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In memory of Josef Umdasch, the founder of the Umdasch Group, entries are invited by the **University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna** for the

Josef Umdasch Research Prize 2010

This international competition is being held for the tenth time and is endowed with EUR 30,000 of prize-money.

The prize is awarded for outstanding achievements in the field of forestry and timber science, having particular regard to

- innovations, improvements and environmental issues relating to the working, processing and utilisation of wood;
- new cultivation methods, environmentally sound timber harvesting and new reforestation methods,
- and work on the "timber value chain", encompassing silvicultural timber production, and the working, processing and utilisation of wood, from harvesting all the way through to processing.

The Josef Umdasch Research Prize can be awarded to persons of any nationality who have produced outstanding research and development work in the above fields.

The deadline for the submission of entries is 31st May 2010

Relevance to the fields of business of the Umdasch Group is not a criterion for assessment of the entries.

Entries, in English or German and in hardcopy as well as on a digital data medium, should be sent to the Research Service Unit at the University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna, attn. Mrs. Marion Mitter, Gregor Mendel Strasse 33, A-1180 Vienna (Tel: +43 (0)1 47654-1032).

Information on the Josef Umdasch Research Prize may be found online at www.umdach.com and www.boku.ac.at.

