

Wood *WORKS!* E-Bulletin Branché sur le bois

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National

- **2010 Olympics**

As work on the Olympic Oval is almost complete – Wood *WORKS!* continues to work with the design team to provide technical support. A total innovative wood roof option is being used for the oval making it on of the largest recreational wood structures in the world. Wood *WORKS!* has also worked closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities being a Curling Rink and Nordic Center and have been providing technical advice to the construction team which has ensured that wood solutions are used on all 2010 structures. A decision is pending from the City of Vancouver to create a glulam arch over part of Robson Street in downtown Vancouver.

Les Jeux olympiques 2010

Comme le travail de construction de l'ovale olympique est presque terminé, l'équipe de Branché sur le bois continue de travailler avec l'équipe de conception et de lui offrir du soutien technique. Un toit en bois très innovateur couvrira l'ovale, ce qui en fera une des plus vastes structures en bois au monde dans le cas d'une installation récréative. De plus, l'équipe Branché sur le bois a travaillé en étroite collaboration avec les architectes et les ingénieurs responsables des autres installations de 2010, notamment une surface de curling et un centre nordique, et offre des conseils techniques à l'équipe de construction qui a veillé à ce que l'on utilise des solutions de bois sur tous les bâtiments de 2010. On attend une décision de la Ville de Vancouver concernant la création d'une arche en lamellé-collé au-dessus d'une partie de la rue Robson au centre-ville de Vancouver.

- **Mid-rise Wood Building Study**

Discussions of the feasibility and practicality for the construction of wood structured buildings over 5 stories high are to take place. Experts are to evaluate and identify details specific to this study and develop a plan of action. For more information on this study or to be part of the discussions please contact Jennifer Duthie at: jduthie@cw.ca

Étude sur les immeubles de taille moyenne

Il y aura des discussions sur la rentabilité et l'aspect pratique de la construction d'une structure de bois pour les immeubles de plus de cinq étages. Des experts évalueront et détermineront les détails propres à cette étude et élaboreront un plan d'action. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements concernant cette étude ou pour participer aux discussions, veuillez communiquer avec Jennifer Duthie à: jduthie@cw.ca

- **Engineering Wood Structures Survey**

Wood *WORKS!* has developed a survey exclusively for Canadian engineers to identify their needs for wood building design tools. Special emphasis is placed on identifying the elements needed for software to aid in their design and development of wood structures. To take the survey please contact the Wood *WORKS!* team in your province.

Sondage sur les structures de bois conçues par des ingénieurs

L'équipe de Branché sur le bois a élaboré un sondage à l'intention des ingénieurs canadiens afin de cerner leurs besoins en matière d'outils de conception d'immeubles en bois. On cherchera surtout à déterminer les

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from the ground with WOOD a
major signature in its design](#)

Upcoming Events

éléments logiciels qui faciliteront la conception et l'élaboration de structures de bois. Pour répondre au sondage, veuillez communiquer avec l'équipe de Branché sur le bois de votre province.

- **Sustainable Wood**

The Wood WORKS! team has been asked to assist the wood industry in defending and promoting the green attributes of wood products to communities and design professionals. Peter Moonen of Wood WORKS! BC is actively coordinating this initiative. For more information please contact Peter Moonen at: pmoonen@wood-works.ca

Bois durable

On a demandé à l'équipe de Branché sur le bois d'aider l'industrie du bois à défendre et à promouvoir les attributs écologiques des produits de bois auprès des collectivités et des professionnels de conception. Peter Moonen de Branché sur le bois coordonne activement cette initiative. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements, veuillez communiquer avec Peter Moonen dont les coordonnées sont les suivantes : pmoonen@wood-works.ca

British Columbia

- **Provincial Steering Committee Meeting**

The provincial steering committee for Wood WORKS! BC will be meeting on Tuesday, April 15th in the Airport Delta Hotel, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm. Based on valuable direction from last year's provincial steering committee meeting, Wood WORKS! has undertaken several new initiatives. This year's meeting will report on findings and results from these initiatives, and seek direction on moving forward.

