

## RANDLE TRAVEL FUND (RTF) - DETAILS FOR APPLICANTS

Through the generosity of the Trustees of the Donald Randle Trust, the Royal Forestry Society (RFS) is able to offer two bursaries for 2012 each worth £500.

### ***Travel Overseas***

i) Funds are provided to individual RFS members to cover part or all of their subsistence and travel costs for individual trips abroad specifically designed to enhance their forestry knowledge.

ii) The RTF bursaries exclude group expeditions or participation in tours or courses organised by other bodies or commercial enterprises.

The successful candidates must submit a comprehensive written report to the Society within three months of their return and/or an article of not less than 300 words for consideration for publication in the *Quarterly Journal of Forestry*.

The only requirement for eligibility is that candidates must either be current members of the RFS, or work full-time for an RFS corporate member or enclose a completed membership application with the appropriate payment. There are **no** age restrictions.

**Application forms** are available from the Tring Secretariat [rfsHQ@rfs.org.uk](mailto:rfsHQ@rfs.org.uk) or can be downloaded from the website [www.rfs.org.uk](http://www.rfs.org.uk). They must be returned to RFS Tring by **noon on Wednesday, 7th March 2012** together with a short C.V.

Applicants must arrange for **letters of support from two people** to reach the RFS by then. There is no special form for these. All applications will be treated in strictest confidence.

Names of eligible candidates will be put to members of the RFS Management Committee and the most suitable people chosen on the basis of their application and supporting letters. The Committee's decision is final: a reserve list will be drawn up and those on it informed accordingly.

If offered a bursary, potential recipients will need to **accept the offer formally**. The RFS cannot help in seeking any remaining costs. If those offered a bursary cannot be certain of obtaining any remaining funding by then, the Society reserves the right to withdraw the original offer and approach candidates on the reserve list. Some degree of flexibility will be necessary, but it is only fair to everyone that the bursaries are used.

