



## **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, 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 and Biodiversity Credit Alliance Task Force*

#### **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** Ground Truth: Forest Operations and Investment Readiness in Uruguay.  
*Andrés Normey, La Bifurcada Forestal – Operativa e Inversiones*

**14:40 – 15:00** 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*

**15:00 – 15:20 Coffee Break**

**BALTIC RIM BLOCK**

*Moderator: Virginia Morales Olmos, University of the Republic*

**15:20 – 15:40** From Fragmented Forest Assets to Transparent Data-Driven Portfolios Across the Baltic Region.  
*Julius Riepsas, Woodstem*

**15:40 – 16:00** Scaling Timberland Investments in the Baltics: Portfolio Build-up, Investor Capital, and Market Perspectives.  
*Dzintars Salavs, 1AM*

**16:00 – 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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**SESSION: GLOBAL FOREST INVESTMENTS**

*Moderator: Virginia Morales Olmos, University of the Republic*

**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*
- *Tianhan Ji, FMO*

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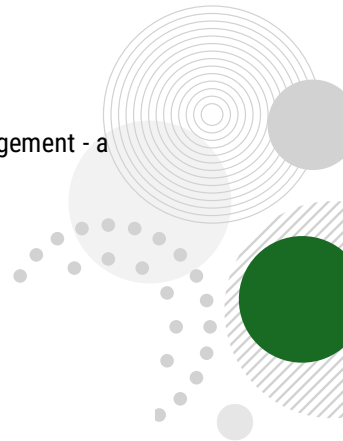
**SESSION: APPLIED SCIENCE**

*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  
*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.*