

## PRESS RELEASE

### 2024 European Wood-based Panel Symposium releases its Programme

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The 13<sup>th</sup> European Wood-based Panel Symposium (EWBPS) is set to take place on 9-11 October 2024 in the Grand Elysée Hotel in Hamburg. This high-level event attracts participants from around the world (328 delegates from 28 countries attended the last edition in 2022) and aims to foster dialogues, joint efforts, innovation, and growth within the sector through a range of educational sessions, market updates, networking opportunities, technical presentations, and exhibitions. This upcoming edition promises to be an inspiring gathering for professionals involved in the WBP industry.

The [Symposium's comprehensive programme](#), which is officially released today, sheds light on multidimensional sessions and activities designed to address the latest trends, challenges, and advancements within the industry. Serving as a forum for attendees from Europe and beyond, engaging presentations, insightful panel discussions, and exchange opportunities with peers and industry stakeholders are to be expected.

The 2024 EWBPS will focus on 6 main thematic sessions critical to the WBP industry:

1. Market
2. Resources
3. Artificial Intelligence
4. Recycling
5. Resins
6. Developments

This major event will be opened by Professor Kasal (Fraunhofer WKI) and EPF Technical Director Kris Wijnendaele. EPF Managing Board Member Mr Philipp Sprockhoff will deliver a keynote speech on the overview of the situation of the WBP industry. A total of 17 technical presentations are scheduled during the subsequent technical sessions. Online registration is open via the [Symposium website](#). Early bird registrations are possible by 2 August. Final deadline to register is set on 27 September 2024.

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*About EPF - the European Panel Federation has members in 30 European countries and represents the manufacturers of particleboard, MDF, OSB, hardboard, softboard and plywood. The EU wood-based panels industry has an annual turnover of about 25 billion euro and creates over 100,000 jobs directly.*