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Schlich Forestry Medal presented to Jeff Sansome of Saint George's, Newfoundland

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 – Cornerbrook, NL – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) announced its 2013 national award recipients at a gala banquet held at the Pepsi Centre in Corner Brook yesterday. Several hundred CIF-IFC members from across Canada were in attendance for the Institute's 105th conference and annual general meeting. CIF-IFC President Mr. Michel Vallée presented the internationally respected Schlich Medal to Mr. Jeff Sansome of Saint George's, Newfoundland.

The Schlich Medal was established by the Commonwealth Forestry Association in memory of Sir William Schlich, who was Inspector General of Forests in India and the first Professor of Forestry at Oxford University, founding the Forestry School there in 1905. It is presented in several countries annually. The Institute is entrusted to present the award to an outstanding student at a Canadian university or college each year.

This year's recipient, Mr. Jeff Sansome is highly deserving of this honour. Jeff is currently in the process of completing the forest resource technician program at the College of the North Atlantic. He is also supporting a new family, and despite the many demands on his time, he is near the top of his class in academics. He chose to do the forest resource technician program primarily as a result of his love of the outdoors and everything to do with nature. Jeff hopes to use the knowledge gained from the program to continue his education in natural resource management and conservation.

The Canadian Institute of Forestry was established in 1908 and currently has over 2300 members. The Institute is the national voice of forest practitioners, promoting science based sustainable forest management, public awareness of interdisciplinary forestry, and a better understanding of good forest stewardship.

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