

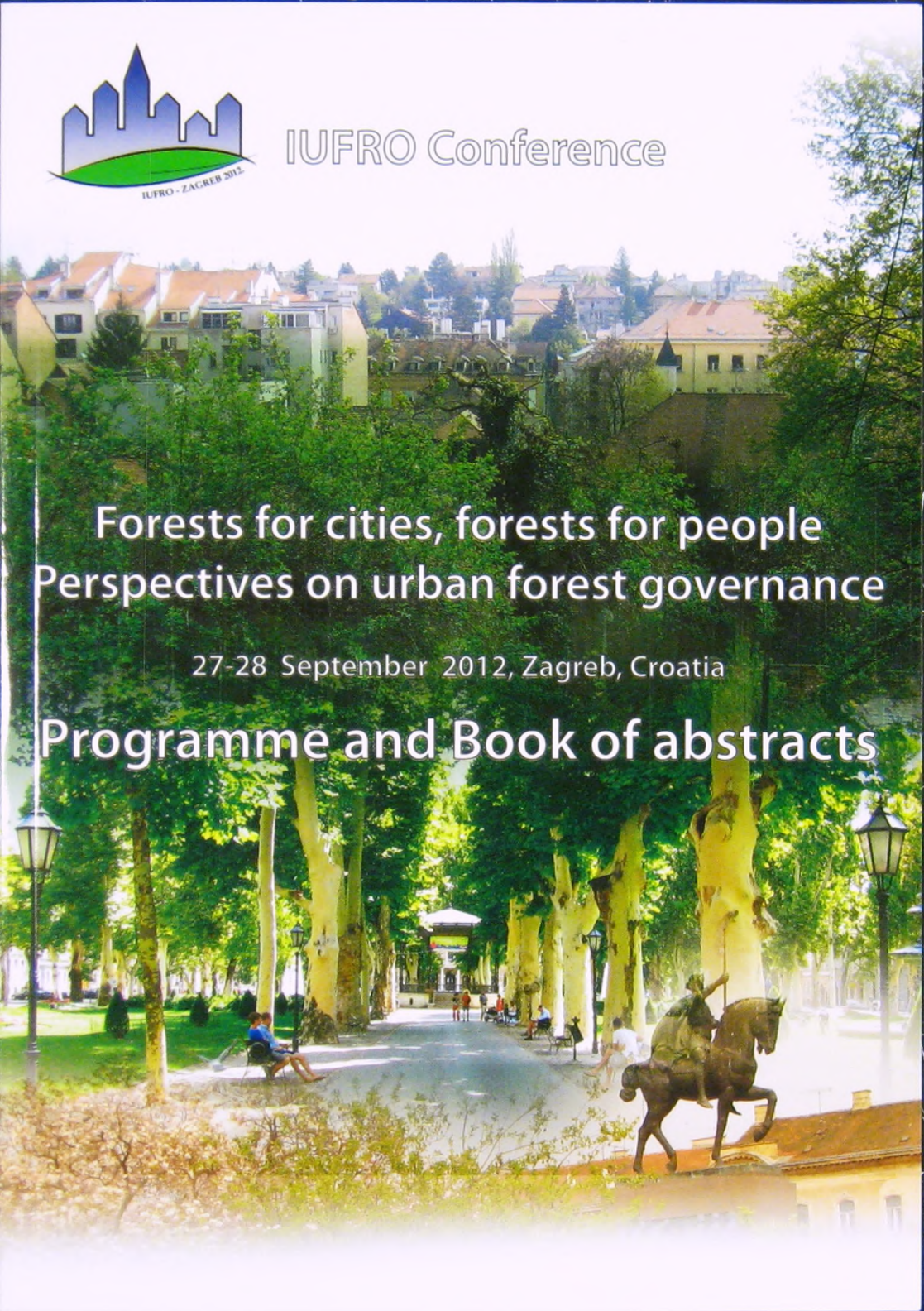


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Welcoming Words

Dear participants,

We welcome you cordially to the conference "***Forests for cities, forests for people: perspectives on urban forest governance***" organised by Croatian Forest Research Institute together with IUFRO unit 6.07.00 on Urban Forestry and FOPER project of the European Forest Institute.

Taking into consideration constantly growing population in urban areas all around the world, and all what comes with it, we cannot but to agree that urban forests are our urban future.

Urban forests provide many environmental, social and economic benefits and contribute to quality of life of people in urban areas. Therefore the way how we treat them and how we make decisions about them becomes very important. And governance is about making decisions.

The idea for the conference came from the on going South East European regional project FORCITY- "Citizens and urban forest governance in SEE: case studies in selected cities" that addresses urban forest governance and satisfaction of citizens with their urban forests.

We hope that this conference will provide us all with interesting presentations and fruitful discussions from which we will learn something new. And governance is about learning too.

City of Zagreb has a long tradition of caring for urban forests and green space, and some of which we are proudly going to show you during our field trip.

We would like to thank Croatian Chamber of Forestry and Wood Technology Engineers, Croatian Forestry Society, Zagreb Tourist Board and Zagreb Fair for their support in preparing this event.

Enjoy the conference, but also make new friends and business contacts and most of all have a pleasant stay in Zagreb!

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