



Poster Sessions

Posters relating to the Congress themes will be displayed throughout the Congress. Guidelines for preparing posters for the Congress are provided below. The final program with specific information on poster sessions will be posted on the Congress Website in late June. All accepted abstracts of authors who have registered for the Congress by the 30 April deadline will be published by the XXIII IUFRO World Congress in a special volume of *The International Forestry Review*.

How to Prepare Your Scientific Poster

It is important that you carefully read and observe these guidelines in order to ensure that your poster meets the required standards and effectively communicates your work.

Facilities at the Congress Centre:

Scientific posters will be presented throughout the Congress on panels in the main Poster Exhibition Hall, organized by Congress theme and, in some cases, by technical session title:

- Poster panels will be 95cm (37 inches) wide and 242cm (95 inches) long.
- Each poster will be assigned a unique number which will be posted on the poster panel.
- Poster board number, location, and days and times to install and remove posters will be communicated to presenters prior to the Congress.

Poster requirements and recommendations:

Poster size and orientation:

- Size: A0 (84 cm x 119 cm)
- Portrait (i.e., vertical) orientation only!



Language:

- Posters may be in any official IUFRO language (English, Spanish, French or German), but English is strongly preferred.

Poster content (obligatory):

- Title of the poster
- Full names and affiliations of all authors, including e-mail address of at least one author
- Introduction: a few brief sentences that state the purpose of the study
- Methods: a list or flow chart
- Results: Illustrations, tables, figures, graphs, and photos accompanied by a simple statement
- Discussion: a list or summary paragraph of conclusions
- References: If you feel references are essential, include no more than two or three

Illustrations

- Ideally, illustrations (photos, figures, tables & graphs) should dominate your poster. These should be at least 13 x 18 cm (5 x 7 inches).
- Use high quality illustrations of sufficient resolution. Captions and labels on visuals should be readable from a distance of two meters. Graphs and figures should be simple - avoid unnecessary detail.
- Graphs are preferred over tables.
- Avoid tables with excessive information. As a guideline, you should consider the following question "Do I need to present all the information in the table for a reader to understand why I reached the conclusions that I did?"

Recommended fonts and font sizes:

- Choose a readable, sufficiently large font, (e.g., Arial, minimum 28 points) for the text.

Arial 28 looks like this:

Sample of Arial font, 28 points

- Main title: 100 points or larger
- Sub-title: 36 points
- Main text: minimum 28 points
- References: minimum 24 points
- Do not use more than two font types!

Useful tips:

- Print your poster on a standard sheet of paper. If you can read all of it comfortably, your type sizes are right. The small print version will also serve as a handout.
- Choose a column format to make your poster easier to read in a crowd.
- Consider your target audiences and simplify your message for those who do not have much knowledge about your field of research! Be brief. Express your ideas in a concise form.
- Have one clear message and do not try to communicate every detail!