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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Welcome to the 2026 Annual Meeting of the Forests Livelihoods: Assessment, Research, and Engagement (FLARE) Network! This is FLARE's 12th Annual Meeting and we are thrilled to gather in Bilbao, in the Basque Country in northern Spain. The meeting is hosted by the University of Deusto, the Keough School of Global Affairs and its Pulte Institute for Global Development at the University of Notre Dame, home to the FLARE Secretariat.

The theme of this year's conference is **Forests as Spaces of Hope and Solidarity**. Forests worldwide are symbols of hope. Hope, not as passive optimism or blind faith, but rather as a courageous commitment to possibility amidst uncertainty. Forests are also literal spaces of hope for hundreds of millions of people around the world who rely on them for their livelihoods and well-being. Hope can inspire collective action and mutual support. Hope and solidarity are needed to conserve, restore, and sustainably manage forests. But contemporary challenges—wanton disregard of social norms, stubborn violence, yawning inequality, technology-fueled alienation, climate breakdown, and more—conspire to undermine hope and solidarity. Yet hope persists, manifesting in new forms of solidarity and collective action toward better futures.

This year's FLARE Annual Meeting tackles these various dimensions of hope and solidarity in relation to forests and livelihoods. It does so through a rich program of plenary and parallel sessions and a range of modalities, including posters, roundtable discussions, organized symposia, mini-workshops, and more. For the first time, the conference includes a photography exhibition, featuring the Cofán community of Ecuador, and a Txikiteo (Basque social tradition of walking and talking while enjoying food and drink at different venues).

The meeting will also address the following **sub-themes**:

- Forest livelihoods amidst (geo)political change
- Forest governance from local to global
- Forests, trees and human well-being: New methods and collaborative approaches
- Green energy transitions
- Forests, equality, and justice
- Forest livelihoods in a changing climate
- Tree-based (socio)bioeconomies
- Beyond the forest: trees and human well-being from farm to city
- Biodiversity conservation and forest lifeways

ABOUT THE MEETING HOSTS

FLARE Network

The Forests & Livelihoods: Assessment, Research, and Engagement (FLARE) Network was launched just prior to the landmark climate Conference of Parties (COP) in Paris in 2015. The mission of FLARE is to advance knowledge at the intersection of forests and livelihoods and facilitate its application to policy and practice. Through annual meetings, working groups, impact assessments, and other research and engagement efforts, FLARE seeks to create and nurture a vibrant global community of practice to understand, imagine, and help bring about more just and sustainable futures for people and forests. The FLARE Secretariat is based in the Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame.

University of Notre Dame

Founded in 1842, Notre Dame is a leading research university in the United States that offers undergraduate, professional, and graduate students a unique academic environment animated by Catholic social teaching. Animated from its origins by the Congregation of Holy Cross, the University supports a diverse community of students, teachers, and scholars who seek to advance knowledge in a search for truth while creating a sense of human solidarity and concern for the common good that will bear fruit as learning becomes service to justice. The University of Notre Dame is located adjacent to South Bend, Indiana, the center of a metropolitan area with a population of more than 315,000. It also operates a global network of 12 academic centers in major international cities, including Beijing, London, Mumbai, Nairobi, São Paulo, and Rome.



Keough School of Global Affairs

The Donald R. Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame advances integral human development through research, policy, and practice; transformative educational programs; and partnerships for global engagement. Founded in 2014, the Keough School builds on the strengths of 9 institutes focused on international research, scholarship, and education. The Keough School addresses some of the world's greatest challenges, with particular emphasis on developing effective and ethical responses to poverty, war, disease, political oppression, environmental degradation, and other threats to human flourishing. The School offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in global affairs, with concentrations in governance and policy, peace studies, and sustainable development.

Pulte Institute for Global Development

The Pulte Institute for Global Development — an integral part of the Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame — brings together faculty renowned for teaching and research excellence with a dedicated team of experienced international development professionals to shape research, policy, and action on key contemporary global development challenges. Through research, formation, and translation, together with civil society, government, private sector partners, the Pulte Institute seeks to foster a world free of poverty through the mutual flourishing of people and planet.

