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

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### National

- **2010 Olympics**  
Funding from Forestry Innovation Investment Ltd. (FII) to initiate activities around 2010 and the 2010 buildings has been approved. Canadian Wood Council/ Wood WORKS! in partnership with industry partners has developed a detailed work plan to ensure that wood is showcase in the Olympic buildings. Several communication and technical activities have been launched.

#### ***Les Jeux olympiques 2010***

*Le FII (Forestry Innovation Investment Ltd.) a approuvé le financement pour lancer les activités entourant 2010. Le Conseil canadien du bois / Branché sur le bois! en association avec les partenaires d'industrie a développé un plan de travail détaillé pour assurer que le bois occupe une position importante dans les bâtiments Olympiques. Plusieurs activités techniques et de communication ont été mises sur pied.*

- **National Sponsorship**  
Efforts are underway to confirm sponsorship support for the present year. Funding for the Wood WORKS! initiative comes from industry, corporate sponsors and government programs. As industry is the direct beneficiary of the project, it is important for Wood WORKS! to receive support from industry to help develop new markets for wood products in non-residential construction. We hope that the successes experienced by the Wood WORKS! team will entice existing and new sponsors to support our program in 2005. Sponsorship questions should be addressed to Etienne Lalonde at (613) 747-5544 ext. 230.

#### ***Le partenariat national***

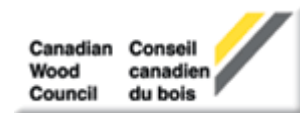
*Les efforts sont en route pour confirmer le soutien de partenariat pour l'année en cours. Le financement pour l'initiative Branché sur le bois! vient de l'industrie, les sponsors corporatifs et les programmes gouvernementaux. Comme l'industrie est le bénéficiaire direct du projet, c'est important pour l'initiative Branché sur le bois! de recevoir le soutien de l'industrie pour aider à développer les nouveaux marchés pour les produits de bois dans la construction non-résidentielle. Nous espérons que les succès connus par l'équipe de Branché sur le bois! attireront des nouveaux partenaires. Les questions de partenariat devraient être adressées au Etienne Lalonde au (613) 747-5544 poste 230.*

- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**  
The Wood WORKS! web site will be revamped. New information will be added and a new user-friendly site will be developed. The new site should be ready to be launched later this year. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Ioana Lazea at: [ilazea@cwcc.ca](mailto:ilazea@cwcc.ca)

#### ***Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!***

*Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! sera mis à jour. De nouveaux*

Wood WORKS! is a  
Canadian Wood Council  
initiative



*Branché sur le bois est une  
initiative du Conseil canadien  
du bois*

### Feature Stories

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Wood WORKS! Growth Plan](#)

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[Case Study Underway](#)

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*renseignements seront ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé plus tard cette année. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Ioana Lazea à : [ilazea@cbc.ca](mailto:ilazea@cbc.ca)*

## British Columbia

- **Armstrong Spallumcheen Arena Workshop Popular at Union of BC Municipalities Annual Convention**  
The Armstrong Spallumcheen Arena presentation proved extremely popular with Union of BC members at this year's annual convention. Councillor Chris Pieper from the community of Armstrong along with project architects, Graham Edmonds of Cartier Architects and Richard Bolus, CEI Architects gave an overview of the project from the beginning when wood was requested by the community for the arena, through the construction phase to the opening now taking place in the Fall 2005. Of particular interest to the audience was the information provided regarding the design charette process that took place over a two day period. All involved agreed that this could have taken two months outside of the charette. The Regional District of the Sunshine Coast is currently giving a design charette consideration for their upcoming arena and aquatic facility. There is considerable interest on the Sunshine Coast to have a strong wood component in these new facilities.
- **Wood WORKS! teaming up with Community Futures in Revelstoke**  
When awarded the Forestry Capital of Canada honour this past year, the community of Revelstoke decided that building with wood should become a priority. Wood WORKS! was approached by Community Futures in Revelstoke to help organize a one day workshop being held Oct 21 covering various topics on wood construction. In addition to presentations by Wood WORKS! BC director, Mary Tracey, and team member, Peter Moonen, speaking on sustainable construction the program will also include presentations by design professionals Jim Meiklejohn and Janet Lutz on their experience with the use of wood in schools and resorts. Chris Pieper from the community of Armstrong will talk to the group about the use of wood in the new Armstrong/Spallumcheen Arena.
- **Wood Design Luncheon Conferences**  
The BC Wood Design Luncheon Conferences are proving to be popular again this year. Registration is brisk for the Vancouver, Victoria and Kelowna events being held next month. For program information and registration visit [this link](#). Contact event coordinator Lorna Malone at [lmalone@wood-works.org](mailto:lmalone@wood-works.org) to book your exhibitor space.

