



**Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents the International Forestry Achievement Award to Dr. Guangyu Wang of Vancouver, BC**

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**Pembroke, ON - Tuesday, October 8, 2019** – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is pleased to announce Dr. Guangyu Wang of Vancouver, BC and the CIF-IFC Vancouver Section as the 2019 recipient of the International Forestry Achievement Award. The award was presented at the 2019 CIF-IFC Annual Awards Banquet held on October 7, 2019 at the Germania Club in Pembroke, ON.

“The International Forestry Achievement Award recognizes individuals who have made unique and outstanding contributions or achievements in international forestry,” noted Luc M. Rainville, President, CIF-IFC, “the Award recognizes that Canada is a world leader in the practice of forestry and appreciates the actions of individuals who have shared this leadership with other nations, and has the objective of encouraging excellence and cooperation in international forestry.”

Dr. Guangyu Wang is Associate Dean, Associate Professor, Director of Asian Forest Research Centre with the Department of Forest Resources Management at the University of British Columbia. One of his major research focuses involves examining Chinese forest management practices, where he has been able to develop novel management plans and sustainable management models for Chinese forests. Furthermore, Dr. Wang is currently involved in several research projects related to climate change, forest adaptation and carbon market mechanisms. He has been instrumental in connecting BC and the Canadian Forestry sector with China and in developing connections with forestry universities. His leadership and expertise have greatly contributed to promoting cross-cultural understanding of forestry and cooperation in the forest sector between Canada, China and the Asia Pacific region.

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with a professional interest in forestry. The Institute’s 19 sections strive to provide national leadership in forestry, promote competency among forestry professionals, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry issues.

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