University of Deusto

The University of Deusto is committed to serving society through its work as a university guided by a Christian approach to today's realities. Its driving forces are wisdom and knowledge with scientific rigour and methodology, with its main focus on achieving excellence in research and teaching. Its most genuine contribution to society comes from educating free-thinking individuals and skilled professionals who become responsible citizens, grounded in values, equipped with abilities, and committed to advancing knowledge and driving social transformation. To achieve this social impact and strive for a fairer world, the University of Deusto relies on partnerships that strengthen its mission.

Since its foundation, the University of Deusto has been connected to the mission of the Society of Jesus, forming part of a global university network and upholding an educational tradition centered on the person as the highest value. It also shares a commitment to promoting justice, respect for life, human rights, the fair distribution of resources, peace, and the protection of nature as our common home.

With a universal vocation and a broad commitment to humanity, Deusto feels a special closeness to Basque society, which it seeks to serve as a university institution in its cultural, social, technical, and economic needs. The University of Deusto views university life as a community of women and men striving to foster a model of coexistence where respectful dialogue promotes collaboration and friendship.



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Finally, a note of gratitude to the family and friends of the FLARE Secretariat. Without their unconditional support, we could not succeed in our work with the wonderful group of people who comprise the FLARE Network.

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DAY 01

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

LOCATION	Auditorium Cloister	Room 2 (Garate)
16:00 - 17:00	2026 FLARE Annual Meeting Check-In	Early-Career Mixer

17:00 - 17:30

Opening Remarks — Auditorium

Dr. Daniel Miller, FLARE Coordinator

Basque Government Representatives - Vice Chancellor of Technology

Juan José Etxeberria, University of Deusto Rector

17:30 - 19:00

Opening Roundtable — Auditorium

on "Forests as Spaces of Hope and Solidarity"

Felipe Borman, Executive Director of Fundación Sobrevivencia Cofán

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19:00 - 20:30

Welcome Reception and Poster Session — Cloister

Join us for a cocktail reception and to interact with the poster session presenters. The opening reception is free, but ticketed. Attendance is not mandatory, but it is a great way to meet your fellow attendees.

Beyond Journal Articles: Engaging Policymakers in Forests and Livelihoods Research (#392)	Creating and conducting powerful encounters in the Amazon: Lessons from the Power of Connections project (#281)	Building the evidence base for supply chain initiatives: Towards more effective and inclusive forest governance tools (#390)

END OF DAY 1

**If you already received your name tag at the Welcome Reception, you do not need to check-in on Thursday morning.

If you are checking in with your poster presentation, please notify one of the FLARE Team Members.

DAY 02

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

8:30 - 9:30

Cloister

Registration Check-in to collect your name badge.