- **Upcoming Technical Meetings and Events**

Upcoming meetings in the next month for Wood WORKS! BC technical team, Bill Billups and Sukh Johal include meetings with Bogdonov Pao Associates Ltd. Structural Engineers to discuss connection solutions for a retrofit of the Coquitlam Recreation Centre; one day training session on the Woodworks software with Robert Jonkman, manager structural engineering, CWC; representation at the Building Officials Association of BC annual meeting in Kelowna, April 20 – 23; the 2008 Structures Congress (PreFab Conference) being held April 24 – 26th in Vancouver.

- **2008 Wood Catapult Competition**

A damp and drizzly morning gave way to sunny skies at the second annual Wood Catapult Competition hosted by BC Wood WORKS! and Canadian Wood Council at the UBC Sports Fields on Saturday, March 8, 2008. This year's event saw 10 teams, representing 5 different schools, vying for first place overall. The teams came from North Island College, University of British Columbia, British Columbia Institute of Technology, Okanagan College and University of British Columbia – Okanagan.

Upon arrival at Spencer Field East, the teams' siege engines (catapults, trebuchets, ballistas and crossbows) were weighed and assessed before being assembled for their presentations . Each team then gave a 10-15 minute oral presentation to the three judges about their project, explaining the design and function, the type of materials used, overall specifications, and performance of initial testing. The judges were impressed by the presentations and only a half mark separated the top two teams. The Best Presentation Award was earned by the UBC team, "Weapon of Mass Destruction", who scored 71.5/75.

After lunch the teams gathered again at the field in anticipation of the

[April 22nd, Ottawa, ON Luncheon Conference](#)

Potential Wood Projects Pursued by Wood WORKS!

For more information on the projects , please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.

[British Columbia:](#)

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

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performance trials. This is always a highlight, as their final product is finally put to the test. In order to win, a team must hit all three targets (set at 20, 30 and 45 metres) and accumulate as many points as possible within 30 minutes. After that the teams have another 5 minutes (or three tries) to achieve the longest distance throw, irrespective of accuracy. Many spectators, and a few media, lined the field to cheer the teams on during the afternoons performance.

After tabulating all of the results from the day, the judges awarded wooden engraved plaques and prizes to the following teams:

First Place Overall: “The Knights Who Say NIC”, North Island College – 1866 points

The cash prize of \$1500.00 was sponsored by ASTTBC (Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of British Columbia)

Second Place Overall: “Mustache Revolution”, UBC – 841 points

The cash prize of \$1000.00 was sponsored by APEG (Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC)

Third Place Overall: “Bone Saw”, BCIT – 421.5 points

The cash prize of \$500.00 was sponsored by Forintek (FP Innovations – Forintek Division)

Longest Distance plaque awarded to “The Knights Who Say NIC”, North Island College – 119.8 meters

Team Spirit plaque awarded to “1500 BC”, UBC

Best Report plaque was earned by “The Knights Who Say NIC”, North Island College – 97/100

- **Mid Rise Developments Forum**

Over 50 practitioners participated in the second Wood WORKS! forum in Toronto earlier this month.

The forum, coordinated by BC and Ontario Wood WORKS!, was the second of two forums held to explore opportunities for wood use in mid-rise (5-8 story) developments. Expert speakers from the UK and USA provided their Canadian counterparts with examples of how their jurisdictions have approached this opportunity. Forum participants then identified obstacles to wood use in mid-rise construction, and explored solutions to overcome these obstacles.

The project action plan will identify what is required to achieve this goal, including further technical research, testing and substantial coordination with building code officials. A multi-stakeholder approach to developing a solution to increase wood use in buildings over 4 stories will be key to advancing this project. To this end, Wood WORKS! will be meeting with Forintek in April to discuss a collaborative approach.

