



Forest Trends Fellows Program



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PREVIOUS FELLOWS INCLUDE

John Begley, CEO, Port Townsend Paper, USA

David Brand, President, New Forests, Australia

Jim Brumm, General Counsel, Mitsubishi Corporation, Japan

Al Cho, Vice President for Strategy and Business Development, Xylem Inc., USA

Sally Ericsson, Strategic Consultant, Climate & Environmental Policy, USA

Victor Galarreta, Technical Secretary of the Interregional Amazon-Peru Council (CIAM), Peru

Victor Luis Gonzalez, President, Windmar Renewables, LLC, Puerto Rico

David Gordon, Associate Director, Pacific Environment, USA

Victoria Hale, Founder, Medicines 360, Institute for One World Health, USA

Asmeen Khan, Practice Manager, Governance Global Practice, The World Bank Group, South Africa

Fernando Momiy Hada, Director, National Superintendency of Sanitation Services (SUNASS), Peru

Mario Monzoni, Assistant Coordinator, School of Business Administration of São Paulo, Brazil

Ole Petenya, Lecturer, Maasai Mara University; Secretary, Shombole Community Trust, Kenya

Carlos Muñoz Piña, Director, World Resources Institute, Mexico

Pati Ruiz Corzo, Director General, Grupo Sierra Gorda, Mexico

Sara Scherr, Director, EcoAgriculture Partners, USA

Tod Sedgwick, Chairman of the Board, I0 Energy, USA

John Spears, World Bank/WWF Alliance Coordinator, The World Bank Group, USA

Changjun Sun, Director, Research Center for Ecological and Environmental Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China

Kerry ten Kate, Director, Investment Responsibility, Insight Investment, London, United Kingdom

Kim Yeadon, NSW Parliament Member, Australian Government



Become Part of an Extraordinary Group of Change Makers

THE FOREST TRENDS FELLOWS PROGRAM was born in 2000. Its goal was to leverage our unique global network of partners to support our mission to build an economic engine behind conservation. Fast-forward twenty years, and the Fellows program has become a critical way we form flexible, mutually beneficial collaborations with internationally recognized leaders and experts in conservation, climate policy, technology, and finance.

To date, Forest Trends has engaged more than 30 leaders through this program. Fellows have gone on to join the Forest Trends Board of Directors, contribute as thought leaders on our initiative teams, join our staff, or become key implementation partners around the world. Still others accompany us on special field visits to the Amazon and Mekong, help us promote our work, or remain steady collaborators and co-authors on papers and reports. They are an extraordinary group of change makers and visionaries, including community leaders, entrepreneurs, philanthropists, scientists, lawyers, and financiers.



AS WE ENTER A NEW DECADE, Forest Trends is expanding our Fellows program to meet the climate challenges our world is facing, at the speed and scale at which we need to find solutions. Twenty years of experience has taught us that bringing together the most creative, entrepreneurial minds in the field is the way to make a powerful impact.

A healthy planet is the common thread connecting the work that needs to be done. We seek Fellows who can help us craft solutions to issues like the ones below – and to help us find connections between them:

- Responding to and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic sustainably and equitably, as well as preventing the next one
- Supporting indigenous and local communities as they resist constant threats to their homes and livelihoods
- Providing decision-makers with data they need to enact and enforce policies that curb illegal activities exploiting the world's forests (and the people living in them)
- Encouraging strengthened climate policy to help meet collective initiatives like the Paris Agreement

These are just a few of the things we're thinking about as we prepare for a new cohort of Forest Trends Fellows.

Now Is the Time



ABOUT OUR FELLOWS

OUR FELLOWS SERVE FOR TWO YEARS, with the option to renew partnership for additional periods. Details of the relationship are flexible, and individually tailored to the needs and interests of a given Fellow and Forest Trends.

An invitation to join the Fellows program is Forest Trends' commitment to:

- Publicly recognize them as a Forest Trends Fellow, and encourage them to use the title for their own professional purposes, including seeking funding for professional initiatives independent of Forest Trends,
- Invite them to participate in select Forest Trends events, such as board meetings, planning sessions, and staff retreats,
- Assist them in securing financial and institutional support for their initiatives where they overlap with Forest Trends interests, and
- Fully acknowledge their contributions to all planning, concepts, or publications.



In turn, Forest Trends anticipates Fellows will:

- Participate in the broader development of Forest Trends program concepts and organizational direction, by participating in planning meetings, board meetings, staff retreats, or other events that intersect with personal interests and expertise,
- Collaborate with Forest Trends as a privileged consultant and, in cases of long-term, intensive collaboration, a co-sponsor of funding proposals deemed to be of mutual interest,
- Represent Forest Trends at public events,
- Help support Forest Trends' growth through annual contributions (suggested contribution of \$10,000) and help build connections to new sources of funding.

(NOTE: Fellows are automatically enrolled in the Evergreen Society, Forest Trends' leadership giving circle, which comes with its own special benefits.)

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Special Working Groups and Projects

Fellows may elect to participate in special working groups and opportunities to collaborate with Forest Trends staff on strategic development, thought leadership, research, and other creative work. Recent working group activities include:

- Developing a business model for Ecosystem Marketplace's corporate advisory and data intelligence services
- Capitalizing a Core Innovation Fund for Research & Development to incubate new projects and connect high-impact initiatives to funding sources
- Engaging the US federal government and key agencies on scaling nature-based solutions in infrastructure policies and spending programs

Forest Trends Board of Directors Meetings

Forest Trends Fellows are invited to join our Board of Directors and Forest Trends leadership for strategic conversations on key themes and work programs.



Field Visits

Join Forest Trends team members and key supporters on special trips into the field for an immersive look at our work. Past expeditions have included a journey along the Mekong Delta to see a rapidly changing forest landscape, and a voyage through the Peruvian Amazon to experience the emerging “rainforest-to-table” culinary movement in Latin America.

Expert Roundtables and Events

Forest Trends frequently hosts expert roundtables and other convenings for leaders from government, business, finance, communities, and conservation. Forest Trends Fellows will have opportunities to participate in planning as expert speakers and facilitators, shape the agenda, and network.





Opportunities to Collaborate and Co-Author

We work with interested Fellows on op-eds, white papers, peer-reviewed publications, and other thought leadership pieces co-authored with Forest Trends experts and Board members.

Special Briefings from Forest Trends Staff

Fellows can engage with Forest Trends staff during frequent special briefings on our latest work – an opportunity to hear our latest insights and weigh in on key issues for climate and conservation.

Forest Trends Fellows Gatherings

Take advantage of opportunities to network with other Forest Trends Fellows at special events, both in-person and online.





Join Us!



MacArthur Foundation Award for Creative and Effective Institutions



Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur – World Economic Forum



Skoll Foundation Award for Social Entrepreneurship



U.S. Forest Service Chief's Global Stewardship Award



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