

COST Action FP1006

WG2: Wood Interface modification and understanding of the wood-treatment interface interactions

1st WG2 meeting, 27 April 2012, Kuchl, Austria

Minutes

A meeting was held of the COST Action FP1006 Working group 2: Wood Interface modification and understanding of the wood-treatment interface interactions on the 27th April 2012.

14 members of the working group were present

Item 1: Introductions. All members present presented themselves, their affiliations and their interests in the working group. The Chair of the working group reminded those present that we should fill in a short CV to be added to the website. There will be a direct link to the documents.

Action: All to send the CVs to Electra

Item 2: 5 knowledge gap questions. A lively discussion was undertaken regarding the knowledge gaps within the area of surface modification, these will be the basis for a questionnaire that will be circulated to the member states. Topics discussed in WG2 included;

- Interfaces between the polymer physics
- Durability of bonding / surface modifications
- What is the best technology for surface modifications
- Interesting scientifically / market ready
- Process to apply things in to the industry
- Down the road treatments
- Formaldehyde free adhesives /
- Standards (EC 351 - harmonised standards)
- Analytical procedures / bio-resins gaps in the measurements

Action: Electra to send the 5 questions to Stefanie.

Item 3: Announcements. Electra made several announcements. The first were a series of requests for thoughts on the following;

1. EU/National calls for proposals relative with WG2 and possible co-operations.
2. Possibilities/planning for self-funded joint research projects
3. Plans for publications (ZOTERO system for joint publications – www.zotero.org)
4. Vacancies for STSMs
5. Actions for the transfer of COST activities to national communities

Action: All to look to ways of achieving the above requests.

The second set of announcements were requests for information and are listed below,

1. Reminder for submission of personal information and lab equipment
2. Provide information on publications as to be uploaded on web page
3. Join the group on LinkedIn network and start conversation
4. Provide information on national events relative with the COST FP1006
5. Web matching for job: Job vacancies, full CV's of people looking for work

Action: All to action as appropriate.

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