

Forests in the Anthropocene: Risks and opportunities

- Symposium for the Inauguration of the SwissForestLab -

Venue:

Swiss Federal Research Institute WSL
Zürcherstrasse 111
CH-8903 Birmensdorf
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9:00 – 09:30	Registration and Coffee
9:30 – 09:35	Welcome Konrad Steffen Director of the WSL
9:35 – 10:00	Introduction of the SwissForestLab Arthur Gessler WSL
10:00 – 10:20	Global change and tree distribution – local to global perspectives Niklaus Zimmermann WSL
10:20 – 10:50	The key transformational role of forests in the Anthropocene Marc Palahí Director of the European Forest Institute (EFI), Finland
10:50 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:10	Drought in tropical forests: from physiological mechanisms to tree distribution patterns Bettina Engelbrecht Plant Ecology, University of Bayreuth, Germany
12:10 – 12:50	Does forest diversity matter for drought resilience? William Anderegg Biology, University of Utah, USA
12:50 – 14:10	Lunch
14:10 – 14:50	Three trillion trees — the role of forests and their changes in the global carbon cycle Julia Pongratz Max Planck Institute for Meteorology, Hamburg, Germany
14:50 – 15:20	Statements from research user groups in Switzerland: Rolf Manser , BAFU, Head of Forest Division Markus Brunner , Director of “WaldSchweiz” Jean Rosset , President of Swiss Forestry Society
15:20 – 16:30	Presentation of SwissForestLab projects
16:30 – 17:00	Apéro