



WoodWisdom-Net

WOODWISDOM-NET eNEWSLETTER 2/2006

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Dear Recipient,

Please, find here the second WoodWisdom-Net eNewsletter in 2006.

The eNewsletter supports the work of the EU's ERA-NET project WoodWisdom-Net in creating a common research platform that will promote the competitiveness and sustainability of European forestry and forest-based industry.

WoodWisdom-Net eNewsletter contains news and current issues of interests in the field of wood material science and engineering both at the European and national level.

Enjoy your reading!

WoodWisdom-Net Secretariat

NEWS

New WoodWisdom-Net Newsletter published

WoodWisdom-Net has now completed an important milestone in the project, identifying and selecting the first research areas to support shaping of a Joint European Research and Technical Development (RTD) programme with common funding and administration in the year 2008.

This and other interesting news now available in the latest newsletter:

<http://www.woodwisdom.net/publications/>

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Research Landscape Tool published

WoodWisdom-net has now published an Internet-based tool which gives you an overview of ongoing projects in the field of wood material science and engineering, especially within the programmes of the participating organisations from eight countries: Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, and United Kingdom. The tool is available via the link 'Research Landscape Tool' on the WoodWisdom-Net public website <http://www.woodwisdom.net/programmes/> or directly in the address <http://www.partnertext.com/view.do?w=79>. No user registration is required.

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Innovative wood products bring new zing to forest cluster

The Finnish-Swedish Wood Material Science and Engineering Research Programme in final straight Programme has for three years built a new knowledge base for the forest cluster. The programme's multidisciplinary basic research projects have studied the properties of wood and methods with which to influence these properties. The ongoing applied projects are developing innovative and eco-efficient wood products, materials and processes, for example to serve the needs of the construction, packaging, paper, medicine and food industries. The programme will be completed next year.

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Nordic Energy Research announces 75 M NOK for new projects

Nordic Energy Research announces 75 M NOK for Nordic energy research and development projects for the period 2007-2010. The call is targeted at projects within one or more of the following areas

- Integration of the energy market
- Renewable energy sources
- Energy efficiency
- The hydrogen society
- Consequences of climatic change on the energy sphere.

The deadline for submitting Eol is 19 May 2006.

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The Forest-based Sector: jointly defining a Strategic Research Agenda

Press release:

Please find further information and contact details under:

www.forestplatform.org

A high-level group established to steer the implementation of the European Forest-Based Sector Technology Platform in Finland

A high-level group has been established to steer the implementation of the European Forest-Based Sector Technology Platform in Finland. There will be created a common vision and action plan on the national level and this research agenda will outline the priorities of the pre-competitive research of the Finnish forest cluster.

You can follow up the preparation of the agenda (in Finnish) in

www.forestindustries.fi .

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New Journal: Wood Material Science and Engineering

Taylor & Francis, in cooperation with the Nordic Forest Research Cooperation Committee (SNS), is launching a new scientific journal in 2006, Wood Material Science and Engineering.

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Research budget agreed - FP7 up by 300 million

The EU budget for the term 2007 to 2013 was finally agreed in a lengthy evening session on 4 April. The total budget has gone up by 4 billion euro since the December proposals. This includes a welcome 300 million euro extra for the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7). However, MEPs were quick to express disappointment at the level of funding for research.

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Rules of participation and costs in the FP7

In a seminar in Helsinki on March 23rd 2006 there were introduced and discussed the rules of participation of the FP7 and also how the costs are being calculated in the framework programmes.

The seminar materials are all available in

<http://www.tekes.fi/eu/fin/tapahtumat/kustannukset7po230306/index.html>, however most of them in Finnish.

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COST Open Call for Proposals to support Scientific and Technical Collaboration in Europe

The first collection date for Preliminary Proposals is 31 May 2006 22:00 CET. Full Proposals will be invited by 30 June 2006 for submission by 15 September 2006. The next collection dates is expected to be 30 March 2007.

