

Forests without Borders Update

The Institute's Forests without Borders (FwB) program has cleared the final legal hurdles to become a registered non-profit with charitable status, permanently replacing the Institute's FACT (Forestry Awareness in Canada Trust). New bylaws have been approved and the Trustees have signed all documentation required by Industry Canada. FwB will continue to fulfill the original intent of FACT, while taking on the broader mandate associated with international restoration and afforestation projects.

"The momentum has been building steadily," said former President Fred Pinto. "It is great to see the enthusiasm of the membership and the growth in our ability to support projects and move forward in all respects."

Fund-raising continues to increase, especially at the Section level, and several projects have already received support. Communications and promotional materials have recently been developed, and the FwB pages of the Institute's Web site has been improved with much additional content. For additional information: www.cif-ifc.org/forestswithoutborders.com.