

15th Wood-Technology Conference

June 4-5, 2018, Opatija (Croatia)

Hotel 4 opatijska cvijeta

Aim of the Conference

is to present, to the professional public, the **latest trends** on the sector scene, **gather all the relevant sector actors** in one place and **initiate new changes** in wood-processing and furniture production in Republic of Croatia and other countries in the region.



Overall STATS & Brief History



21+
countries



2500+
participants

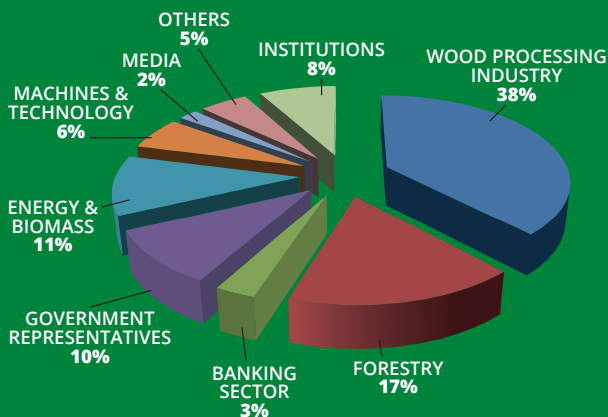


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forestry and wood industry



Participant structure

More than 300 participants
from EU and SEE countries



Be in Opatija and discuss the latest **business trends, investments, innovative solutions, policies, development challenges and opportunities** to intensify cross-sectoral cooperation and **R&D projects!**

Croatia - wood processing sector in figures



48% of its territory is covered by forests

6,6 mil. m³ is the total annual cut in Croatia

2,5 mil. m³ is sawmill roundwood

96% of the raw material and components are of Croatian origin

260.000 t of wood pellet production per year

1,1 bil. EUR is the yearly export

65% of the income is made abroad

53.000 employees in forest-based industries

35,6% is the growth of furniture export to Germany

10,4% of Croatian export is realised by wood processing industry

Agenda

Sunday, 03.06

19.30 - 21.30 Welcome drink - networking and socializing (Hotel Royal Terrace)

Monday, 04.06

10.00 - 18.00 Day one | Opening - Thematic sessions (Hotel Royal - congress hall Royal)

19.30 - 22.00 Leisure: Boat ride to the Kvarner Bay while tasting local dishes (optional)

Tuesday, 05.06

09.00 - 13.00 Day two | Thematic sessions - End of the Conference (Grand hotel 4 opatijska cvijeta - congress hall 2A)

Pre and Post Conference Activities



Study visits:
Nearby wood processing companies



Cluster managers training

Find your reason to participate! ✓

Companies

- Interesting and current topics about the latest wood processing technologies;
- Insight into the latest sources for funding projects and the use of national and EU financial aid;
- Exploring the attitudes of institutions and public administration, potential partners, investors and financiers;

Suppliers

- An opportunity for a quality presentation of new technologies to participants,;
- Familiarizing with the current investment climate, legal framework and general wood biomass market conditions in the SEE countries

Local self-government and government institutions

- Insight into the current wood processing market conditions;
- Insight into funding opportunities and financing projects; foreign experiences and familiarizing with the model of public-private partnership;
- Direct contact with investors, planners and financial institutions

Banking sector, foreign investors, attorneys and financiers

- Insight into the projects in preparation;
- Exploring the attitudes of technical planners and local investors
- Insight into raw material issues

Academic community

- Analysis of the current market conditions and the presentation of academic projects;
- Active role in suggesting and selecting innovative wood processing technologies;
- Establishing contacts with the industry and institutions

Media

- Detailed insight into market opportunities and potentials of this sector in the SEE region;
- Participation in discussions regarding social responsibility in the use of local raw material resources
- Exploring the positive examples and popularization of new technologies

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