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# FIRST PATAGONIAN INTERNATIONAL AGROFORESTRY CONGRESS

Coyhaique, Chile, 27-29 October 2010



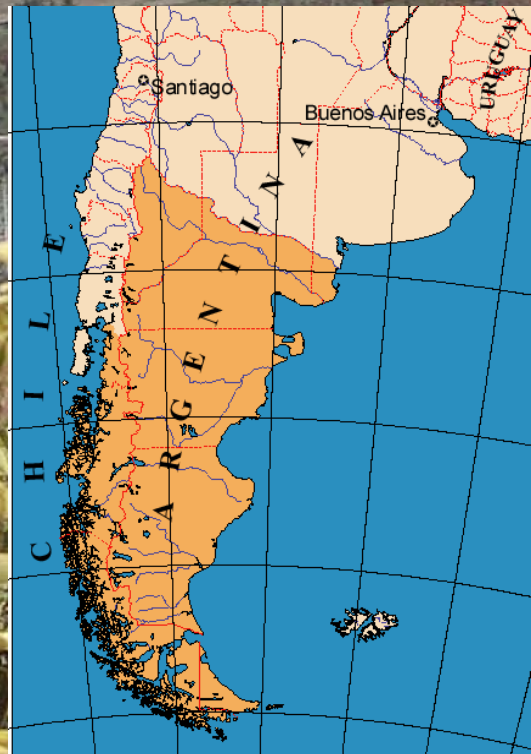
## ORGANIZATION



# PATAGONIA



Geographic region of the southern part of South America, which covers vast areas in Argentina and Chile, including areas east and west of the Cordillera de los Andes. In Chile considers territories, from the Province of Palena, in the Región de Los Lagos, to the extreme south, in the Región de Magallanes, and in Argentina from the Province of Neuquén to Tierra del Fuego.



In this Region lived native peoples such as Chonos, Onas, Yaganes, Tehuelches and Patagones. Of the latter would come the name of this region. It is said that they had very large feet, and because the prints left in the territory was called "Patagonia".



It is one of the most pristine regions of the world, being recognized as an unpolluted environment and lush natural beauty with lakes, rivers, coastline, forests, mountains and volcanoes, which make it worthy of global recognition.

It has important native tree resources such as Araucaria (*Araucaria araucana*), Larch (*Fitzroya cupressoides*), Mountain Cypress (*Austrocedrus chilensis*), Coihue (*Nothofagus dombeyii*), Raulí (*Nothofagus alpina*), Ñirre (*Nothofagus antarctica*) and Lenga (*Nothofagus pumilio*). Also introduced species such as *Pinus ponderosa*, *Pinus contorta* and Douglas Fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*), which provide wood, forests and shelterbelts, that are of great benefit to agriculture and livestock.



The main economic activities in these areas today are sheep and beef farming, forestry, industry and tourism.



Patagonia has important natural resources and environment untouched, however past colonization process, during which natural resources were overused, caused large fires to clear land for agriculture and livestock and have left largely deforested areas with severely degraded soils.



Facing this reality agroforestry systems can become an important tool to recover these areas, improve productivity and contribute to the sustainable use of natural resources.



# Organization

Instituto Forestal (INFOR)  
Centro de Agroforestería Patagónico  
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Chile



Instituto de Investigaciones  
Agropecuarias (INIA)  
Chile



Instituto Nacional de Tecnología  
Agropecuaria (INTA)  
Argentina





## CONGRESS OBJECTIVE

Dissemination and transfer of scientific and technological knowledge on the operation and management of agroforestry systems in the Patagonian Region of Chile and Argentina.



## ORIENTED TO:

Academics and professionals in the field of development, consultants, rural extension specialists, farmers and owners, government officials, professionals in forestry and natural resources, NGO's and private foundations, decision-makers of public policy, private sector representatives, scientists and students.



## TOPICS OF THE CONGRESS:

This Congress will be held in conjunction with the 35th Annual Meeting of the Society of Animal Production (SOCHIPA).

The General Theme is:

"Agroforestry: Sustainable use of natural resources in Patagonia."

There will be days of oral presentations of papers and also field visits, about relevant topics such as:

- Sustainable land use through the use of silvopastoral systems.
- Windbreaks, alley cropping and forest farming
- Soil and water rehabilitation through agroforestry practice.
- Contribution of agroforestry to adaptation and mitigation to climate change.

# PRESENTATION OF PAPERS



The organizers invite researchers, professionals and stakeholders to submit papers to this congress, within the following dates:

- Receipt of Abstracts: July 31, 2010  
(Send to [sabarros@infor.cl](mailto:sabarros@infor.cl))
- Confirmation of acceptance to work authors: August 13, 2010
- Complete Works: September 13, 2010.  
(Send to [sabarros@infor.cl](mailto:sabarros@infor.cl))

## INFORMATION:

Program  
Work rules and presentation formats  
Registration

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