9:30 - 11:00

Session name	Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Parallel session 1	Extraction and Illicit Economies in Forest Frontiers **Moderated by Johan Oldekop**	The Importance of Imagery: Using Image-Based Technologies for Indigenous Forest Protection, Scholarship, Cultural Transmission, and Storytelling **Moderated by Michael Cepek**	More Than a Carbon Sink: Centering Culture and Agency in Global Forest Adaptation (#176) **Moderated by Karen Bailey**	Forest Carbon, Payments and Benefit-sharing **Moderated by Gladman Thondhlana**	Forest Landscape Resoration: Practice and Outcomes Beyond Trees **Moderated by Hal Fischer**
	The Welfare Costs of Mining Exposure in Ghana: Licensed, Unlicensed, and Downstream Evidence from a Hydrological Treatment Framework (#45) **Presented by Matilda Kabutey-Ongor**		Criar el Bosque: Provision, Recognition, and the Limits of Forest Reforms in Bolivia (#186) **Presented by Patricia Uberhuaga**	Benefit-Sharing in Forest Carbon Projects: Lessons from Private Sector-Led Afforestation and Reforestation Projects in Laos (#286) **Presented by Shakura Bashir**	Does Forest Landscape Restoration Improve Wellbeing? Micro-Level Evidence from Rural Ethiopia (#118) **Presented by Vianny Ahimbisibwe**
	How do you Fight Money? Illegal Gold Mining, Communities, and the State in the Peruvian Amazon (#280) **Presented by Juan Luis Dammert**		"Without nature we could not live": exploring perceptions of Kichwa-led agroforestry at the Ecuadorian Amazonian frontier (#53) **Presented by Katie Hutchinson**	The additionality of self-defined socioecological resilience in forest-based carbon offsets: evidence from an Indigenous-led organization in Mexico (#184) **Presented by Andrea Alatorre, Elizabeth Shapiro-Garza**	Beyond the Individual Decision: Adoption Determinants and Welfare Effects of Forest Landscape Restoration Practices in Western Rwanda (#297) **Presented by Susanne Vögele**
	Formalization, livelihoods, and uneven environmental risk in a forested ASGM frontier in the Philippines (#272) **Presented by Maria Eugenia Robles Mengoa**		Beyond Social Fencing: Rethinking and Reframing Community Forestry in Nepal's Changing Socio-Economic Context (#187) **Presented by Sony Baral**	Resolving the stewardship paradox in biodiversity crediting markets (#147) **Presented by Lourdes Falen**	Diversifying Reforestation. Circulating Seeds and Knowledge in an Altered Archipelago (#232) **Presented by Christopher Abra**
	Rethinking the Balloon Effect: Alternative Development Programs and the Expansion of Coca Crops and Deforestation (#60) **Presented by Maria Alejandra Velez**		Weaving Resilience: Communal Resource Management, Customary law and Institutional learning in Khasi Society of Meghalaya, India (#276) **Presented by Stella Topno**	Problematising the concept of "benefits" in CBNRM (#99) **Presented by Gladman Thondhlana**	Restoration as Spaces of Hope: Social Realities of Restoration Across Diverse Contexts (#12) **Presented by Anamika Menon**
	What Brownfield Expansion Means for Forests, Land and People (#394) **Presented by Deanna Kemp**		Examining forest governance in the northeastern US and British Columbia, Canada: Local participation and livelihood impacts across two North American contexts (#182) **Presented by Reilly Becchina**	Examining the intersection of forest carbon rights and forest carbon investment-related risks: the Philippines, Laos and Vietnam (#116) **Presented by Yingshan Lau**	Lived experiences, values and visions in (re)imagining restoration practices: insights from Himachal Pradesh, India (#245) **Presented by Dhwani Lalai**

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister

11:30 - 13:00 Parallel session 2 — Session name

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Monitoring, evidence and inclusion in forest landscapes **Moderated by Terry Sunderland**	Weaving Nature-Human Relations in the Basque Country: Forests, Language, History and Culture **Moderated by Unai Pascual**	Community Forestry, Conflict and Institutions **Moderated by Reem Hajjar**	Shifting the gaze - the 'invisible' drivers and impacts of the loss of biocultural diversity in forest landscapes (#370) **Moderated by Torsten Krause**	Beyond 'Green': Justice and Belonging in Forest Transitions **Moderated by Laura Sauls**
Post-intervention persistence and permanence of agroforestry practices in the tropics: A systematic review (#260) **Presented by Sarah Castle**	**Presented by Nahia Bengoetxea**	Identity, Property Rights and Deforestation in Post-Conflict Frontiers (#346) **Presented by Paula Sarmiento**	Mähttse – how to balance production, restoration and conservation in multifunctional forests on Indigenous Sámi pastoral lands (#166) **Presented by David Harnesk**	A just transition away from drivers of deforestation: The case for "unranching" the Amazon (#304) **Presented by Mairon G. Bastos Lima**
Living landscape: A new ecology of patch dynamics and human-wildlife encounters in the Nepal Himalaya (#347) **Presented by Binod Adhikari**	**Presented by Iñaki Etxebeste Larrañaga**	Concessionary logics and the failure of community forestry in Gabon (#352) **Presented by Zhou Wen**	The visible and invisible drivers of biocultural loss in the Amazon (#227) **Presented by Torsten Krause**	An Action-Oriented Research Agenda for Forests and Just Transitions (#215) **Presented by Sandra Barragan-Contreras**
A global pixel-level evaluation of reforestation outcomes, 2000-2020 (#120) **Presented by Sandy Nofyanza**	**Presented by Iñaki Sanz-Azkue**	Theoretical constellations of institutions-cum-actors in forestland governance: Policy implications for some Global South contexts (#157) **Presented by Jude Kimengsi**	The Mocoa Project: Territorial conflict and mineral exploration in the Colombian Andinoamazonia (#356) **Presented by Juan Antonio Samper**	"We are Still the Owners of this Land": Work and Belonging Among Plantation Trees and Plantation Logics in Sierra Leone (#39) **Presented by Catherine Bolten**
Assessing the Social Impacts of Digital Forest Monitoring in Low-Tech Contexts: Evidence from the Peruvian Amazon (#219) **Presented by Maartje de Jong**	**Presented by Alvaro Aragón**	Community Forest Management in a Post-War Context: Identifying Critical Conditions for Successful Forest Protection in Cambodia (#294) **Presented by Reem Hajjar**	Climate-driven fire futures across Indigenous lands in the forested tropics (#372) **Presented by Rachel Carmenta**	Creating and conducting powerful encounters in the Amazon: Lessons from the Power of Connections project (#281) **Presented by Pilar Useche**
A three-pronged approach for advancing Gender Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion across FORest-related sectors (ForGEDI) (#248) **Presented by Rattiya Lippe**	**Presented by Unai Pascual**		Lessons from Indigenous governance models for territorial control, community well-being, and the protection of ancestral lands in Madre de Dios, Peru (#290) **Presented by Armando Valdés-Velásquez**	Economies That Matter: A Shared Research and Action Agenda for Community-Led Forest Economies (#401) **Presented by Carrick Reddin**
Where, When, and by Whom: Co-producing Fire Governance in Conservation Hotspots (#41) **Presented Eliott Convey-Fisher**			What Brownfield Expansion Means for Forests, Land and People (#377) **Presented by Ms Krystyna Swiderska**	
Governing Fire: A Comparative Institutional Analysis of Wildfire Management Regimes in South America and Europe (#87) **Presented by Gabriela Huidobro**				
The Evolution and Future Direction of the International Forestry Resources and Institutions (IFRI) Research Network (#400) **Presented by Apurva Duddu** Yale University				

