##### Recognition and Presentation

1. The selected winners will be recognized during the AFoCO Working Group Meeting.
2. They will have presentation or showcased throughout the meeting.
3. A special announcement and certificates of excellence will be awarded.

**Please send all required documents to the official program email: [sena\\_73@afocosec.org](mailto:sena_73@afocosec.org)  
Subject line: Young Forest Scientists Awards – [Applicant Name] – [Country] by 24 August 2025**

#### 5. COURSE SCHEDULE *(tentative and will be updated)*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED
28	29	30	1
Arrival in Korea Registration	Opening Session Country Presentations – Status & research finding update	Group discussion  Field visit	Departure to home country

#### 6. DOMESTIC TRANSPORTATION

On the day of arrival (28 September 2025), participants are expected to travel to Toyoko Inn hotel (Address: 293, Singil-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul 07306 South Korea, Tel: +82-(0)2-6959-1045) Airport transportation will not be provided. Participants are advised to refer to public transportation information available on the hotel's official website (<https://www.toyoko-inn.com/eng/search/detail/00311>)

Participants are expected to convene in the hotel lobby at 9:00 AM on September 29, 2025. AFoCO staff will accompany all participants to the meeting venue and be accompanied during the program.

Please be informed that it is tentative, and the program may provide an alternative instruction.

### 7. AIR TICKETS

Should participants be able to provide a preferred flight schedule, the Secretariat will purchase the flight tickets on behalf of the participants.

### 8. VISA APPLICATION

All participants are expected to apply for a visa to travel to stay in Korea for at least 15 days. The application process for visas differs depending on whether the passport is an Ordinary passport or an Official passport. Participants should visit the relevant website of the embassy to check the visa requirements of their respective countries.

### 9. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The AFoCO Secretariat will cover participation costs as stated in the table below. During the meeting, reimbursements will be given personally to the participants in Korean Won.

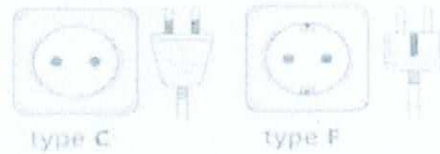
Item	Amount (US\$)	Remarks
Airfares	-	- The Secretariat will arrange the economy class round-trip flight. <i>(Those who live in Korea will not provide)</i>
Training Allowance	USD 35 (per day)	- To cover personal expenses, and other incidentals from the departing day of his/her own country to the arrival day of his/her own country - Meals and local transportation will be directly financed by the Secretariat.
Accommodation	-	- The Secretariat will reserve the hotel in Seoul. - During travel period, inevitable stop-over accommodation will be reimbursed by the Secretariat, upon the submission of the receipts <i>(please make a prior consultation with the Secretariat for requesting necessary arrangements)</i> .
Visa / Travel Insurance	Actual cost with a receipt	- Visa fee will be reimbursed upon submission of receipts. * <u>Travel and/or medical insurances are not covered</u> ( <i>*The Secretariat will buy group travel insurance during the participants stay in the Republic of Korea</i> ). * <u>Any other medical costs or items that are not covered by the travel insurance will not be covered by the Secretariat.</u>
Others	-	- Any other items not listed in this table will not be supported in principle.

### 10. CURRENCY & CREDIT CARDS

The currency in the Republic of Korea is Korean Won (KRW). Foreign currencies are accepted at bank branches and money exchangers located within the Incheon International Airport (<https://www.airport.kr/ap/en/svc/getFacilityMain.do>). As such, participants are strongly advised to exchange the money at the International Airport. Using cash or a credit card for transactions is recommended.

## 11. ELECTRICITY

The standard voltage in the Republic of Korea is 220 V, 60 Hz, and plugs with round 2 pins are generally used.



## 12. LOCAL TIME

The Republic of Korea is 9:00 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+9:00).

## 13. ATTIRE

Business casual is kindly requested.

## 14. WEATHER

September in Seoul is a transition month, from summer to autumn. The weather is pleasantly warm and mild, and there is less rain compared to summer, with an average monthly temperature of 25°C (16°C~26°C). It's considered the best times to visit.

## 15. GENERAL ENQUIRIES / EMERGENCY CONTACT

Addresses: AFoCO Secretariat (<https://afocosec.org/>): 12F, SIMPAC Bldg. 52 Gukjegeumyung-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea 07330

For more information or in the case of emergencies, please contact:

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