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More: <http://www.cost.esf.org/index.php?id=721>

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Foresight project FinnSight 2015 to final straight

Last year, the Academy of Finland and Tekes launched the first Finnish foresight project on science and technology policy, FinnSight 2015. It examines changes in the operating environment, specifies challenges in the development of research and innovation activities, and identifies the key competence areas of Finnish science, technology, society and business. The results of the foresight project will be made public in June.

More: <http://www.finnsight2015.fi/>

Finland Distinguished Professor Programme

The first call for plans of intent within the Finland Distinguished Professor (FiDiPro) funding programme gave even a better result than expected. Finnish universities and research institutes named close to a hundred foreign or expatriate Finnish researchers whose visit to Finland they propose to Tekes and the Academy of Finland to be funded within the programme. The first researchers coming to Finland through FiDiPro will start work in 2007.

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Research in the forest-based sector to promote competitiveness and wellbeing

In the future research in the forest-based sector will focus strongly on areas in which the sector can improve competitiveness and increase wellbeing. Developing innovative products for changing markets and to meet consumers' needs is one such area. The goal is to increase sales in new business areas and to strengthen positions on present markets with new products and processes.

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Building with wood reduces the impact on climate change

Climate warming is due to the greenhouse effect caused by the release of ever increasing amounts of carbon dioxide into the earth's atmosphere. The biggest proportion of carbon dioxide emissions are created as a result of burning fossil fuels.

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IEA Bioenergy Annual Report 2005

This latest annual report from the International Energy Agency Bioenergy presents two special features: "Greenhouse Gas Balance of Biomass and Bioenergy Systems" and "Sustainable International Bioenergy Trade".

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Open ERA-NET calls

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CONFERENCES, SUMMER SCHOOLS, OTHER EVENTS

May 2006

R&D forthcoming events throughout Europe available in Cordis

http://cordis.europa.eu/fetch?CALLER=EN_NEWS_EVENT

May 16-18 2006, Helsinki, Finland: Nanotechnology in Northern Europe 2006

More: <http://www.nano.fi/ntne2006/index.htm>

May 25-26, 2006: International training course on EC project management - focus on FP6/FP7

More <http://www.eucenter.org/training/projectmgfp6.pdf>

June 2006

June 1-2, 2006: ASTP Annual Conference in Turku, Finland

Best Practices in Transfer of Science and Technology

Association of European Science & Technology Transfer Professionals is pleased to invite you to its Annual Conference to be held in Turku, the former capital of Finland.

More:

http://www.astp.net/Turku_2006.htm

June 7-9, 2006: 6th International Paper and Coating Chemistry Symposium, Stockholm, Sweden, at KTH Campus

Reminding you to register to the PCCS 2006. The conference fee is SEK 10. For tentative program, further information and on-line registration, please visit

www.stfi-packforsk.se/pccs2006

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me or Lars Wågberg, <mailto:wagberg@pmt.kth.se>

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International conference on nanobiotechnology in Europe

The NanoBio-Europe 2006 conference will be arranged in France, June 14-16, 2006.

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July 2006

July 12 – 16, 2006: INTERFORST 2006, München, Germany

10th International Trade Fair for Forestry and Forest Technology with Scientific Conferences and Special Shows.

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September 2006

European Productivity Conference

Competitiveness through Productivity 30 August-1 September 2006 Dipoli Congress Center, Espoo, Finland

<http://www.epc2006.fi/>

in Finnish:

http://www.ek.fi/ek_suomeksi/ajankohtaista/tapahtumat/index.php?we_objectID=2773

November 2006

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS: PMA06: The Second International Symposium on Plant Growth Modeling, Simulation, Visualization and Applications, Beijing (China PR), November 13-17, 2006

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November 22-23, 2006: Forest-based Sector Technology Platform Follow-up Conference in Lahti, Finland

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10th International Congress on Biotechnology in the Pulp and Paper Industry in Madison, Wisconsin, June 10-14, 2007.

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