

## Ron Ayling

IDRC alumnus **Ron Ayling** has received the Canadian Forestry Achievement Award from the [Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada](#), the first and oldest forest conservation organization in Canada. The Award reads, *“in recognition of individuals who have made unique and outstanding achievements in the field of forestry. It appreciates the value of consistent exceptional contributions made over a lifetime to the field of forestry, in addition to singular momentous achievements. This Award has the objective of encouraging excellence in the forestry professional.”*



Ron received the Award for his almost 15 years as editor of [The Forestry Chronicle](#), the official journal of the Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada and first published in 1925. As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the *Chronicle* became fully open access and published solely online to provide information on the scientific management of forests and their resources. It further provides forest practitioners in Canada and throughout the world with a means of communicating with their peers in the professional community. Ron notes that he has the assistance of 28 highly regarded associate editors who manage a thorough review process of submitted professional and scientific papers. Topics in the journal include social/community-based forestry, forest ecology, management, biomass/energy, and forest economics.