Alberta

- **New Building with Wood Video**

Alberta Wood WORKS! invites industry, colleagues, associates, and friends to visit and view a New Building with Wood Video now accessible on YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TGG-4uaJ2uY>

- **Case Study**

Alberta Wood WORKS! Case Study underway. Grassi Middle School in Cochrane, Alberta. Alberta Wood WORKS! aims to demonstrate the benefits of wood construction with education institutions.

Ontario

- **Canadian Wood Council & Canadian Lumbermen’s Association AGMs Montreal, Feb 20th to 22nd**

[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

[Alberta:](#)

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

[Community Hall, La Crete, AB](#)

[Evergreen Park Conference Pavilion, Grande Prairie, AB](#)

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Wood *WORKS!* update and technical presentation made to the CWC marketing committee.

- **Architects' Lunch and Learn
Vaughan, March 3rd**
In-house presentation for 25 people at Intra Architects
- **Ontario Forest Industries Association AGM
Toronto, March 5th**
Ontario Chair Jamie Lim updated members on success and progress of Wood *WORKS!*
- **Multi-Storey Forum
Toronto, March 6th**
Hosted by Wood *WORKS!*, the mid-rise forum saw 50 professionals from the design and building community and forest products industry gather to take in presentations, discuss opportunities, and generate solutions to the challenges facing the use of wood and wood products in mid-rise construction.
- **Presentation to the University of Toronto
Toronto, March 7th**
Wood *WORKS!* presentation to 12 senior undergraduate and graduate students from the Faculty of Forestry who are participating in the Student Wood Product Design Competition.
- **Presentation to Sheridan College
Oakville, March 11th**
Presentation to 35 Craft and Design students competing in the 2008 wood design competition.
- **Presentation to Loyalist College
Belleville, March 13th**
33 students and faculty of the Architectural Technology department attended a presentation covering Wood *WORKS!* and the CWC, the forest products industry and the student competition.
- **Green North Eco Conference
Thunder Bay, March 18th to 19th**
Wood *WORKS!* participated in a panel discussion and gave a well attended presentation (immediately preceding the keynote luncheon address by Thunder Bay Architect John Stephenson) that focused on Wood *WORKS!* in Northern Ontario and Sustainability.
- **Presentation to Confederation College
March 19th**
Presentation to 20 Architectural Technology students.
- **Presentation to Conestoga College
Kitchener, March 19th**
Presentation to 80 Woodworking Technician and Woodworking Technology students.
- **Wood Design Luncheon Conferences
Winnipeg, March 26th, Richmond Hill March 27th**
Wood *WORKS!* hosted two very successful continuing education seminars designed for architects, engineers, contractors, technologists, builders and building officials. More than 150 professionals attended the two seminars to learn about Engineered Wood Products and the Building Code, The Role of Structural Heavy Timber Roofs in Architecture, and Building Green in the North.
- **Upcoming**
Building Department Lunch and Learn – Kitchener, April 10th
Technical presentation to the Building Department of the City

Wood Links

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[Wood \(IN\)Site, the electronic
newsletter for builders,
architects and engineers.](#)

of Kitchener. Topics include: applications for wood and wood based products, engineered wood products (EWP), truss applications, wall panels, wood products, codes and standards. Wood Design Luncheon Conference – Ottawa, April 22nd Sign up for this free continuing education conference designed for architects, engineers, contractors, technologists, builders and building officials. Presentation topics will cover New Opportunities for Wood-Based Products in Single and Multi-Storey Hybrid Building Construction; Challenging Designs and Innovative Solutions in Heavy Timber Construction; Wood Buildings: Towards Net Zero; and Lateral Design for Wood Buildings: Design Principles and Loads. Email tbuhler@wood-works.ca

Book a “Lunch and Learn” Presentation for your Building Department Keep your office current with what is happening in the wood products industry. Call Wood WORKS! Ontario’s Technical Directors Max Torossi (ext 385) or Steven Street (ext 383) to book a Lunch and Learn presentation. The call (1-866-886-3574), lunch, and the session are all free! Topics include: applications for wood and wood based products, engineered wood products (EWP), truss applications, wall panels, wood products, codes and standards

Angus Glen Community Centre Case Study

Look for this new case study covering the topic of wood use in a pool environment to be published early this spring.

