

Call for Contributors:
**Overseas Forest Science and Technology R&D
Trends Report Led by Global Young Researchers**

We invite young researchers studying in Europe and the United States to contribute to our overseas trend reports on forest science and technology, written from close, on-the-ground knowledge of local developments. We look forward to your active participation.

October 6, 2026

President, Korea Forestry Promotion Institute

☐ **Overview**

- **(Purpose)** To identify global technology trends by engaging young researchers based in Europe and the United States to prepare on-the-ground reports on developments in forest science and technology.
- **(Eligibility)** Master's or doctoral students, or postdoctoral researchers, currently studying or conducting research in Europe or the United States.
- **(Number of Contributors)** 24
- **(Application Period)** October 6 - 30, 2026

□ Topic Areas

No.	Field	Description	Notes
1	Forest Disasters	Advanced technologies for effectively responding to forest disasters, including wildfires, landslides, and forest pests and diseases	
2	Forestry Management	Field-oriented technologies for advancing forest management, ensuring worker safety, and increasing the productivity of short-term income forest products	
3	Timber Industry	Technologies for the diverse utilization and higher-value use of timber resources, including processing, substitution for industrial materials, and wood construction	
4	Forest Biological Resources	Technologies for identifying the functional properties of forest biological resources and establishing a foundation for commercialization, including biofoundries and stable production systems	
5	Forest Environment	Technologies for conserving forest ecosystems, enhancing biodiversity, strengthening carbon-neutrality implementation, and responding to the climate crisis	
6	Forest Welfare	Technologies for improving access to forest services, strengthening linkages with healthcare, and establishing a foundation for the commercialization of forest welfare services	

※ The descriptions above are for reference only; applicants may freely propose and write on innovative technologies within each field.

□ Selection Criteria

Category	Points	Description
Relevance	20	▸ The extent to which the applicant's academic background, professional experience, and research area align with the selected technology field
Specificity	30	▸ Whether the proposed writing direction and analytical methods are clearly presented and realistically achievable
Understanding	30	▸ The applicant's understanding of industry and technology trends in the selected field and target country, including their potential effects on relevant policies and market conditions
Access	20	▸ The applicant's ability to obtain reliable and timely information by accessing local networks and the latest developments in the relevant country or region

□ Application and Selection Process

① **(Recruitment)** The Korea Forestry Promotion Institute will recruit contributors for its overseas forest science and technology trend reports.

- Application Period: October 6 - 30, 2026

② **(Application)** Applicants should submit proof of enrollment (or an affiliation certificate for postdoctoral researchers) along with the Contributor Application Form (Annex 1) to KOFPI

- Submit by email: jdynamic@kofpi.or.kr

* Only applications received by 11:59 PM (KST) on October 30 will be considered

③ **(Selection)** A total of 24 applicants with a strong understanding of their selected fields will be chosen.

- Applicants will be evaluated by an assessment panel consisting of internal reviewers from the Korea Forestry Promotion Institute and external experts.
- 4 contributors will be selected for each field: two based in Europe and two based in the United States.
- * Fewer contributors than planned may be selected if no suitable applicants are identified in a particular field or more contributors may be selected in a particular field.

④ **(Writing)** Selected researchers will write their reports using the template provided in Annex 2

- Writing Period: November 9 - 27, 2026
- Completed reports must be submitted by email to the designated contact at the Korea Forestry Promotion Institute.
- Compensation will be paid based on the number of completed pages.
- Compensation: KRW 50,000 per page, up to a maximum of KRW 500,000 per contributor

☐ **Use of Reports**

- Individual trend reports will be compiled into the 2026 Overseas Forest Science and Technology Trends Report
- The published report will be posted on the KOFPI website and distributed to universities across Korea

☐ Notes

- Reports must be submitted in HWPX or Microsoft Word format.
- Reports must use a 12-point font and 160% line spacing and must not exceed 10 pages. (excluding attachments).
- Contributors may determine the number and structure of subheadings as appropriate. However, a section titled “Conclusion and Implications” must be included.
- All sources cited in the report must be clearly identified.
- Images and other visual materials must not infringe any copyright or other intellectual property rights.
- If any of the following are identified, the contributor may lose all eligibility and any compensation already paid may be cancelled or required to be repaid
 - sources of cited materials are unclear
 - excessive use of generative AI
 - the report was written by someone other than the applicant
 - the report was prepared by any other improper means

☐ Inquiries

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