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Letter of interest,

This letter expresses the interest of Sweden to host the XXV World Congress of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO) in 2019.

The boreal forests have a lot to offer in terms of unique ecosystems of great importance for the global climate. In Sweden where the forest cover is 60% of the land area, ranging from mountainous areas in the upper North to the broad leaved forest in the South, there are a multitude of different tenure systems to be demonstrated.

The long history of managing forest illustrates the importance and the success of the Swedish forestry model. The forest is the most important net export sector of the country. The forest science of the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences was recently evaluated and ranked as first class research in several important areas.

We are convinced that Stockholm would be an excellent venue for the upcoming Congress 2019 celebrating 90 years since the Congress VII was held in Sweden 1929. The Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences is willing to take on the hosting of the congress provided that the government supports the application by the end of this summer. Contact organization and coordinator for submitting a bid for the Congress 2019 is the Secretariat for International Forestry Issues (SIFI) in Stockholm.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lisa Sennerby Forsse', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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