8th Annual Wood WORKS! Awards Gala – Toronto Congress Centre, November, 12th

This is THE high profile event of the year for the forest products industry. The 2007 Gala saw 425 architects, engineers, project owners and elected officials, including The Honourable Michael Gravelle, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, and The Honourable Donna Cansfield, Minister of Natural Resources, come together to honour excellence in wood design. Don’t miss your chance to participate. For sponsorship opportunities contact Marianne Berube, Ontario Director at 1-866-886-3574 ext 224.

Toronto Wood Solutions Fair – Toronto Congress Centre, November 13th

To become a sponsor or to exhibit at the Toronto fair this fall, please contact Sarah Hicks shicks@cwcc.ca for event information and an exhibitor registration form.

Québec

- **New member of the team**

The Centre d’expertise sur la construction commerciale en bois has hired a second structural engineer. The newest team member is François Chaurette, Eng., who graduated from Montréal’s École Polytechnique in civil

engineering, with an option in structure, in 1982. He has worked in the roof truss industry since 1982, notably for Systèmes de construction Jager and MiTek. Mr. Chaurette is very familiar with engineered wood products. During his years with Jager, he was involved in some forty technical communiqués on various subjects, including design loads, codes, and various technical tables.

Since the beginning of the year, the Centre's team has met with a variety of stakeholders on commercial wood construction projects. Louis Poliquin and Christian Dagenais met with Le Groupe Le Massif from Petite-Rivière-Saint-François to provide support for its recreational tourism project. Territoire Le Massif includes a 150-room hotel, a train station, an entertainment building, a square and a public market

Nouveau membre dans l'équipe

Le Centre d'expertise sur la construction commerciale en bois a procédé à l'embauche d'un deuxième ingénieur en structure. Il s'agit de François Chaurette, ing., diplômé de l'École Polytechnique de Montréal en génie civil, option structure, en 1982. Il a travaillé dans l'industrie des fermes de toit depuis 1982, notamment pour Systèmes de construction Jager et MiTek. M. Chaurette connaît très bien les produits en bois d'ingénierie. Au fil des ans chez Jager, il a participé à la réalisation d'une quarantaine de communiqués techniques sur différents sujets comme les charges de calcul, les codes et divers tableaux techniques.

Depuis le début de l'année, l'équipe du Centre a rencontré différents intervenants concernant des projets de construction commerciale en bois. Louis Poliquin et Christian Dagenais ont rencontré Le Groupe Le Massif de Petite-Rivière-Saint-François pour les appuyer dans leur projet récréo-touristique. Territoire Le Massif comprend un hôtel de 150 chambres, une gare, une salle de spectacles, une place et un marché public.

- **Promotional activities**

François Chaurette also met the project manager for the new Montréal Symphony Orchestra building. Mr. Jean Roy demonstrated a real interest in benefiting from the Centre's expertise and receiving technical advice on everything to do with the use of wood in this project. He is prepared to recommend the Centre to bidders. Meetings with them on the technical aspects – structural, mechanical, electrical – are planned for mid-March. One of the bidders, SNC Lavalin, would be interested in submitting a proposal that incorporates wood. The project manager is of the view that not everything can be made of wood, but a hybrid structure may be possible. Wood already has a major role in non-structural applications like seats, floors, and the decor.

Christian Dagenais met with Louis Pageau, Eng, Engineer-Coordinator of real property management services for Québec City to discuss the use of wood in non-residential buildings in the city, specifically the construction project for the 200,000-square foot Montmorency hangar.

Finally, Louis Poliquin met in February with the Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean chambers of commerce, who are considering taking a position promoting the use of wood in commercial buildings in their region.

