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ISC 2020 - REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN.

The European Timber Trade Federation (ETTF) and the European Organisation of the Sawmill Industry (EOS) have the pleasure to announce the opening of the registration for the virtual edition of the International Softwood Conference 2020, which will take place on 8 October 2020 from 12.00 to 16.20 CET.

The ISC is a world leading conference for producers and traders of softwood products; typically, more than 180 experts from four continents join the annual meeting. This year, due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the ISC will be for the first time ever hosted as an online-only conference.

The 2020 ISC discussion will be focused on macro-economic impacts and change in timber consumption & production caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, in Europe as well as in key timber markets such as China, USA, Japan and the MENA Region, just to mention a few. The event is timely as the pandemic has triggered a global economic slowdown with consequences also for the timber market. High level speakers will focus on the repercussions of the COVID-19 outbreak on the timber market and the wider economy, as well as provide forecasts on how a post-pandemic market will look like.

The conference will be ended with a presentation on the bark beetle outbreaks in British Columbia and in Central Europe. Climate change is allowing some native pests to breed more frequently, and the threat posed by insects and pathogens appears to be growing in forests. According to the most recent data, pests are responsible for damaging 35 million hectares of forest around the world every year.

Presentations will be pre-recorded while the debate will be live. Overall, the quality and feel of the event will be just as professional as previous ISCs – just online.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION:

[Online Registration](#) is now open for the 2020 online ISC. Reserve your spot today!

After your registration is received and processed, you will receive an email indicating that you successfully registered. All details related to the online ISC 2020 will also be provided.

In the unfortunate case that after having submitted your registration you should not be able to attend the online ISC 2020, please access your profile and make changes to your participation with both the name of the person being replaced and the new person's name and contact information, including

email address; or contact us at irwin@gdholz.de. If, for technical reasons, you won't be able to attend the ISC conference the organisers will send you a record of the event.

Conference information is available [HERE](#).

For any additional questions and in case you are a representative of press and media wanting to attend, please contact: irwin@gdholz.de

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