## Alberta

- **Activities for Alberta Wood WORKS!**  
The Alberta Wood WORKS! Project has been active on several fronts and the following highlights some of the major activities that are being pursued by the program:  
**Alberta Wood Solutions Fair** - confirmed for Edmonton Spring 2006 exact date and venue still not confirmed  
**Alberta Wood Design Awards** - Award Categories have been selected and Award Jury is now selected and an RFP has been sent to Alberta Wood Carvers to seek a potential award design.  
**Condo Fire in South Edmonton Maligned Building with Wood** - A roaring condo fire in south Edmonton in late August, 2005 renewed calls for higher on-site construction controls and reduced use of flammable materials for

## Upcoming Events

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[2005 Wood Solutions Fairs: Ottawa, November 2, 2005](#)

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[5th Annual Ontario Wood Awards Gala: November 24, 2005, Blue Mountain, Collingwood](#)

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## 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.*

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### British Columbia:

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

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[Armstrong / Spallumcheen Arena, Armstrong, BC](#)

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### Alberta:

[Recreation Centre, St. Albert](#)

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[Upgrades to the Edmonton Museum, Edmonton](#)

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[Multi-Residential Unit,](#)

construction. Alberta Wood *WORKS!* addressed concerns sectors (insurance and fire chief) that wood is not the issue since the fire was caused by human error - a propane torch was knocked over.

**Case Study** - Ongoing - Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building in the south side of Edmonton at the Research Park - early phase - initial visit made; first pictures taken; currently meeting and sourcing data on project.

**Presentation made to Alberta Government's Standing Policy Committee on Economy and Sustainable Development** - presentation focused on Wood *WORKS!* efforts in Alberta and the surmounting challenges against the use of wood in non-residential construction. A call for greater funding and a dedication by the government to build more with wood in the billions of dollars projected on schools, municipal facilities, provincial facilities, health care facilities...and more. One of the key results is a scheduled meeting with the Ministers of Alberta Economic Development and Sustainable Resource Development on October 20.

## Ontario

- **Ontario Wood *WORKS!* announces new Chair**  
Effective October 1st Jamie Lim, President and CEO of the Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA), has taken over the role of Chair of Ontario Wood *WORKS!* Jamie has been very involved with Wood *WORKS!* since its inception 5 years ago, and will continue to provide valuable advocacy and support. We wish to thank our past Chair, Jim Lopez, who has provided direction and leadership over the past 5 years and truly helped make Wood *WORKS!* the success it is today. We wish Jim all the best in his new role as CEO of Tembec and will be recognizing his contributions at this year's Awards Gala on November 24th.
- **Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC), Sep. 14th, 2005**  
Wood *WORKS!* made a presentation to over 200 attendees as one of a panel leading a session entitled "Economic Growth: Your Forests, Your Wood, Your Future". The presentation was well received and engaged Municipal leaders from eastern Ontario to build with wood. Several project leads and future opportunities to speak resulted.
- **Timmins Library officially opened on Sep. 22nd, 2005**  
After several years of hard lobbying and support from Wood *WORKS!*, the CWC and previous Mayor Jamie Lim the new Timmins Library officially opened. The project was successfully converted to wood from a steel design and is now a public building in the community that everyone is proud of. Wood *WORKS!* is working on a case study that will include the Athena Life Cycle Assessment to provide information and encourage other communities to follow Timmins' lead with building with wood.
- **Michigan Forest Products Council, Lansing Michigan Sept. 29-30 th, 2005**  
Chair Jamie Lim and Marianne Berube made a presentation to the Board of Directors at their recent meeting in Lansing Michigan. The presentation covered continental markets, partnerships and the Wood *WORKS!* initiative. Members were very enthused with the project and want to look at further opportunities for speaking engagements and working together.
- **Oct. 4th- Jury meeting for 5th Annual Wood *WORKS!* awards Gala.**  
Jury members were elated at the number and quality of submissions for this year's Awards Gala to be held November 24th. With over 60 nominations and building each year we can see the momentum growing in Ontario as many architects, engineers, contractors and municipalities vie for the

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[Ontario:](#)

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[Kitchener Library](#)

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[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

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[Quebec:](#)

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[Misstassini complexe  
communautaire: bibliothèque,  
piscine, centre sportif-  
construction en phases](#)

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[Passerelles pour piste cyclable et  
de moto-neige – Rivière de la  
petite nation](#)

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[Promenade des gouverneurs ,  
Québec](#)

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## Wood Links

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WOODCHAMPIONS  
**network**

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Wood Champions Network!](#)

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Wood  
**Site** 

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

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prestigious awards!

- **5th Annual Wood Awards Gala**  
**November 24, 2005, Blue Mountain, Collingwood**  
**Nominations due by September 16th, 2005.**

This year's event will include the "Sustainable Wood Design Conference". For more information on nominations, sponsorship or on attending this year's event visit our website at [www.woodworksawards.com](http://www.woodworksawards.com).

