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Dear Colleagues,

As the Editor-in-Chief of *Forests*, it is my great pleasure to announce the winners of the 2021 Best PhD Thesis Award. This prize has been granted to two PhD students who have produced a highly anticipated academic thesis.

2021 BEST PHD THESIS AWARD WINNERS

The winners are:

“Characterizing Tree Communities in Space and Time Using Point Clouds”
By Tuomas Yrttimaa, School of Forest Sciences, University of Eastern Finland,
Finland

“Women in Forest Sector Leadership: A Multi-country Study” By Pipiet Larasatie,
Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR, USA

Each winner will receive CHF 500, a certificate and the opportunity to publish a paper with a 50% discount in *Forests* in 2023.

On behalf of the evaluation committee, I congratulate the winners on their accomplishments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the nominated research groups for their contributions to *Forests* and the Award Committee for their efforts in the voting process.

Prof. Dr. Timothy A. Martin
Editor-in-Chief, *Forests*