

**International call for students' applications: MSc European Forestry Erasmus Mundus.**

Dear Sir/Madam

The Master of Science in European Forestry Erasmus Mundus (MSc EF) is a 2-year double degree programme co-organised by the following six European universities:

- University of Joensuu, Finland (Coordinating University)
- University of Freiburg, Germany
- Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Sweden
- University of Lleida, Spain
- University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU), Austria
- Wageningen University, the Netherlands

The MSc EF provides academic education in forestry focusing on the international dimension of sustainable forest management issues. The programme is an extra dimension to the already existing educational markets in forestry and nature management in Europe. In this programme, European forestry universities collaborate intensively to offer joint courses as well as their existing curricula, based on the knowledge and experience of forest management for which European Forestry was the cradle centuries ago.

The international dimension of the programme is strengthened by the partnership established with the Universities of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa, Federal University of Parana in Brazil and Northwest A&F University in China.

The MSc EF programme is **open to students from all countries**. Minimum requirements for studying the MSc EF include a good level of English, and a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in forestry, nature management or other related disciplines.

The next MSc EF course (2009-2011), will start at the end of August 2009. The deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008. Additionally, an extra call only for European applicants from EU/EEA-EFTA and candidate countries for accession to the EU will be opened during spring 2009 with a deadline at the beginning of June 2009. More information can be found, as well as the application procedure, on the webpage <http://gis.joensuu.fi/mscef>. There you can also find details on the Erasmus Mundus scholarships that are provided for non-European Union nationals, as well as the various scholarships available for EU nationals.

We hope that the programme is of interest to you, and we kindly ask you to forward this information to anyone that you consider might be interested.

Best regards,

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