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch Break — Cloister

13:30 - 14:30 Journal Editors Roundtable — Auditorium

14:30 - 15:45 — Session name: Parallel session 3

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018
Mangrove Forests and Coastal Communities: Interdisciplinary approaches for sustainable management (#177) **Moderated by Menelisi Falayi**	Research to Policy Impact Mini-workshop **Moderated by Alex Towns**	Governing Sociobioeconomies: Inclusive Value Chains, Ethical Trade and Socioenvironmental Contributions (#158) **Moderated by Gabriela Russo Lopes**	Women in Forest Leadership Roles **Moderated by Rattiya Lippe**
African Youth Engagement with Mangrove Environments in a Changing Climate (#168) **Presented by Janine Hunter**		Sociobiodiversity value chains and ethical trade in the Brazilian Amazon: The role of mediating institutions (#238) **Presented by Gabriela Russo Lopes**	Women-Led Local Forest Governance in Himalaya: An Innovative Experience of Transforming Climate Risk into Hope and Solidarity Through Ecosystem Restoration and Livelihood Reliance in Underdeveloped Mountains (#82) **Presented by Prakash Chandra Tiwari**
One Coast, Many Governors: Institutional Fragmentation and Mangrove Forest Governance in Ghana (#178) **Presented by Menelisi Falayi**		Enabling inclusive bioeconomy in the Amazon: Challenges and Opportunities (#132) **Presented by Fabio de Castro**	What explains gendered employment in forest-related occupations? Empirical insights from the Labour Force Survey across ten European economies (#155) **Presented by Rattiya Lippe**
Livelihood Dynamics, Mangrove Resource Use, and Human Well-Being in Coastal Ghana: Insights from Participatory Approaches. (#201) **Presented by Vincent Egbenya**		Making Visible Amazonia's Largest Bioeconomy: Mapping Açaí Agroforestry with Ethnographically Grounded Remote Sensing and Deep Learning (#361) **Presented by Sacha Siani**	Rebuilding Wellbeing: Women's role in land management and forest-based livelihoods in Post-Conflict Colombia (#150) **Presented by Deborah Pierce**
Community-based mangrove management in Papua, Indonesia: Assessing gender-based perceptions of ecosystem services for improved communities' livelihoods (#69) **Presented by Nurhani Widiastuti**		Sustainable Value Chains and livelihood upgrading: The paradox of coffee specialisation in Timor-Leste (#257) **Presented by Bjørge Bondevik**	Starter Kit for Gender Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (GEDI) Research in the Forest Sector: A Systematic Scoping Review (#213) **Presented by Rocio Melina Garcia**

