

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Building Resilient Communities through Community-Based Forest Management

**January 17-18, 2013 NORDIK Institute
Algoma University, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario**

Thursday, January 17

- 8:00-9:00** Hot Breakfast & Registration
- 9:00-9:30** First Nation Opening, Welcome and Introductions
Opening Prayer/Ceremony: *Local First Nation Representative*
Dr. Gayle Broad, Department of Community Development and Social Work & NORDIK Institute, Algoma University
Dr. Peggy Smith, Faculty of Natural Resources Management Lakehead University
- 9:30-10:15** Keynote Address: Democratic Decentralization of Forest Management
Dr. Jesse Ribot, Department of Geography & Affiliate, Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 10:15-10:30** Refreshment Break
- 10:30-11:00** Overview of Community Forests in Canada
Dr. Sara Teitelbaum, Post-doctoral Fellow, Centre d'Étude de la Forêt at UQAM (Université du Québec à Montréal)
- 11:00-11:30** Design of Incentive Mechanisms for the Provision of Forest Ecosystem Services by Communities
Dr. Shashi Kant, Professor of Forest Resource Economics, Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto
- 11:30 -12:00** Group Discussion
- 12:00-1:00** Lunch (provided) and Graduate Student Poster Session
- 1:00-1:30** First Nation and Municipal Partnerships in Natural Resources Management in British Columbia
Dr. Evelyn Pinkerton, Associate Professor, School of Resource and Environmental Management & Co-management Research Group, Simon Fraser University
- 1:30-2:00** Lessons from the BC Community Forest Association
Susan Mulkey, BC Community Forest Association

- 2:00-2:30** Group Discussion
- 2:30-3:00** Towards Community Forests in New Brunswick
Jean Arnold, Executive Director, Falls Brook Centre, New Brunswick & New Brunswick Community Forestry Alliance
- 3:00-3:15** Refreshment Break
- 3:15-3:45** The Economics of Community Forests
Dr. David Robinson, Chair of the Department of Economics, Director of the Institute for Northern Ontario Research and Development (INORD), Laurentian University
- 3:45-4:30** Group Discussion
- 6:00 p.m.** Local Food Banquet & After Dinner International Speaker
Building Networks to Support Community Forestry: International Experiences

Friday, January 18

- 8:00-9:00** Hot Breakfast & Registration
- 9:00-9:30** Update on Forest Tenure Reform in Ontario
Mark Speers, Director, Forest Tenure & Economics Branch, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
- 9:30-9:45** Community Working Group (CWG)¹ Update: *CWG Representative*
- 9:45-10:15** Discussion re Forest Tenure Reform
- 10:15-10:30** Refreshment Break
- 10:30-noon** Panel: Experiences with First Nation-Led CBFM Initiatives
Moderator, Dr. Peggy Smith, Faculty of Natural Resources Management, Lakehead University
Northeast Superior CBFM Initiative: *Colin Lachance, Secretariat, Northeast Superior Regional Chief's Forum*
Haida Nation Community Forest: *Archie Stocker, Haida Nation, British Columbia*
Cree-Quebec Forestry Board (Conseil Cris-Québec Foresterie): *Geoff Quaile, Grand Council of the Cree of Northern Quebec*
- 12:00 -1:00** Lunch (provided) and Graduate Student Poster Session

¹ The Forest Tenure and Economics Branch of the Ministry of Natural Resources first set up a Forest Industry Working Group to consult on forest tenure reform. Then they established a First Nation Working Group. In April 2012, at the request of Peggy Smith of NOSCP and Desneiges Larose of the Hearst Economic Development Corporation, the MNR set up a Community Working Group to advise on tenure reform.

1:00 – 4:00 “Talking Circle”: *Facilitated by Larry McDermott, Aboriginal Representative, National Council & Biodiversity Caucus Steering Committee Co-Chair, Canadian Environmental Network*

- 1) Supporting CBFM initiatives
- 2) Influencing policy makers
- 3) Building a Canadian research and practice network for CBFM

4:30 – 5:00 Reflection & Next Steps