

**RIPMA – IRG Regional Meeting**  
**5-8 December, Mar del Plata, Argentina**

Dear colleagues

RIPMA and the International Research Group on Wood Protection (IRG) are pleased to announce the call for submission of abstracts for the Third RIPMA/IRG Congress of the Iberoamerican Network of Wood Protection (RIPMA) which will take place in Mar del Plata, Argentina on 5-8 December. The meeting will be a unique opportunity to exchange knowledge and experience in the field of wood protection.

**Among the topics that will be considered are the following:**

- Forest Resources in the Americas
- International trade in treated wood
- Trouble-shooting in wood treatment
- Termites and Insects
- Mycological aspects of wood deterioration and its prevention
- Methodologies for assessing decay
- Treatments and Processes
- Chemical aspects of wood preservation
- Environmental impacts
- Degradation and protection of surfaces
- Protection of wood-plastic composites
- Alternative products for wood protection

Authors will be invited to submit full papers (in Spanish or English) for distribution to attendees in the meeting CD and inclusion in the IRG database. Authors are encouraged to go to [www.ripma.org](http://www.ripma.org) for more information or to [ripma2010@gmail.com](mailto:ripma2010@gmail.com) for questions about the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you in Argentina in December

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