



# **“The InnovaWood Tribe” Workshop on the Future of Wood Science and Technology**

7 July 2020, 14:00-16:30 CET  
Webinar ~~University of Porto, Portugal~~



## **Open invitation**

To early-stage researchers (i.e. MSc graduates, PhD students, research professionals) in the field of wood science and technology to participate in a special workshop on career development, as a side event of the InnovaWood's Annual General Assembly.

Interested candidates can apply until 5 July 2020 (extended date) per simple e-mail to:  
[office@innovawood.com](mailto:office@innovawood.com).



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Virtual meeting

## **The Future of Wood Science and Technology**

### Workshop objectives

**Early stage researchers in the field of wood science and technology are invited to participate in a special event on science career development. Four leading senior wood scientists will jointly host a full-day interactive colloquium. The workshop will review the evolution and emerging trends of major research fields in wood science in an international context. It offers a great opportunity for young researchers to get connected to a large European research network and receive valuable feedback and guidance from peers on their own work and career plans.**

The workshop is useful for M.Sc. graduates, PhD students and research staff aiming to pursue a professional career in wood science. In the workshop, four knowledgeable wood scientists will look back at their own past careers and research fields in terms of technical findings, how research work has evolved and what they see for the future. They will also challenge the participants in terms of their future research. The main aim is to share knowledge and experiences between the present and next generation of wood scientists, looking ahead and identify future trends and benefits for more European collaboration especially between early stage researchers.

#### *Hosts of the workshop*



**Prof. Holger Miltz**  
Georg-August-Universität Göttingen,  
Department of Wood  
Biology and Wood  
Products, Germany

*Wood properties, wood  
protection, wood  
modification*

<https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/67096.html>



**Prof. Rupert Wimmer**  
BOKU University of  
Natural Resources  
and Life Sciences,  
Vienna, Austria

*Natural materials  
technology, Bio-  
based composites*

<https://boku.ac.at/map/holztechnologie/>



**Prof. Joris Van Acker**  
Ghent University,  
Laboratory of Wood  
Technology (UGent-  
Woodlab), Belgium

*Wood anatomy,  
biology, drying,  
service life,  
engineered wood  
products, (tropical)  
tree species, poplars*

<https://www.woodlab.be>



**Dr. Mark Irlle**  
ESB Ecole  
Supérieure de  
Bois, LIMBHA,  
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*Wood-based  
panels, natural  
fibers, adhesives,  
wood physics*

<https://www.esb-campus.fr/recherche>



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**Programme**  
**Tuesday, 7 July 2020, 14:00-16:15 CET**

*Webinar*

*Please note that this meeting will be video recorded!*

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14:00 –	<b>Opening</b>
14:30 (0:30)	Welcome & Objectives by Dr. Mark Irle, President of InnovaWood  Tour de table (1 slide per each participant)
14:30 –	<b>Session I - Forest products for a sustainable future!</b>
15:10 (0:40)	Hosted by <i>Prof. Joris Van Acker</i> and <i>Prof. Rupert Wimmer</i>  Keynote presentation and Q&A with participants
15:10	<b>Break</b>
15:20 –	<b>Session II - Improving on nature: making wood better!</b>
16:00 (0:40)	Hosted by <i>Prof. Holger Militz</i> and <i>Dr. Mark Irle</i>  Keynote presentation and Q&A with participants
16:00 –	<b>Conclusions: What next for the InnovaWood Tribe?</b>
16:30 (0:30)	Open discussion  Wrap up by Dr. Mark Irle

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**Organisational matters**

The workshop participation is free of charge.

The interested applicants are also free to participate in the InnovaWood Virtual General Assembly meeting on 8 July 2020.

*Preparations for the workshop*

Each participant is asked to prepare in advance of the workshop:

- 1 powerpoint slide outlining their main research theme
- 1 minute pitch talk about their research

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