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New Year Stakeholder Seminars



Key personnel from certified companies such as Chain of Custody administrators, marketing and sales, are once again invited to participate in one of two workshops we will be hosting in the New Year. The first will be held in London on *Wednesday 11th January* and the second in Birmingham on *Wednesday 18th January.*

These popular half day seminars cover a range of topics including Sustainable Forest Management, Chain of Custody certification, the use of the PEFC label and the market drivers for certified forest products. They are free to attend but places are strictly limited and allocated on a first come, first served basis so early registration is recommended. For an invitation and full details visit: *www.pefc.co.uk/events/pefc-stakeholder-seminars*

Mellor Primary School wins PEFC UKsponsored Award

The Winners of the Structural Timber Awards 2016 were revealed at a gala dinner held at the Birmingham National Conference Centre during Timber Expo and UK Construction Week. These Awards recognise outstanding projects and innovative products that are promoting excellence in structural timber across the UK.

Designed by Sarah Wigglesworth Architects, Mellor Primary School, near Stockport, scooped the top prize in the Best Education Project category, which was sponsored by PEFC UK. This category showcases schemes that have used timber technology to create exceptional buildings and vibrant learning spaces for both students and staff. The judges praised the winning project as: "An excellent scheme with an honest simple structure but importantly uses the structure as a learning resource."

Presenting the Award to the worthy winner, PEFC CEO and Secretary General Ben Gunneberg commented "It is always

fantastic to see the ways in which timber is used throughout the construction industry to produce such magnificent, sustainable and environmentally-sound buildings. The role PEFC-certified timber plays is vitally important and this is being reflected across Europe with the levels of engineered wood used on some landmark schemes."

It was also encouraging to note there were many examples of PEFC-certified timber being specified across all 15 awards categories and to see cross laminated (CLT) and glulam increasingly adopted as a sustainable alternative to steel and concrete.



Packaging Innovations 2016

In September, PEFC UK joined forces once again with SFI and PEFC certified company, AB Packaging Group, to exhibit for the third year in succession at **Packaging Innovations.** The two-day show was held at London Olympia on 14-15 September.

The event provided valuable opportunities for the PEFC team to engage with leading brand owners and retailers to promote the PEFC label as an assurance of responsibly-sourced packaging. It was very encouraging to see an increasing number of our fellow exhibitors proudly displaying their PEFC certification credentials as an integral part of their show graphics.



COMPANY SPOTLIGHT: Heritage Doors & Floors



In recognition of the vital role PEFC-certified companies play in growing the market for certified products, we have introduced a new newsletter feature picking out a key company that is promoting sustainability and responsible purchasing. We start with Heritage Doors & Floors.

Heritage Doors & Floors Group provide a range of joinery products from its manufacturing facilities in Sheffield. They began manufacturing doors for retail customers in the 1990's and soon became known for excellent quality solid oak doors. The range has rapidly expanded to include flooring in a range of styles as well as other joinery products. They now supply products to major companies such as Howden Joinery and Jewson.



Lloyd Barnes, Director at Heritage Doors & Floors said: "At Heritage we believe that using sustainably-sourced timber is the only responsible way to manufacture timber products. Gaining PEFC certification has been very important in giving our customers confidence in our sustainable timber sourcing and has already enabled us to develop additional business with new customers."

For more information visit: *www.theheritagecollection.co.uk*



Surface Design Awards 2017



PEFC UK is pleased to announce that it is sponsoring the Best Public Building category award at the 2017 Surface Design Awards. Now in their fourth year, these awards recognise examples of progressive design and the use of innovative surfaces in projects both in the UK and internationally. Our involvement in these awards is designed to raise PEFC's profile within the influential architecture and design communities.

The Awards Presentation will take place on Thursday 7th February 2017 at a lunchtime ceremony during the Surface Design Show at The Business Design Centre. Mick Jordan, Editor of *Mix Interiors* will be hosting the Awards.

Further information about the show and awards can be found at *www.surfacedesignshow.com*

PEFC short-listed for TTJ Environmental Achievement Award

In September, PEFC was delighted to learn that we'd been shortlisted in the Environmental Achievement category of the annual TTJ Awards, alongside Korlam for Kielsteg and Premier Forest Products. Timber Trades Journal (TTJ) is the most respected UK title in its industry sector.



products and improved access to forest certification for forest owners in the region.

While Premier Forest Products pipped PEFC to the top prize on the day, we were delighted to receive such recognition for our work in this key region.

PEFC's inclusion on the shortlist was a result of our commitment to advancing sustainable forest management in Asia. Over the past twelve months, PEFC has made significant progress in developing and advancing sustainable forest management and growing demand for forest certification in the region.

Through a range of innovative methods and partnerships, PEFC International has enabled stakeholders throughout the region to develop national forest certification systems and increased the area of sustainably-managed forests. In addition, it has grown market demand for responsibly-produced PEFC members with endorsed systems PEFC members progressing towards endorsement Countries actively

developing systems



Meet PEFC

PEFC Stakeholder Dialogue Sustainable Landscapes for Sustainable Livelihoods 17th-18th November 2016 Bali, Indonesia

Further details: pefc.org/pefc-week-2016/home

PEFC UK Stakeholder Workshops

Wednesday 11th January 2017 NCVO, 8 All Saints Street, London N1 9RL

Wednesday 18th January 2017 MacDonald Burlington Hotel, Burlington Arcade, 126 New Street, Birmingham B2 4JQ

Further details: www.pefc.co.uk

Surface Design Show Awards Thursday 9th February 2017 Business Design Centre, London

Further details: www.surfacedesignshow.com/ surface-design-awards/awards-presentation

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The Times – Future of Packaging Report

See PEFC UK's half page advertisement in today's **Raconteur** report – *The Future of Packaging.* This is



one of 70 special interest business reports for *The Times* and *Sunday Times* newspapers. These reports are read by the UK's largest and most senior business readership. Our participation therefore provides us with a wonderful opportunity to highlight the assurances of using the PEFC label on certified packaging provides.

See the advert at: https://raconteur.uberflip.com /i/742785-future-of-packaging-specialreport-2016

New Publications from PEFC

Two new titles have recently been added to the PEFC library. **PEFC In A Nutshell** - is published in a handy counter-top, DL format which aims to provide a clear and concise explanation of the PEFC programme why you should choose PEFC.



The Group Certification brochure

aims to explain the benefits of the group certification to small,

independent businesses. It is a simple, straightforward and cost-effective way to benefit from PEFC Chain of Custody certification.

Copies of both brochures are available free of charge. They can either be downloaded from the PEFC website or

printed copies can be obtained by e-mailing: *hilary.khawam@pefc.co.uk*

