Kick-Off Seminar
Thursday 23rd – Friday 24th May, 2019
The National Museum of Finland (Helsinki)
Dear Friends and Partners,

We are pleased to invite you to attend the ForestValue Research Programme Kick-Off Seminar on 23rd and 24th of May 2019 at the National Museum of Finland in Helsinki.

This public kick-off seminar of the 1st trans-national ForestValue Joint Call (17 projects selected) will bring together researchers and stakeholders from industry, academia and policy-making organisations in the forest-based sector. The call was launched in 2017 with support from the European Commission through the H2020 Framework Programme.

The objectives of the seminar will be to discuss the projects’ objectives, to facilitate information exchange and networking between the projects and their stakeholders, and to gain feedback and ideas for the further development of the ForestValue Research Programme.

ERA-NET Cofund ForestValue, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland, Ministry of the Environment, Academy of Finland and Business Finland as event organizers and hosts look forward to welcoming you in Finland.

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PROGRAMME
Thursday, 23rd of May

Moderator: Mikko Peltonen, Research Director
Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland (MMM)

09.00 – 09.50 Registration & coffee

10.00 – 11.00 Introduction session
• Welcome (10 min)
  Juha S. Niemelä, Director-General, Natural Resources Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland (MMM)
• Introduction to Finnish host organisations MMM, YM, AKA and Business Finland, (10 min)
  Speaker/s to be confirmed
• Welcome and short overview of the trans-national ForestValue Research Programme (10 min)
  Mika Kallio, ForestValue Project Coordinator, MMM
• Keynote: Impact – from awareness & engagement to advocacy & action - How the appliance of science to C&D strategy & plans can deliver tangible impact (30 min)
  Rhonda Smith, Director, Minerva Communications UK Ltd

11.05 – 12.00 Presentations of jointly funded ForestValue projects
Session 1. Advanced Forest Management strategies
• MultiForest – Management for multifunctionality in European forests in the era of bioeconomy (6 min)
  Mikko Mönkkönen, University of Jyväskylä (FI)
• ValoFor – Small Forests – Big Players: Valorising small scale forestry for a bio-based economy (6 min)
  Silvio Schueler, Austrian Research Centre for Forests, BFW (AT)
• MULTIFOREVER – Towards intensification of conifer production through multi-varietal forestry based on somatic embryogenesis (6 min)
  Jean-Francois Trontin, FCBA (FR) & Andrea Rupps, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (DE)

11.20 – 11.30 Questions, open discussion (10 min)

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch, networking
Presentations of jointly funded ForestValue projects

Session 3. Innovative harvesting techniques

- AVATAR – Advanced Virtual Aptitude and Training Application in Real Time (6min)
  Dirk Jaeger, Georg-August Universität Göttingen (DE)
- SMALLWOOD – Small diameter wood utilization with innovative stand management for multifunctional forests and a growing sustainable bio-economy (6 min)
  Tomas Nordfjell, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SE)
- GreenLane – Fast-tracking value and resilience for industrial wood supply (6 min)
  Dag Fjeld, NIBIO (NO)

Questions, open discussion (10 min)

Session 4. Wood as a building material (I)

- InFutUReWood – Innovative Design For the Future – Use and Reuse of Wood (Building) Components (6 min)
  Karin Sandberg, RISE Research Institute of Sweden (SE)
- CLICK DESIGN – Delivering fingertip knowledge to enable service life performance specification of wood (6 min)
  Ed Suttie, BRE Group (UK)

Questions, open discussion (10 min)

14.00 – 15.20  Coffee, Speed Networking
15.20 – 15.30  Closing Day 1
15.30 – 15.50  Walk to Oodi
  Visiting address: Töölönlahdenkatu 4, 00100 Helsinki

16.00 – 17.00  Site visit: The new Helsinki Central Library Oodi, a striking building with its glass and steel structures and wooden façade
  https://www.oodihelsinki.fi/en

18.30 -  Joint dinner [to be confirmed]
PROGRAMME
Friday, 24th of May

Moderator: Martin Greimel, co-coordinator of ForestValue
Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism (BMNT)

08:00 - 08.50  Registration (new participants only) & coffee

09.00 – 09.10  Introduction and welcome
Speaker to be confirmed

Presentations of jointly funded ForestValue projects
Session 5. Wood as a building material (II)
• HardwoodJoint – Innovative joints in hardwoods (6 min)
  Carmen Sandhaas, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (DE)
• FIREINWOOD – Improved fire design of engineered wood systems in buildings (6 min)
  Karolina Storesund, RISE Research Institutes of Sweden/ Fire Research Norway (NO)
• InnoCrossLam – Innovative Solutions for Cross Laminated Timber Structures (6 min)
  Boris Azinović, Slovenian National Building and Civil Engineering Institute (ZAG) (SI)
  Questions, open discussion (10 min)

Session 6. Wood as a building material (III)
• DynaTTB – Dynamic Response of Tall Timber Buildings under Service Load (6 min)
  Marie Johansson, RISE Research Institute of Sweden (SE)
• READiStrength – Resource-Efficient And Data-driven integrated log and board Strength
  grading (6 min)
  Olle Hagman, Luleå University of Technology (SE)
• StrongComposite – A novel material concept for high strength cellulose composites (6 min)
  Ingo Burgert, ETH Zurich (CH)
  Questions, open discussion (10 min)

10.15 – 11.55  Poster session, networking & coffee

News about European/ other research activities
• FTP recent developments
  Johan Elvnert, Managing Director, Forest-based Sector Technology Platform
• Helping to build an ambitious European forest research and innovation area
  Robert Mavsar, Deputy Director, European Forest Institute

12.00 – 12.35  Summing up the seminar and closing
Mika Kallio, ForestValue Project Coordinator, MMM

12.35 – 12.45  Lunch, networking

12.45 – 15.00  Lunch, networking
Registration is requested from each seminar participant, including ForestValue partners. Registration is open until May 10th 2019.

Please register here  

Please note that the maximum number of participants is 120. The seminar is free of charge including materials, admission to all sessions, coffee/tea during breaks and lunches.

AIRPORT TRAIN

The train connection between Helsinki city centre and Helsinki Airport takes about 30 minutes. There are two services: I trains + ticket machines. Schedules, ticket prices and routes are available at HSL website. At the airport you can buy a train ticket from the following spots (please note that it is not possible to buy a ticket in the train):

Self-service ticket machines (by the entrance of the terminals and train station)
Alepa Grocery Store (T2 Arrivals Hall 2B)
WH Smith (T1 Departure Hall and T2 Departure Hall)
R-kioski (T2 Arrivals Hall 2A)
Tourist information (T2 Arrivals Hall 2A)
HSL Mobile Ticket app

BUSES TO & FROM THE AIRPORT (I.E. FINNAIR CITY BUS)

Line 615 and the Finnair City Bus operate between Helsinki Railway Station and the airport.

The timetables of other trains and buses in the Helsinki metropolitan area are available in the HSL Journey Planner.

HSL buses as well as the Finnair City Buses, operated by Pohjolan Liikenne, drop off and pick up passengers only in front of T2 at Helsinki Airport.

From Helsinki railway station it is around 1 km by walk to the seminar venue.
There are several hotels within a 10-minute walking distance to the seminar venue and within 1km from the main railway station (no rooms pre-reserved).

Holiday Inn Helsinki City Centre
Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Helsinki
Original Sokos Hotel Helsinki
Scandic Simonkenttä
Hotel Arthur
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For updated information on the seminar and the ForestValue Research Programme, please visit: https://forestvalue.org.

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