## Québec

- ***Branché sur le bois! dévoile son nouveau plan de développement pour le Québec***

*Branché sur le bois! a dévoilé son plan de développement afin d'accroître l'utilisation du bois dans la construction non résidentielle au Québec. Ce plan propose différentes stratégies d'action pour atteindre ses objectifs dont le principal qui consiste à accroître de 8% à 18% les parts de marché reliées à la construction non résidentielle au cours des cinq prochaines années. À plus long terme, le plan d'action vise à créer une véritable culture du bois au Québec. Si vous désirez obtenir une copie de ce plan de développement ou vous impliquer dans ce projet stratégique pour le développement de l'industrie du bois au Québec, bien vouloir contacter Mme Patrice Tardif au 514-526-4848 ou par courriel à [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).*

### **Branché sur le bois! releases it's new action plan for Quebec**

Branché sur le bois! has released it's new action plan for Quebec activities to grow the use of wood in non-residential construction. The plan identifies strategies for attaining the principle objectives of growing the current market share in non-residential construction from 8% to 18% in five years time, and in the long term to create a wood culture in Quebec. For copies of the plan, and to implicate yourself in this important effort, contact Patrice Tardif at 514-526-4848 or [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).

- ***Conférence technique dans la Ville de Québec***

*Branché sur le bois! en collaboration avec l'Université Laval et Forintek Canada Corp., tiendra une session d'information technique pour les architectes, les ingénieurs et les autres personnes intéressées par le sujet de la construction non résidentielle avec le bois. Cette conférence aura lieu le 17 novembre prochain au tout nouveau pavillon Gene H. Kruger de l'Université Laval à Sainte-Foy. Au cours de la journée, les présentateurs vont souligner les projets de construction non résidentielle en bois réalisés à ce jour par des architectes et des ingénieurs, et ce autant au Canada qu'en Europe. La question de l'évaluation des performances environnementales des matériaux de construction et des systèmes constructifs sera également abordée. Parmi les conférenciers invités, soulignons la présence de Tye Farrow, associé principal de Farrow Partnership Architects, Éric Karsh, directeur de Equilibrium Consulting, ainsi que Wayne Trusty, président de l'Institut de recherche Athena (bien connu pour son programme d'analyse du cycle de vie des matériaux). Pour plus d'information, contacter Mme Patrice Tardif au 514-526-4848 ou par courriel à [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).*

### **Technical conference to be held in Quebec City**

Branché sur le bois!, in collaboration with Laval University and Forintek Canada Corp., will be holding a technical session for architects, engineers and other interested parties at the new Gene H. Kruger Building of Laval University in Sainte-Foy, Quebec on November 17th, 2005. This daylong conference will highlight non-residential wood construction projects by architects and engineers across Canada as well as in Europe. The topic of

environmental performance measures for building materials and systems will also be presented. Invited speakers include Tye Farrow, senior partner of Farrow Partnership Architects; Eric Karsh, principal at Equilibrium Consulting; and Wayne Trusty, President of the ATHENA Sustainable Materials Institute (well known for its program of life cycle analysis for building materials). For more information, contact Patrice Tardif at 514-526-4848 or [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).

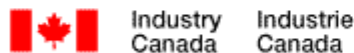
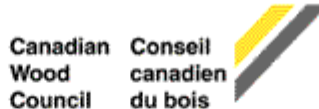
- Rencontre des professionnels au Centre sportif Bois-de-Boulogne**  
*Les Chantiers Chibougamau en collaboration avec Branché sur le bois! organisent une rencontre pour les architectes, les ingénieurs civils et toutes les autres personnes intéressées au nouveau complexe sportif de la Ville de Laval sur l'avenue du Bois-de-Boulogne, le 2 décembre prochain. L'événement débutera par l'introduction de Mme Mamefredis, co-présidente du Comité environnement et bâtiment durable de l'Ordre des architectes du Québec, suivie de présentations sur l'utilisation concurrentielle du bois dans la construction non résidentielle. La journée se terminera par une visite guidée de ce magnifique Complexe. Il s'agit du bâtiment avec structure de bois ayant la plus grande portée libre au Canada. Pour plus d'information, contacter Mme Patrice Tardif au 514-526-4848 ou par courriel à [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).*

**Reception to be held at the Centre sportif Bois-de-Boulogne**

Chantiers Chibougamau, in collaboration with Branché sur le bois!, will be holding a reception for architects, engineers and other interested parties at the new Laval sports complex located on Bois de Boulogne Avenue on the morning of December 2nd, 2005. An introduction by the co-president of the Environment and Sustainable Buildings Committee at the Quebec Order of Architects, Ms. Mamefredis, will be followed by presentations on the competitive use of wood in non-residential construction. A guided tour of the facility, largest free-spanning wood building in Canada, will close out the morning's program, followed by a snack. For more information, contact Patrice Tardif at 514-526-4848 or [ptardif@videotron.ca](mailto:ptardif@videotron.ca).

**Wood WORKS! would like to thank its project partners.**

*Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.*





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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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