Activités de démarchage

François Chaurette a également rencontré le chargé de projet pour le nouvel édifice de l'Orchestre symphonique de Montréal. M. Jean Roy s'est montré très intéressé à l'idée de profiter de l'expertise du Centre pour obtenir des avis techniques sur tout ce qui touche l'utilisation du bois dans ce projet. Il est prêt à recommander le Centre auprès des soumissionnaires. Des rencontres avec eux touchant les aspects techniques – structure, mécanique, électricité – sont prévues à la mi-mars. L'un des

soumissionnaires, SNC Lavallin, serait intéressé à faire une proposition incluant le bois. Pour le chargé de projet, tout ne pourrait être en bois mais il est possible d'envisager une structure hybride. Le bois occuperait déjà une place importante dans les applications non structurales comme les sièges, les planchers et la décoration.

Christian Dagenais a rencontré Louis Pageau, ing, ingénieur – coordonnateur du Service de la gestion des immeubles de la ville de Québec pour discuter de l'utilisation du bois dans les bâtiments non résidentiels de la ville de Québec, plus particulièrement sur le projet de construction du hangar Montmorency d'une superficie de 20 000 pieds carrés.

Enfin, Louis Poliquin a rencontré en février les chambres de commerce du Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean qui envisagent de prendre position pour l'utilisation du bois dans les édifices commerciaux dans leur région.

- **Coming to the Web!**

The Centre's Web site is currently under development. Like the Web site of the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction, the Centre's site will be intended for engineers and architects, who will be able to access information and references needed for commercial wood construction. The site will also be a showcase for accomplishments and for promoting wood products and their manufacturers.

Bientôt sur la toile !

Le site Internet du Centre est actuellement en voie de développement. À l'instar du site de l'Institut canadien de la construction en acier, celui du Centre s'adressera aux ingénieurs et aux architectes qui pourront y trouver l'information et les références nécessaires à la construction commerciale en bois. Le site sera également une vitrine pour présenter des réalisations et pour promouvoir les produits du bois et leurs fabricants.

- **Continuing education**

Christian Dagenais participated in a forum on multi-storey wood construction organized by the Canadian Wood Council in Toronto in early March. Christian Dagenais and François Chaurette will attend training on fire resistance at Carleton University in Ottawa next May. The training will cover the concept of performance based on objective-oriented codes and will describe the difference between a normative-based design process and an engineering-based process. Actual cases will be presented for different types of buildings.

Formation continue

Christian Dagenais a participé à un forum sur la construction multiétages en bois organisé par le Centre canadien du bois à Toronto au début de mars. Christian Dagenais et François Chaurette participeront à une formation sur la résistance au feu à l'Université Carleton en mai prochain à Ottawa. La formation abordera la notion de performance sur la base des codes axés sur les objectifs et décrira la différence entre le processus de conception au moyen d'une approche normative et le processus utilisant l'approche d'ingénierie. On y présentera des cas concrets pour différents types de bâtiments.

- **Training for engineers**

Training on wood frame calculations as per the 2005 Canada Building Code and the CSA 086-01 standard will take place in Longueuil. This training was designed for engineers by the Centre d'expertise sur la construction commerciale en bois and the Centre de recherche sur le bois de l'Université Laval, and will deal with wood as a frame material as well as engineered wood and jointings. The specificities of wood construction will be examined with the help of examples of Canadian and international applications.

Formations pour ingénieurs

Des formations sur le calcul des charpentes en bois selon le Code national du bâtiment du Canada 2005 et la norme CSA 086-01 auront lieu à Longueuil. Organisées à l'intention des ingénieurs par le Centre d'expertise sur la construction commerciale en bois et le Centre de recherche sur le bois de l'Université Laval, les formations porteront sur le bois comme matériau de charpente ainsi que sur les bois d'ingénierie et les assemblages. Les spécificités de la construction en bois seront examinées à l'aide d'exemples d'applications canadiens et internationaux.

- **A helping hand for the Green City**

The Centre will lend its expertise, in collaboration with FPInnovations – Forintek, to Québec's Green City project in terms of the use of wood. The SSQ and Desjardins project is worth at least 100 million dollars. It will include 720 new housing units, including several 5- to 10-storey buildings in the Saint-Sacrement district.

