

Certification of Appreciation

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Whereas The IUFRO Extension and Knowledge Exchange (EKE) Working Party met in Padova Italy for a conference titled “*Forest Knowledge Exchange Advancing Innovation with Tradition*” on October 8-12, 2023.

And

Whereas IUFRO EKE promotes professional development and collaboration on an international level for opportunity for those whose profession and/or interests in working in the professions of forestry Extension, outreach, communications or related fields and whereas Drs. Brunori and Marini have exemplified this very purpose through their tireless leadership in planning indoor presentation sessions, trips to the Venice state archives, and field tours to the famed and historic Cansiglio Forest, and many enjoyable meals and breaks.

And

Whereas all members and guests who arrived at the conference facility were treated to a fantastically Italian experience which will not soon be forgotten and that we all have a much better understanding now of what it means to be on Italian time!

Be it officially noted that the membership of IUFRO EKE extend their warmest appreciation and gratitude for an unforgettable experience and each of us goes away with the fondest memories of Italian hospitality from two wonderful and gifted individuals.