15:45 - 16:15 Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister

16:15 - 17:45 — Plenary

Auditorium

Keynote Session **by Prof. Eduardo S. Brondizio**

END OF DAY 2

DAY 03

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

9:00 - 9:30

Cloister

Registration Check-in

9:30 - 11:00

Parallel session 4 — Session name

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Forests, Trees, and Human Well-being Dynamics **Moderated by Victorine Che Thöner**	Governing Restoration and monitoring **Moderated by Rose Pritchard**	Customary, Indigenous and Relational Governance **Moderated by Krister Andersson**	Forest Futures: Hope, Values and Creative Methods **Moderated by Cat Bolten**	Deforestation-free Supply Chains and Trade Rules **Moderated by Clare Sullivan**
Reframing social policy: Integrating Nature's Contributions to People (NCP) into Mexico's Multidimensional Poverty Framework (#195) **Presented by Israel Banegas González, Dario Galindo**	Different remotely sensed datasets reveal variable linkages between afforestation programs and tree cover outside of forests in India (#110) **Presented by Pooja Choksi**	Governance of Sacred Forests in Western Cameroon (#8) **Presented by Jessica Cyntia Gansonkeng Zambou**	Building "Restoration Futures": From Ecological Repair to Creative Transformations (#264) **Presented by Harry Fischer**	Europe's Green Law in the Amazon: How the EUDR Rewrites Forestland and Legality in Peru (#94) **Presented by Pablo Peña**
Healthy Landscapes, Healthy Communities: One Health Pathways Across Forest and Dryland Livelihoods (#43) **Presented by Victorine Sirri Che Thöner**	Restoration of Ghana's degraded and deforested landscapes: An analysis of coherence and contradictions in forest landscape restoration policy and regulatory mixes (#96) **Presented by Raphael Owusu**	Global Forest Relational Governance: Entangling Visible and Invisible Dimensions in Sacred Forest Cosmoecology (#135) **Presented by Alessandra Manzini**	Creative and Artistic Approaches for Exploring Plural Values and Forest Futures (#325) **Presented by Julia Smachylo**	Estimating smallholder farmer exclusion from forest governance mechanisms in global supply chains (#218) **Presented by Charlotte Sedlock**
LLM-Assisted Systematic Review of the Impacts of Forest-Based Interventions and Poverty in China (#328) **Presented by Juntong Liu**	Combination methods for estimating tree cover changes in global restoration plots using remotely sensed data products (#153) **Presented by Cole JP Seither**	Gobernar los bosques, desplazar la autoridad: regímenes de conservación y autonomía territorial indígena en el Perú (#360) **Presented by Karla Flores**	Restoration beyond trees: values, motivations and aspirations from the Ngäbe-Buglé Indigenous Comarca, Panama (#221) **Presented by Paula López-Vargas**	Exploring different actors' perspectives on the effectiveness of zero-deforestation commitments in Brazil, Cameroon, and Indonesia. (#161) **Presented by Malaika Pauline Yanou**
Do Poverty Interventions Generate Transformative Change? A Review Study Applied to RCT Evidence from Low- and Middle-Income Countries (#214) **Presented by Adriana Molina-Garzón**	Context-dependent drivers of global natural tree cover gain: From forest turnover to lasting regeneration (#172) **Presented by Katie Devenish**	One territory, many voices, and yet common ground to be found in the Amazon; Perspectives on Nature's Contributions to People in Tambopata, Peru (#203) **Presented by Liselot Lange**	Hope for forests: Insights from participatory visioning in Mahalevona Valley, Madagascar (#254) **Presented by R. Ntsiva N. Andriatsitohaina**	Who Farms the Amazon? Supply Chain Agreements and the Spatial Distribution of Beef Production (#324) **Presented by Livia Machado Costa**
Rooting for Words: An Analysis of Agroforestry Terminology in U.S. Forest Action Plans (#332) **Presented by Lord Ameyaw**	Evaluating the Impact of Drone (UAV Flight) Altitude on Classification Accuracy for Forest Restoration Monitoring in Malawi: A Case Study of Restoration areas in Lilongwe, Dedza and Mchinji Districts. (#382) **Presented by Judith Kamoto, Tadala Makuluni**	Biocultural conservation as an alternative pathway for conservation: A case study of the Inclusive Conservation Initiative in northern Kenya (#117) **Presented by Natalie York**	Love Ethics: Cariño/Amor as an Indigenous Amazonian Framework for Transformative Leadership and Planetary Renewal (#348) **Presented by Andrea Vasquez-Fernandez**	Shared commitments for forest livelihoods beyond forest-risk commodity trade: linking UK food security with soy (Brazil) and cocoa (Ghana) (#302) **Presented by Cláudia Coleoni, Lubasi Limweta**

