



**Marcus Wallenberg Prize Ceremony, Young Researchers' Challenge 2020
– Apply now for the opportunity to network and present your research!**

OPEN TO PhD STUDENTS AND POST-DOCS FROM FINNISH UNIVERSITIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES

The Marcus Wallenberg Foundation together with Forest Products Engineers (PI), Jaakko Pöyry Foundation, LUKE and VTT invites applications for the Young Researchers' Challenge with the opportunity to attend the Prize ceremony and banquet in honour of the 2020 Marcus Wallenberg Prize Winners in Stockholm, Sweden, in October 2020.

Along with a unique opportunity to present your research to leading scientists and representatives of the forest-based industry and fellow researchers from all over the world. The program will range from 18 to 21 October, 2020.

This year's Marcus Wallenberg Prize recognizes the research of Joseph J Landsberg, Richard H Waring and Nicholas C Coops. They are awarded the 2020 Marcus Wallenberg Prize for the development of the 3PG model to predict forest growth in a changing climate, see www.mwp.org.

Present your vision

Describe your research and why you think it will have an impact on the forest-based industry and society as whole. Present your vision and how current obstacles can be overcome. Feel free to discuss opportunities in a wide range of research and business areas in the sector.

We invite researchers no older than 35 years, post-docs or PhD students, based in Finland, to participate. Please send an abstract to susanna.lahdesmaki@puunjalostusinsinorit.fi. Your contribution should not exceed 200 words and must be submitted not later than 15 June 2020. Please indicate also if you are a member of Forest Products Engineers (PI). After evaluation, some 10 contributions will be selected to be invited to the 2020 MWP Prize Ceremony and extended program. All winning participants are expected to submit a short abstract on their research project to be presented in a poster session.

The Young Researchers' Program offers:

- Lectures and guided visits in the Stockholm area.
- An opportunity to network with fellow scientists.
- Participation in a "3-Minute Presentation" session, where the MWP Selection Committee is the jury.
- Ceremony and banquet to be held in the presence of Their Majesties the King and Queen of Sweden.
- Symposium on the theme of this year's Prize.
- A poster session in connection with the Symposium where you can discuss your research with leading scientists and industry representatives.
- A meeting with this year's prize winner.

Who covers the costs for travel and accommodation?

- Grant of 800 € to cover travel to Stockholm and accommodation for three nights in Stockholm on 18-21 October. (The pitching training session* **attendance is required**.)
- The costs associated with the MWP ceremony itself and the associated banquet and symposium in honor of the Prize Winners (as well as local transport and meals during the program) will be at the expense of the Marcus Wallenberg Foundation.

** In addition, a pitching training session will be organized for the Finnish participants at Espoo on September.*

Note: The planning for the MWP 2020 Event is ongoing and it is hoped to be arranged as usual. Organizers are continuously reviewing the guidance from WHO and national authorities and will communicate if plans need to be changed.