

old forests NEW MANAGEMENT

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WORLD FOREST EXPERTS GATHER

Leading international forest scientists will gather in Hobart from 17-21 February to discuss the future of the world's old forests.

The *Old Forests, New Management* conference is the first of the Sir Mark Oliphant Conferences on the frontiers of science and technology for 2008.

It will explore issues such as:

- How old growth forests will cope with climate change
- Managing forest fire risks in a hotter world
- Protecting endangered species in forests
- Evolving management of old-growth forests in Australia and around the world
- The spiritual significance of old growth forests

The *Old Forests, New Management* Sir Mark Oliphant Conference is at Hobart's Hotel Grand Chancellor. It features more than 160 scientific presentations and papers about advanced temperate forest management.

The conference is hosted by the CRC for Forestry, Forestry Tasmania and the International Union of Forest Research Organisations and sponsored by the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (DIISR) under the International Science Linkages Programme, the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering and the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

Media are welcome to attend and to interview participants.

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