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister | Charlotte Sedlock Group — Barandiaran

11:30 - 13:00 Parallel session 5

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Session name: Learning from doing: Lessons from implementing integrated landscape approaches (#177) **Moderated by James Reed**	Session name: Rights, restoration and community futures **Moderated by Sacha Siani**	Session name: Tracking Enabling Policy Environments for Local Community Livelihoods: Early Insights from a Comparative Performance Tool (#383) **Moderated by Krister Anderson**	Session name: Forest Landowner Engagement **Moderated by Sarah Castle**	Session name: Biodiversity Conservation in Working Landscapes **Moderated by Conghe Song**
Presented by James Reed	Spatial and Temporal Patterns of Forest Clearing under the Forest Rights Act (FRA) (#292) **Presented by Phani Devarakonda**		Understanding Forest Landowners' Perspectives on Revegetation Assistance Programs (#319) **Presented by Katherine Pivaral-Toledo**	Human-Wildlife Conflict in the Community Forest Landscapes in Nepal (#59) **Presented by Conghe Song**
Presented by Mirjam Ros-Tonen	Forest Rights to Weeds to Wealth: Transforming Livelihoods and Biodiversity in the Western Ghats (#265) **Presented by Siddappa Setty**		Navigating Complexity: Service Providers as Boundary Spanners in Forest Governance Systems (#335) **Presented by Tatyana Ruseva**	Management Priorities for North American Beaver (Castor canadensis) in a Rapidly Shifting Socioecological System (#127) **Presented by Luke Briccetti**
Presented by Terry Sunderland	Self-Strengthening in Action: How a pastoral community in India is shaping their future in a changing landscape (#48) **Presented by Neha Negi**		Networking and Collaborating in the Amazon: An Egocentric Social Network Analysis on Environmental Governance (#220) **Presented by Caterina Cosmopolis, Armando Valdés-Velásquez**	Cattle sector responsibility for bird conservation in a biodiversity hotspot (#393) **Presented by Clare Sullivan**
Presented by Alida Oconnor	Clarifying the connections between community experiences with, perceptions toward, and actions regarding protected areas (#154) **Presented by Thorkil Casse**		Challenges of collaborative peatland governance in Central Kalimantan, Indonesia: Notes from the field (#55) **Presented by Sandy Nofyanza**	Shifting cultivation in changing forests under social-ecological pressures in the Democratic Republic of Congo (#251) **Presented by Agnes Pranindita**
Presented by Cut Augusta	When Restoration Succeeds but People Leave: Arraigo, Power, and Forest–Livelihood Futures in Mexico (#124) **Presented by Mariana Hernandez Montilla**		The potential of participatory processes for collective action in environmental management amid wealth inequality. A systematic literature review (#298) **Presented by Juan Felipe Ortiz-Riomalo**	Interrogating the development of forest conservation areas in Vietnam: How political settlements analysis advances the understanding of conservation in developmental states (#349) **Presented by Duong Khuu**
	Territorio y futuro: discusión participativa con jóvenes de un ejido maya en Yucatán, México. (#234) **Presented by Valeria Romano**			
	Leadership Inspirations from the World Heritage Beech Forests (#365) **Presented by Jana Mikudová**			
	Tactics for improving internal governance of forest and farm producer organisations (#95) **Presented by Stephen Mwangi**			

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch Break — Cloister

13:30 - 14:30

Distributed research project on Commons and commoning **by Arun Agrawal** — Barandiaran

Changing Climate Working Group **by Karen Bailey** — Aula 018

Fires, Forests and People Working Group **by Rachel Carmenta and Eliott Convey-Fisher** — Aula 019

