

Challenges and strategies of forest research and education for the 21st century: A Brazilian perspective. Hoeflich, V.A. (Embrapa Forest, and Federal University of Paraná, Brazil; hoeflich@cnpf.embrapa.br; hoeflich@ufpr.br).

The paper points out a great deal of problems that are facing professional forestry education in Brazil. Also, it describes how some of the fundamental changes in the Brazilian society, in the economy and in the development of the forest sector may affect forestry education. Additionally, some discussions are presented on issues related to the following: 1) the status of the Brazilian forest research and education system, 2) the challenges/issues of forest education and research in Brazil, 3) the status and perspectives for the forestry profession and employment in Brazil, 4) strategies to improve forest education and an agenda of forest research for the future.