Un coup de pouce à la Cité verte

Le Centre apportera son expertise, en collaboration avec FPInnovations – Forintek, au projet Cité verte à Québec pour l'utilisation du bois. Le projet de la SSQ et Desjardins est d'une valeur d'au moins 100 millions de dollars. Il comprendra 720 nouvelles unités de logement, dont plusieurs blocs de 5 à 10 étages de hauteur, dans le quartier Saint-Sacrement.

- **Market study on the potential use of wood for commercial construction in Quebec**

The Centre has commissioned a study to determine the market potential for structural wood in commercial construction in Quebec. Despite its exploratory nature, the study has enabled us to identify potential of 100 million to 150 million board-feet (structural use). This does not include the untapped potential of multifamily dwellings, which are often built of concrete and whose exterior and interior walls could be made of wood. In Quebec, the value of non-residential construction permits, i.e., permits for commercial, industrial and institutional construction, was 11,878 billion dollars in 2006, which is 18% of the Canadian total.

Retail and wholesale stores have dominated the non-residential commercial construction sector for some years now. The sector also relies heavily on office buildings. These two groups represent nearly 40% of spending in the commercial sector. According to the study, approximately 84% of non-residential buildings can be built of wood, which suggests untapped potential of approximately 66% of buildings. Still according to the study, the target should be small, single-storey commercial buildings of 5,000 to 10,000 square feet, and two-storey professional service buildings of 10,000 to 20,000 square feet.

Étude de marché sur l'utilisation potentielle du bois dans la construction commerciale au Québec

Le Centre a commandé une étude pour déterminer le potentiel de marché pour le bois de structure dans la construction commerciale au Québec. Malgré son caractère exploratoire, l'étude a permis de circonscrire un potentiel de 100 millions à 150 millions de pieds mesure de planche (usage structural), sans tenir compte du potentiel non exploité dans les logements collectifs souvent construits en béton et dont les murs extérieurs et intérieurs pourraient être en bois. Au Québec, la valeur des permis de la construction non résidentielle, c'est-à-dire la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle, était de 11,878 milliards de dollars en 2006, soit 18 % de celle du Canada.

Les magasins de détail et en gros dominent le secteur commercial de la construction non résidentielle depuis quelques années. Le secteur peut également compter sur les immeubles à bureaux. Ces deux groupes

représentent près de 40 % des dépenses dans le secteur commercial. Selon l'étude, environ 84 % des bâtiments non résidentiels peuvent être construits en bois, ce qui laisse voir un potentiel non capturé d'environ 66 % des bâtiments. Toujours selon l'étude, il faudrait viser les petits bâtiments commerciaux de 5000 à 10 000 pieds carré sur un étage et des édifices de services professionnels de 10 000 à 20 000 pieds carrés sur deux étages.

- **Study of the environmental impact of commercial wood construction**

The Centre is working on a study of the environmental impact of commercial wood construction. The study includes analyses of the environmental impact depending on the choice of input materials for different wall sections, floors, and solid walls. The study also provides a complete analysis of the life cycle of different types of commercial building, including franchise restaurants. The study should be finished in late June.

The Centre d'expertise, presents!

The Centre d'expertise will have a kiosk at the next Quebec Forest Industry Council annual convention in Québec City from May 7 to 9. The convention's theme is "Forests and Society: Confronting Realities and Perceptions". The Centre will also be present at the 71st Annual Conference and Municipal Expo of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) from May 30 to June 2, 2008 in Québec City. This year's theme, "Celebrating our Past, Shaping our Future", will provide opportunities for participating cities to both discuss their actions and identify future approaches. The Centre will also participate in the annual conference of the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (CSCE), which will take place June 10 to 13, 2008 in Québec City. The theme "Partnership for Innovation" is an invitation for civil engineering materials industries to cooperate with each other with a view to innovation.