14:30 - 15:45 Session name: Parallel session 6

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Conservation Reimagined: An Innovative Session Exploring Anti-Oppressive Forest Futures (#261) **Moderated by Roberta Salmi**	El puerto de Chancay, ejes de conectividad y las implicaciones para la Amazonia Peruana (#329) **Moderated by Denise Bebbington**	Integrated Mountain Forest Governance (#92) **Moderated by Melina Garcia**	Land rights, tenure, and deforestation **Moderated by Laura Sauls**	Forest-livelihood research at a distance: negotiating data justice, ethics and best practice in the Big Data era **Moderated by Rose Pritchard** **Laura Sauls (George Mason University) - co-convening,** **Harry Fischer (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences),** **Pooja Choksi (Ficus Research Consulting),** **Sandra Barregan Contreras (University of Manchester)**
	Gobernanza de los bosques amazónicos bajo presión: ¿cómo el Puerto de Chancay intensifica los retos de la Carretera Interoceánica Sur? (#216) **Presented by Omar Yakov Narrea Rivas**	International Agreements in the Andean Patagonian Forests: A Comparative Analysis of Governance Models in Chile and Argentina (#212) **Presented by Rocio Melina Garcia**	Land Tenure Interventions, Title Uptake, and Forest Use: Evidence from Parcel-Level Data in Benin (#72) **Presented by Lauren Oliver**	
	El proyecto de Hidrovía como un caso de defensa de los ríos y bosques amazónicos en el Perú (#189) **Presented by Cesar Gamboa**	Understanding Mountain Forest Governance in Kyrgyzstan Using Socio-Ecological Analysis and Modelling (#190) **Presented by Klara Dzhakypbekova**	The Effect of Protected Area Expansion on Deforestation: The Case of Colombia (#263) **Presented by Camilo Pedraza Jiménez**	
	El puerto de Chancay y sus implicancias para la amazonia (#268) **Presented by Pilar Delpino Marimón**	Actor–Institutional Dynamics in the Management and Appropriation of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants in Nepal's Mountain Regions (#306) **Presented by Shambhu Charmakar**	Spatial Restriction and the Individualisation of Pastoral Practices in the Miombo Woodlands of Tanzania's Greater Mahale Ecosystem (#180) **Presented by Tarun Kakarala**	
	Forest Loss and Social Unrest in Peru: The Moderating Role of Local Environmental Governance (#249) **Presented by Sara Balestri**	Climate-Adaptive Forest Governance in Swiss Mountain Regions: Torn Between Restoration and Transition to Novelty (#285) **Presented by Tobias Schulz**	Critical Polycentric Governance: Indigenous Peoples' Tenure Security in India's Forest (#239) **Presented by Dipika Adhikari**	

15:45 - 16:15 Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister

16:15 - 17:45

Session name

Parallel session 7

Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor	Aula 018	Aula 019
Global Forest Goals and Livelihoods of Forest-dependent People **Moderated by Terry Sunderland, Peter Wood**	The attitudes that govern fire: mapping professional viewpoints across conservation landscapes (#44) **Moderated by Eliott Convey-Fisher**	Transforming REDD+ from Within: Power, Hope, and the reconfiguration of forest governance. (#327) **Moderated by Deborah Delgado**	Regenerative Pathways in the Peruvian Amazon: the role of diverse agroforestry to foster system transformation (#312) **Moderated by Merel Jansen**	Conservation Policy and Local Livelihoods **Moderated by Pablo Peña**
	Co-producing fire governance through Legislative Theatre: insights from participatory fire management in southeast Angola (#173) **Presented by Luisa Escobar-Alvarado**	Repoliticizing REDD+: Alliance-Making as Intervention in Carbon Markets by the Grupo Perú (#336) **Presented by Deborah Delgado Pugley**	Monitoring biodiversity response to agroforestry systems in Madre de Dios, Peru (#313) **Presented by Merel Jansen**	Conservation through Poverty Alleviation in a Madagascar Border Forest Catherine Craig and Rachel Kramer*CPALI, Rockville, MD, USA (#113) **Presented by Rachel Kramer**
	Speaking of fire: improving semantics to achieve new relationships with fire (#373) **Presented by Rachel Carmenta**	Beyond Participation: Institutional Design and Uneven Indigenous Power in REDD+ Governance in Loreto, Peru (#331) **Presented by Ariana Dongo**	Transforming Amazonian Agroforestry: Barriers and Solutions for Agrobiodiversity (#320) **Presented by Ramona Michel**	Does Local Forest Reliance Promote Forest Conservation? (#242) **Presented by Daniel Grandisky Lerner**
	Monitoring, Evidence and Inclusion in Forest Landscapes **Presented by Terry Sunderland**	Who Defines Conservation? Relationality, Belonging, and Territorial Co-optation as Sites of Epistemic and Political Transformation in Payments for Ecosystem Services (#334) **Presented by Sydney Noel Moss**	Evaluating the Effects of Agroforestry on Deforestation: A Spatial Analysis from the Peruvian Amazon (#314) **Presented by Elisabeth Lagneaux**	When National Conservation Policies Meet Local Livelihoods: Tensions and Institutional Dynamics in the Middle-Bafing Region (Guinea) (#269) **Presented by Faby Anne Gagné-Mimeault**
	Reframing fire to advance community-based and integrated fire management in the Peruvian Andes (#143) **Presented by Vanessa Luna-Celino**	Making the Invisible Matter: Onto-epistemic Justice at the Science–Policy Interface in Amazônia Governance (#256) **Presented by Taís Sonetti-González**	Economic viability of farmer-managed agroforestry systems in the Peruvian Amazon. (#273) **Presented by Noa Kurz**	Protected areas and traditional communities in the forefront of decarbonization processes: impacts on forest and human development (#175) **Presented by Lucas Alencar**
	The diverse roles of fire in food systems across forest landscapes (FireForFood) (#403) **Presented by Michaela Lo**		The Agroforestry Myth of Sustainable Cacao Production: Evidence from Madre de Dios, Peru (#318) **Presented by Julia Quaedvlieg**	The Peacebuilding Potential of Community Forestry (#114) **Presented by Jessica Steinberg**

