

WELCOMING ADDRESS

Workshop on Risk-based targeted
surveillance for forest invasive species

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Introduction

Recent APFC sessions

22nd session, Hanoi Viet Nam

21st session, Dehradun, India

20th session, Nadi, Fiji

19th session, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Invasive species activity

Risk-based targeted surveillance workshop

Workshop on developing a strategy for APFISN

(i) Workshop on developing strategies for addressing forest invasive species

(ii) Inauguration of APFISN

In-session seminar: regional cooperation in combating invasive species threats



Asia-Pacific Forestry Week

- Change and continuity are key themes
- Forestry Week is a large event
- Series of inter-related meetings, workshops and seminars
- *“Forestry in a changing world”*
- 22nd session of Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission



Don't miss it!!

Asia-Pacific Forestry Week
Forestry in a Changing World

Hanoi, Vietnam
21-25 April 2008

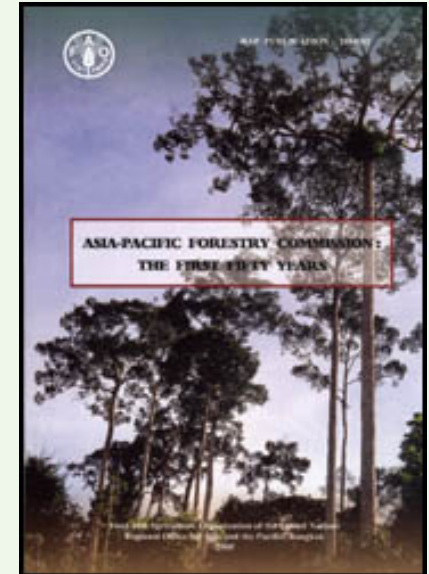
- First-ever Asia-Pacific Forestry Week will be held 21-25 April 2008, in Hanoi, Vietnam
- Will be the largest and the most important forestry event in the region in 2008
- Will bring together 500 participants from governments, NGOs, research institutions, international networks, UN agencies and the private sector
- High-level forestry officials from throughout the Asia-Pacific region will attend
- A unique opportunity for diverse stakeholders and forest managers to share perspectives and seek solutions to the most challenging issues facing forests and forestry today



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Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission

- **Statutory body of FAO**
- **Formed in 1949**
- **First session in 1950**
- **Membership of 33 Asia-Pacific countries**
- **Convenes every 2 years**



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Asia-Pacific Forest Invasive Species Network

- **APFISN is a formal APFC activity**
- **Five priority areas for the work program:**
 - Stocktaking of national activities
 - Awareness raising
 - Capacity building
 - Database and information sharing
 - Developing network structures.



- **Sixth APFISN capacity-building workshop**
- **But a difference – moving towards an operational activity**





**THANK
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