SIDE EVENT

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration – Lessons Learned

MONDAY
May 02, 2022 6:00pm to 7:30pm (CET+8)

The United States has the world's fourth largest forest estate, totaling around 300 million hectares. Across the country, tens of millions of hectares of forests and watersheds would benefit restoration. Resilient landscapes provide integral resources and services to ecosystems and communities. From water purification to recreational opportunities, to wildlife and plant diversity, to a sustainable supply of wood products, the United States relies on its forested land for ecological, social, and economic benefits. Restored landscapes are not only better able to sustain these benefits—the landscapes are also more resilient to stressors, which range from invasive species infestations to drought. Moreover, since 2000, at least 10 U.S. States have had their largest fires on record and some States have broken records more than once. To protect forests from uncharacteristic wildfire and make communities safer, fire-adapted landscapes must be restored to reduce wildfire risk and severity.

This session will provide an overview of approaches to advance collaborative, landscape-scale restoration in the United States at multiple geographic scales, from Federal, State, and NGO perspectives. With an emphasis on lessons learned and ongoing challenges, presenters will focus on five learning themes: achieving ecological outcomes, reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfires, other community benefits, collaboration, and multi-party monitoring. An interactive discussion and exchange of ideas will follow the presentation.

SPEAKERS

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MODERATOR

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Background Information
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