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Why Wood?

The conference for architects,
engineers, designers and
wood specialists

*“Timber is no longer the sole
preserve of the traditionalist, but
has an important role to play in
the contemporary world.”*

Ruth Slavid, author, Wood Architecture

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St. Hugh's College, Oxford
19th September 2006

The Institute of Wood Science, founded in 1955, exists for all who care for and have an interest in wood and wood based products. It aims to promote and encourage a better understanding of wood and wood based materials together with associated processes.

Founded in the late 19th Century by Elizabeth Wordsworth (the great niece of the poet), **St. Hugh's College** is situated in a fourteen acre green garden site. Following the success of the IWSc's Jubilee Dinner and Conference at the Haberdashers' and Carpenters' Halls in London last year, St. Hugh's was considered by the Institute as a unique opportunity to hold its annual conference at another exceptional venue.

Why Wood? is the theme of the conference, which will start by featuring a case study of the Marine Institute in Galway – a newly built state of the art research and administration headquarters, designed by the Office of Public Works in Dublin. Wood is used in many applications throughout the project. Current wood research, science and technology in both the production and application of wood will then be presented by expert speakers covering subjects from acetylation to microwave treatment and the use of wood composites. The conference will also address the implications of any lack of knowledge and the opportunities for training in wood science.

The conference will be chaired throughout by Ruth Slavid, Editor of AJ Specification and author of *Wood Architecture*, published last year.

CPD certificates will be issued to delegates on request.

The Institute and sponsors look forward to welcoming you.

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Programme

St. Hugh's College, St Margaret's Road, Oxford, OX2 6LE

Monday 18th September

President's Reception sponsored by TTJ, followed by President's Dinner, with Colin Dexter as after dinner speaker.

Why Wood?

Tuesday 19th September

Chaired by Ruth Slavid, Editor, AJ Specification, and author of "*Wood Architecture*"

From 9am

Marine Institute, Galway. Case study presented by Ciaran O'Connor, Assistant Principle Architect, OPW, Dublin. Panel discussion on the use of exterior & interior hardwoods and treated softwoods.

From 11am

Wood Fit for Purpose. Presentations by Luke Hughes & Co on the right wood for the job, BRE on wood treatments and sustainability by Proforest.

12.45 LUNCH

From 2.15pm

Re-engineering Wood Performance. Presentations on composites by Gordon Cowley, microwave treatment by Peter Vinden and the acetylation of wood by BSW.

From 3.45pm

Wood Science Knowledge. Covering the implications of lack of knowledge and training in wood science.

4.25pm – 4.45

Discussion and close.

Programme subject to final confirmation

CONFERENCE FEES:

Day rate : £75.00 plus VAT

Accommodation list on request or online

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Oxford, 19th September 2006

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