20:00 - 22:30

Dinner Guggenheim Museum **Ticket Needed

Authentic Basque Pintxo-style Dinner: Traditional & Avant-Garde Gastronomy by Nerua, a Michelin-starred standard restaurant.

END OF DAY 3

DAY 04

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

9:30 - 11:00

	Barandiaran	Garate	Churruca - 5th floor
Parallel session 8	The gap between desire and practice – deepening collaborative research with rural, indigenous, and afro-descendent communities (#126) **Moderated by Margareta Nilsson, Anne Larson**	Commoning the Classroom **Moderated by Arun Agrawal**	Co-Reflecting on Tools: Bringing Local Values and Priorities into the Heart of Territorial Governance for Forested Landscapes **Moderated by Liselot Lange**

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister

Sustainable Ag. Working Group — Barandiaran

11:30 - 12:45

Session name	Forest livelihoods and (geo) political turbulence **Moderated by Anne Larson**	Understanding (Agro)Forest Reliance **Moderated by Judith Kamoto**	Financing Forests and Communities **Moderated by Margareta Nilsson**
Parallel session 9	A horizon scan of global issues on forests and livelihoods for 2026 (#119) **Presented by Johan Oldekop**	Trade Policy, Gendered Livelihoods, and Parkland Conservation: Assessing the Impacts of Nigeria's Raw Shea Nut Export Ban (#316) **Presented by Kudirat Abdulkareem**	What Counts as Investable? Bankability, The Commons, and Inequality in Forest Governance (#223) **Presented by Vivekan Jeyagaran**
	Changes in international forest cooperation among former Soviet Union states after the Russian takeover of Crimea (#309) **Presented by Sarah Burns**	A machine learning method for estimating global forest dependency. (#240) **Presented by Dimitrios Gounaridis**	Enacting Climate Finance Justice for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities? An Initial Analysis of the Dedicated Grant Mechanism (#258) **Presented by Laura Aileen Sauls**
	A Global Spatial Analysis of Deforestation and Political Leadership Approval (#310) **Presented by Eric Coleman**		CERS 2.0: Rating Community Conservation Enterprises and Building Digital Pathways to Forest Finance (#75) **Presented by Duarte Carvalho**
	Everyday Justice in Disassembled States: Forest Contestations in Times of Climate Transition (#63) **Presented by Seema Arora-Jonsson**	Avoiding forest degradation through sustainable honey production in the miombo, Mozambique (#174) **Presented by Annie Gregoire**	Successful conservation payments need sustained and adequate funding (#151) **Presented by Andrea Alatorre**

12:45 - 13:15 Coffee + Tea Break — Cloister

13:15 - 14:00

Awards and Closing Remarks — Auditorium

Closing Remarks from Dr. Anthony Bebbington, International Director for Natural Resources and Climate Change at the Ford Foundation

Daniel Miller, FLARE Coordinator

Student Award Announcements

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