



20 MAY 2026

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and Introduction
Rafal Chudy, FBA

SESSION: NATURE CREDITS AND THE GROWING ROLE OF FORESTRY

Moderator: Rafal Chudy, FBA

9:10 – 9:30 Can the Forestry Sector Play a Bigger Role in Society?
David Brand, Managing Director, Arborcrest Investments

9:30 – 9:50 Biodiversity Credits and Forest Finance: New Opportunities and Challenges
Andreas Stephan, Linnaeus University

9:50 – 10:10 Evaluation of Forest Groundwater Recharge Function and Support for Forest Management through Water Credits in Japan.
Yoriyuki Yamada, Kajima Corporation

10:10 – 10:40 Coffee Break

10:40 – 12:00 PANEL: Integrating Biodiversity and Nature Credits into Investment Portfolios
Moderator: Andreas Stephan, Linnaeus University

Panelists:

- *Jan Ceyssens, European Commission*
- *Tapani Pakhasalo, Dasos Capital*
- *Krzysztof Wypij, Bureau Veritas Certification Holding*
- *Timothy Male, Environmental Policy Innovation Center*

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch Break at Sheraton Sopot Hotel

SESSION: GLOBAL FOREST INVESTMENTS

Moderator: Bob Izlar, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

GLOBAL BLOCK

13:00 – 13:20 Forestry Investments in a Changing World
Constantin Freiherr von Wendt, Salm Global Land

13:20 – 13:40 Global Assessment of Forest Investment Profitability and Carbon Economics
Jacek Siry, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA BLOCK

13:40 – 14:00 Perspectives for Investments in Commercial Reforestation and Forest Restoration in Latin America
Christian Held, Unique Land Use

14:00 – 14:20 Trends in Forest Investments in Uruguay
Virginia Morales Olmos, University of the Republic

14:20 – 14:40 Understanding the Southern U.S. Timber Supply Chain: Challenges, Opportunities, and EUDR Compliance

Timothy Miller, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

14:40 – 15:00 Coffee Break

BALTIC RIM BLOCK

Moderator: Virginia Morales Olmos, University of the Republic

15:00 – 15:20 From Fragmented Forest Assets to Transparent Data-Driven Portfolios Across the Baltic Region.
Julius Riepsas, Woodstem

15:20 – 15:40 Scaling Timberland Investments in the Baltics: Portfolio Build-up, Investor Capital, and Market Perspectives.

Dzintars Salavs, 1AM

15:40 – 16:30 Coffee debrief and networking

16:00 – 19:00 RELAX TIME / BUSINESS MEETINGS

19:00 OFFICIAL GALA DINNER – BALTIC PANORAMA

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NORDICS BLOCK

9:00 – 9:20 Nordic Timberland as a Strategic Investment
Kari Kangas United Bankers

9:20 – 9:40 Finland – Safe Haven of Forest Returns
Lauri Tenhunen, Conifer Consulting

9:40 – 10:00 The Swedish Forestry Property Market
Niklas Lundberg, Svefa Forest & Agriculture

SESSION: FORESTRY AS A NATURAL CLIMATE SOLUTION

Moderator: Jacek Siry, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

10:00 – 10:20 Integrating Carbon, Biodiversity, and Conservation objectives into private forest management - a market mechanism

David Walters, Green Diamond Resource Company

10:20 – 10:40 Coffee Break



10:40 – 12:00 PANEL: The Business of Forest Carbon Markets

Moderator: Jacek Siry, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

- *Axelle Ducos, Land Life*
- *Arnaud Filhol, France Valley Investments*
- *Lucero Hidalgo Garcia, Anew Climate*
- *Peter Chappell, Finnfund*

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SESSION: APPLIED SCIENCE

Moderator: Rafal Chudy, FBA

13:00 – 13:20 Growing the Next Generation of Forestry Professionals: Trends, Education, and Industry Engagement

Erin Lincoln, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

13:20 – 13:40 Building Competence through Science–Industry Collaboration: Forest Sector Initiatives in Sweden

Andreas Stephan, Linnaeus University

SESSION: NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN FORESTRY

Moderator: Erin Lincoln, Harley Langdale, Jr. Center for Forest Business, University of Georgia

13:40 – 14:00 Forestry Intelligence: Unlocking Supply Chain Insight Through AI, Optimization, and Connected Data
Doug Jones & Pablo Asiron, Remsoft

14:00 – 14:20 New Technology Using NFI Data to Help Forest Owners Estimate High Integrity Carbon Credits.
Gustav Bendz, Noora

14:20 – 14:40 Drones and LiDAR: Plantation Inventories at a New Altitude in Paraguay
Janne Antikainen, Unique Land Use

14:40 – 15:00 De-Risking Your Forestry Investment - The Critical Role of Fungi in Forest Establishment
Toby Parkes, Rhizocore Technologies

15:00 – 15:10 Closing Remarks

15:10 – 16:00 Adjourn and Coffee

Please note that the agenda is subject to change and will be updated continuously up to the conference.