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APPLY NOW: Moderate youth session at Forests Asia Summit

Dear CIFOR partner,

On the first day of the Forests Asia Summit (May 5), CIFOR are running a special session on **“Youth in Southeast Asia’s forests”** that aims to identify creative approaches to major forestry issues in Southeast Asia (forestsasia.org/youth for the more details.)

We are looking for university students and young professionals from around Southeast Asia to act as moderators in 5 roundtable discussions that mirror the Summit’s five themes: Governance, investment, climate change, food security and equitable development.

As a valued partner organization, we would like to encourage young professionals in your organization to seize this great opportunity by applying for a youth moderator position.

Youth moderators will have their travel and participation costs covered by CIFOR, receive professional facilitation training, and mentoring to develop their discussion topic. They will also:

- Participate virtually in one of the Summit’s thematic stakeholder working groups in April.
- Facilitate a creative and action-oriented roundtable discussion on Monday 5 May.
- Report back to the expert working groups on the outcomes of their roundtable discussion.

Applications close **this Sunday 16th March** so we encourage you to apply soon.

To apply, please send the following information to Michelle Kovacevic (m.kovacevic@cgiar.org) as soon as possible:

1. Your resume
2. Maximum two-page letter answering the following questions:
 - What is one major issue facing Southeast Asia’s forest that you are particularly concerned about?
 - If you were a decision-maker, what would you do to alleviate this problem?
 - What experience have you had with leading discussions?
3. Which discussion theme would you prefer to lead? Please number them in order of your preference (1 to 5):
 - Governance and legal frameworks to promote sustainable landscapes (more info)
 - Investing in landscapes for green returns (more info)
 - Climate change and low emissions development on the ground (more info)
 - Linking food, forests and landscapes (more info)
 - Changing communities, sustainable landscapes and equitable development (more info)
4. Two references who could comment on your understanding of forest issues and ability to moderate a discussion

Selected participants will be invited to a Skype meeting on 19, 20 or 21 March.



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