

## Eric Allen

### Biographical sketch



Dr. Eric Allen is the head of the Forest Invasive Alien Species program at the Pacific Forestry Centre in Victoria, Canada where he manages a variety of forest health-related issues. Since 1997 he has worked extensively on non-indigenous species that impact forest ecosystems: their biologies, their movement with international trade, and the assessment of mitigation measures.

Dr. Allen first became involved in international standards serving as a science advisor in the development of ISPM 15. He is the founder and chair of the International Forestry Quarantine Research Group and in that role serves on the Technical Panel for Forestry Quarantine. Dr. Allen also a member of the core group of experts that has just published the FAO Guide to phytosanitary standards in forestry. He serves on the North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) forestry panel, and is the deputy coordinator of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations working group "Alien Invasive Species in International Trade". Dr. Allen holds a PhD in forest pathology from the University of Alberta.