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## Women's Forest Congress UPDATE

March 2022

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### WFC Needs Your Help to Make History

Organizations and individuals, aligned with the Women's Forest Congress' [Mission and Vision](#), are invited to be an integral part of the Women's Forest Congress. Your support will ensure the inaugural 2022 Women's Forest Congress is a success, including engagement leading up to and following the event as well as the extraordinary community forming around the movement.

Your sponsorship or donation will directly support ongoing communications, virtual events leading up to the in-person event, and the volunteer-led Steering Committee, Advisory Council and Working Groups. It will also support the development and hosting of an historic and catalytic inaugural event in October 2022 as well as the overall movement to position and learn from women as leaders in the forest community. [Download](#) our sponsorship prospectus to learn more about available sponsorship opportunities.

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### WFC Opens Call for Proposals for October 2022 Event

The Women's Forest Congress is looking for compelling and diverse content to inspire meaningful conversations and engagements for our 2022 event. These discussions will lead to developing strategies and solutions to address the most pressing current and forthcoming challenges for forests and women. We invite prospective session leaders, facilitators, presenters, moderators, organizers, and others to submit proposals that advocate for and

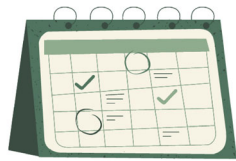
To be considered, please [submit your proposal](#) by Friday, April 29, 2022, 5 PM Eastern.

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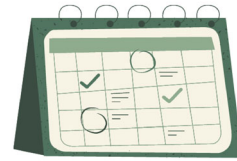
## Highlights from WFC's March 8 Virtual Gathering, Celebrating International Women's Day

The Women's Forest Congress gathered nearly 200 people on March 8, 2022, to celebrate International Women's Day and discuss ways we can #BreakTheBias in natural resources. To learn more, watch the [videos](#) or check out the [graphic recordings](#).

And while you're at it, go ahead and save the date for our other 2022 events. Simply click the buttons below to download "save the dates" to drop into your calendar. Registration information will come soon.



**June 8, 2022**  
(Virtual)



**Oct. 17-20, 2022**  
(Minneapolis, MN, USA)

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## WFC Blog

This month, the WFC blog features WFC Steering Committee member Dawn Simmons. Dawn brings a unique perspective to diversity, equity and inclusion in the forest sector and talks about ways we are better together, through "Strength, Diversity & Welcoming Women into the Forest Sector." Read Dawn's blog post [here](#).

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## Fun Fact of the Month

#DYK Hershey's Corporation was named the #1 World's Top Female-Friendly Companies by Forbes in 2021. According to their [press release](#), "Hershey is committed to continuing its efforts in 2022 to advance gender equity with meaningful partnerships, celebratory

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**THERE IS A NEED – ARGUABLY TODAY MORE THAN EVER – FOR DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES TO HELP ENSURE THE HEALTH AND FUTURE OF FORESTS.**

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