Étude sur l'impact environnemental de la construction commerciale en bois

Le Centre est à compléter une étude sur l'impact environnemental de la construction commerciale en bois. L'étude comprend analyses de l'impact environnemental selon le choix des matériaux entrant dans différentes coupes de murs, de planchers et de murs massifs. L'étude inclut également une analyse complète du cycle de vie pour différents types de bâtiments commerciaux dont des restaurants franchisés. L'étude devrait être complétée à la fin de juin.

Le Centre d'expertise, présent !

Le Centre d'expertise aura un stand au prochain congrès du Conseil de l'industrie forestière du Québec du 7 au 9 mai à Québec dont le thème est « Forêt et société : réalités et perceptions ». Il sera aussi présent au 71e congrès annuel et exposition municipale de la Fédération canadienne des municipalités (FCM) du 30 mai au 2 juin 2008 à Québec. Le thème retenu, « Célébrer notre passé, bâtir notre avenir », permettra aux villes participantes de faire à la fois le bilan de leur action et de dégager des pistes d'avenir. Le Centre participera également au congrès annuel de la Société canadienne de génie civil (SCGC) qui se déroulera du 10 au 13 juin 2008 à Québec. Le thème « Partenariat pour l'innovation » constitue une invitation aux industries des matériaux du génie civil à collaborer entre elles pour innover.

- **Green Paper: Forests, Building a Future for Québec**

The Government of Quebec recently submitted its green paper on the reform of the forest regime for consultation. This initiative was heavily inspired by the results of the Summit on the Future of the Quebec Forest Sector, which was held last December. One of the areas of consensus that emerged from the Summit was to adopt a policy aimed at increasing the use of wood in construction in Quebec. The Green Paper proposes to develop a strategy to

increase the use of wood in non-residential construction through the development of tools, the creation of business opportunities, promotion, and innovation.

Quebec intends to create business opportunities by requiring the development of structural and architectural solutions using wood for the construction of public buildings. A Quebec wood alliance will be created to encourage the various sectors of the economy and the people of Quebec to consider wood as a modern choice in a context of sustainable development. The alliance will bring together agencies, institutions and businesses in joint initiatives for promotion and the use of wood. The Centre intends to be very involved in this project!

Livre vert La forêt, pour construire le Québec de demain

Le gouvernement du Québec a récemment soumis à la consultation son livre vert sur la réforme du régime forestier. La démarche gouvernementale a été fortement inspirée par les travaux réalisés dans le cadre du Sommet sur l'avenir du secteur forestier du Québec, tenu en décembre dernier.

D'ailleurs, l'un des consensus issu du Sommet était d'adopter une politique visant à augmenter l'utilisation du bois dans la construction au Québec. Le livre vert propose de se doter d'une stratégie visant à accroître l'utilisation du bois dans la construction non résidentielle par le développement d'outils, la création d'occasions d'affaires, le promotion et l'innovation.

Le Québec entend créer ces occasions d'affaires en exigeant l'élaboration de solutions structurales et architecturales en bois pour les projets de construction des édifices publics. Une alliance québécoise du bois sera créée pour entraîner les différents secteurs de l'économie et la population à considérer le bois comme un choix moderne dans un contexte de développement durable. L'alliance rassemblera des organismes, des institutions et des entreprises dans des initiatives conjointes de promotion et d'utilisation du bois. Le Centre compte y être très actif !

Wood WORKS! would like to thank its project partners.

Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.

The Wood WORKS! project is a national, industry-led initiative, spearheaded by the Canadian Wood Council, to promote the use of wood in commercial, industrial and institutional construction. The Wood WORKS! E-Bulletin is our method to communicate to you the many activities, accomplishments and successes of the initiative throughout the past month, as well as upcoming projects and events we are currently working on.

Le projet Branché sur le bois est une initiative nationale, lancée par l'industrie et menée par le Conseil canadien du bois, afin de promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle. Le Bulletin Branché sur le bois s'avère notre méthode de communication pour vous informer des activités, résultats et succès du projet au cours du mois, en plus de vous mettre au courant des événements à venir.

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