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Preface

Natural resources such as forest ecosystems offer many functions. Apart from the production of wood and non-wood products, forest ecosystems play an essential role in climate regulation and carbon sequestration, biodiversity, water and soil conservation, rural development, the protection of cultural values. Unfortunately, these ecosystems always been disturbed by natural disasters and human activities; such as wildfires, pests, overexploitation for production of raw materials and conversion into other land uses, throughout the history of the mankind. Nowadays, they face somewhat new issues including climate change and desertification. 80 countries with 40% of the world's population are already suffering from water shortages. At the end, we all pay the price for all these destructions and adverse developments in forest ecosystems.

In this context, we are pleased to host the "International Symposium on New Horizons in Forestry". This symposium aimed to provide a platform for the exchange of interdisciplinary scientific information, as well as offering an open forum for the discussion on the issues related to forestry, in light of new developments. During the three-day symposium, 148 oral and 97 poster presentations were presented in 35 sessions at 5 halls. I wish that this symposium will improve our understanding of forest ecosystems and its components, and in return help us resolve some of the problems related to our environment.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the participants for their invaluable contribution during this event.

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