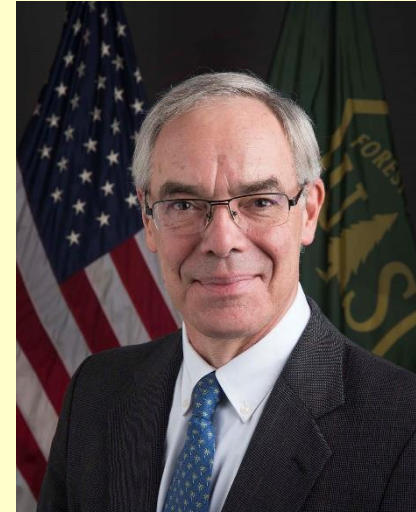


Overview/Update on the International Union of Forest Research Organizations

NAUFRP Executive Committee Meeting: October 27, 2020



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USDA Forest Service

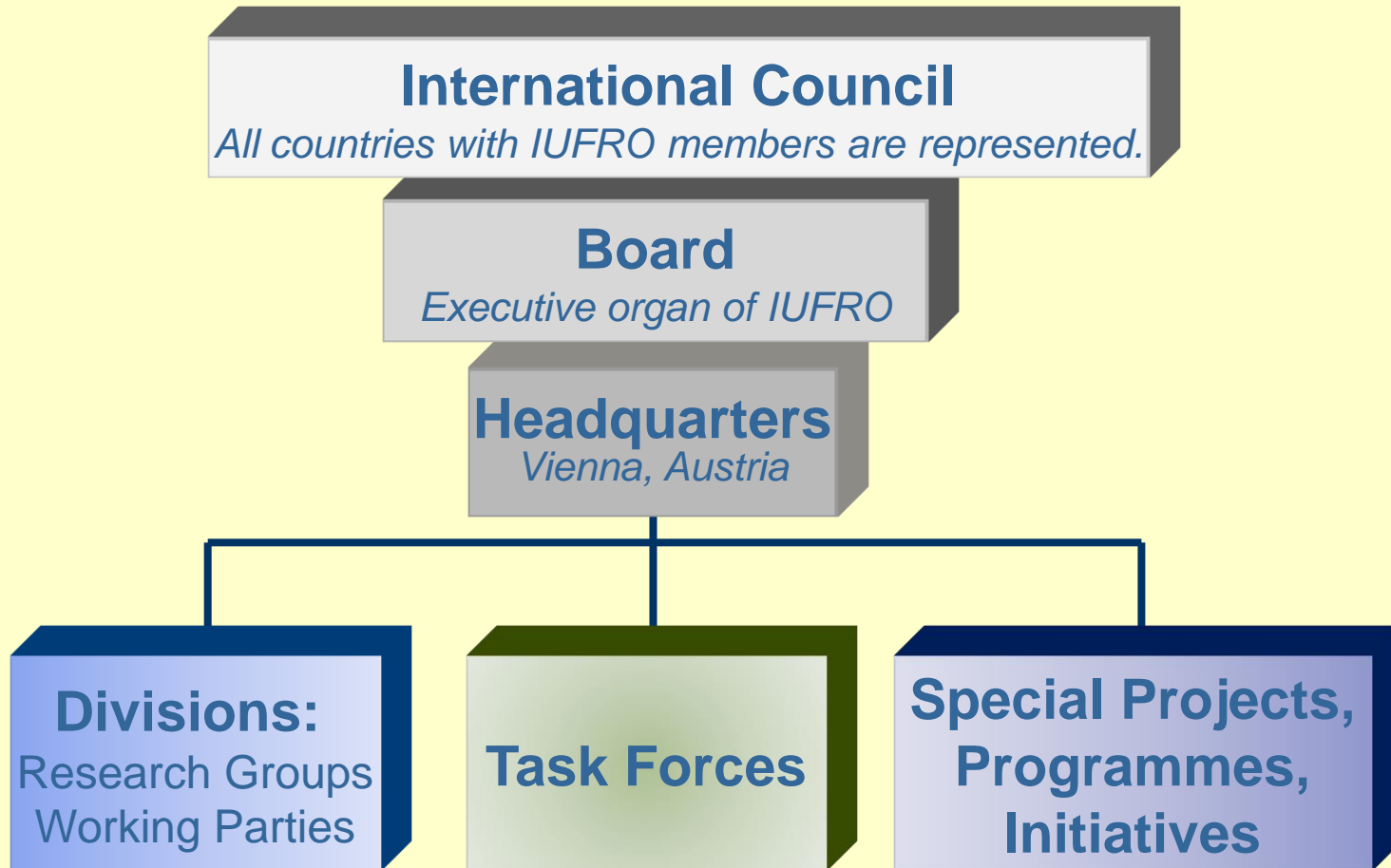


About IUFRO



- IUFRO is the only **network** with a **global scope** for cooperation in forest science and education.
- The IUFRO network unites **15,000-20,000** scientists in about **650 Member Organizations** in **127 countries**. In the U.S., ~50 members (incl. 35 universities).
- IUFRO is open to **all** individuals and organizations dedicated to **research** related to **forests** and forest products.
- IUFRO was **founded in 1892** and is based in Vienna, Austria. It is a member of the International Science Council, ISC.

IUFRO Structure Overview



Priority Research Themes

Five themes aim to guide the science collaboration within IUFRO's global network





- **Divisions/Research Groups/Working Parties:** Information sharing; joint learning; science meetings



- **Task Forces:** Inter-disciplinary cooperation in forest research; synthesising existing state-of-the-art science; publications



- **Programmes/Projects:** Specific purposes in support of capacity building; information dissemination; research management; science-policy; forestry practice

IUFRO and Forest Education

- IUFRO Research Group 6.09.00 “Forest Education”
- IUFRO-IFSA Joint Task Force on Forest Education (since 2014)
- “Green-Jobs” project in collaboration with IFSA and EFI – assessing how prepared recent graduates are to fulfil workplace requirements





- In collaboration with Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO) and International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)
- Funded by German Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL)
- Catalyse, accelerate and enhance broad efforts in forest education and overcome the deficiencies in forest education in many parts of the world.
- Primary, secondary, tertiary and technical/vocational training
- Main expected output: Creation of a global platform for forest education

Online Platform for Forest Education

- Open platform for all which allows for advanced search functionality for forest-specific content
- Teaching materials
- Educational and training courses
 - Bachelor, Master and PhD
 - Technical training
 - Online courses
- Interactive live chat with experts

