welcome to the
Global Forest Biodiversity Initiative

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Thank you GFBI for joining FECS

Shared vision which is a good basis for cooperation:

Global Change, requires greater involvement of Science
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an example
Example: Zhao's plots

three permanent field plots of 10 ha each: all trees >1 cm, mapped.

Big plots are useful for studying scale dependence
Tree-mapped plots are useful for spatial context

The BFU Observational Network
We share a vision:

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Global Perspective, support underprivileged regions
Potential for future cooperation: GFBI & FECS
Forest Ecosystems, -

what are our editorial ambitions?
Why is there a need for a new journal?
need for an additional platform (existing journals “inundated”)
need to serve underprivileged regions
need for a paperless publication process (Open Access)

What are our editorial ambitions?
forests - a massive research area, constantly evolving
human activities, a dominant feature of ecosystem dynamics
reduced emphasis on highly specialised studies

How to achieve these ambitions
commitment to regional diversity and a global perspective
an influential and dedicated Editorial Board
support regions with no easy access to western-based journals
Who is involved?

Dr. Zhang TieMing

Dr. Zhao XiuHai

Dr. Li Hui

Dr. Cheng Xi

Ms Huang Zhen

Dr. Tom Hazenberg
Who is involved?

5 Senior Handling Editors

members selected for reputation, research direction and geographical coverage
from March 2014 until July 2017 (40 months)

on average 10.9 submissions per month

(rejection rate: 0.76)

2.45 manuscripts published per month

Average time to acceptance: 72 days (?)

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