

Forest Innovation Reviews (FIRz)

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U.S. Endowment
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A forum for innovation about forests, forest management, forest products, and forest-rich communities

CUTTING-EDGE IDEAS

THAT CAN HELP CHANGE THE WORLD

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

The U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Forest Communities (Endowment) is looking for new voices, from within and outside of the forest sector, that have ideas for solving some of today's most significant challenges. The second annual FIRz event creates a space for presenting well-formed ideas about forests, forest management, forest products and forest-rich communities, conveyed through short, powerful talks.

In the Fall of 2020, some of the most innovative thinkers from around the world will gather at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon for a day of breakthrough thinking and sharing about the biggest challenges — and potential solutions — that face forests and forest health. Ideas that will help forests and their products further enrich our lives.

Selected speakers will share their ideas with an audience open to the new, innovative, and in some cases utterly unheard-of thinking.

Then those ideas will be shared around the world via video.

THE PRESENTATION VOTED BY ATTENDEES AS “MOST LIKELY TO MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE” WILL BE AWARDED \$10,000.

Seize this opportunity to share your idea, share your vision, motivate and inspire others, and influence the future! Learn more about FIRz and how to nominate yourself or others on www.usendowment.org. Deadline for nominations is February 28, 2020. Those asked to continue to the next step in the selection process will be notified not later than March 30, 2020.

DO YOU HAVE A CUTTING-EDGE IDEA
LINKED TO FORESTS?

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT
INNOVATION?

ARE YOU TIRED OF TALKING ABOUT
YOUR IDEA WITHOUT BEING HEARD?

WHO:

You or someone you know with a potentially world-changing idea linked to forests, forest management, forest products, or forest-rich communities.

WHAT:

A forum for presenting well-formed ideas conveyed through short, powerful talks.

WHERE:

Oregon State University College of Forestry, Corvallis, Oregon

WHEN:

Thursday, October 1, 2020

Selected speakers are required to attend a dress rehearsal on Wednesday, September 30, 2020

WHY:

To gather some of the most innovative thinkers for a day of breakthrough thinking and sharing about the biggest challenges — and potential solutions — that face forests and forest health. Ideas that will help forests and their multitude of benefits enrich our lives and to “scatter” those ideas around the continent and world via video