With the financial help of the GDR Bois, the LIA (International Associated Laboratory between INRA, France, and INTA, Argentina) FORESTIA and the European Union Marie-Curie RISE project TOPWOOD organized the International Conference "Adapting forests ecosystems and wood products to biotic and abiotic stress: Integrating tools, methods and disciplines to face global change" at Bariloche, Argentina, from the 12 to 15 March 2019. The meeting brought together senior scientists and graduate students from nine countries, for the very first time in South America around the topic of this project. In addition, it widened the focus of the project to include entomological plagues affecting forests, in order to achieve a more multidisciplinary approach -both including abiotic and biotic stresses- and to serve as a platform for future integrative research. 38 oral and 20 posters presentations were delivered and discussed and around 20 of them are being preparing as scientific articles to be considered in a Special Issue of the international peer-reviewed scientific journal Forest Ecology & Management.



Photo 1: part of the conference participants in front of the Nahel Huapi lake



Photo 2: the conference field visit in the Valdivian forest in the Andean cordillera