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Dear Colleagues,

As the Editors-in-Chief of *Forests*, it is our great pleasure to announce the winners of the *Forests* 2022 Best PhD Thesis Award. This award is for two PhD students or recently qualified PhDs who have produced a highly anticipated thesis with great academic potential.

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The award has been granted to:

"A Study on the Use of Hardwood Cross-section as an Eco-friendly Sound-Absorbing Material" By Eun-Suk Jang, Jeonbuk National University, Korea.

"Comparative Study of Drought Stress Tolerance of Selected Tree Species Based on the Analysis of Wood Formation During the Drought Year 2018" By Elena Larysch, University of Freiburg, Germany.

Each winner will receive CHF 500, an electronic certificate, and an offer to publish one paper with a 50% discount on the article processing charge in *Forests* after peer review before the end of 2024.

On behalf of the evaluation committee, I congratulate the winners on their accomplishments. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the applicants for submitting their exceptional theses, and thank the Award Committee for voting and helping with this award.

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