

THE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH GROUP ON WOOD PROTECTION

**Guidelines for the preparation of a Communication Paper/Poster
for an IRG Scientific Conference**

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Please note that papers received after the deadline 1 March 2023 will be posted on the website (Compendium) but the opportunity to make an oral presentation will be at the discretion of the Scientific Programme Committee chair. These papers may be presented as posters at the meeting. Deadline for submitting extended abstract or short papers for poster presentations is 1 April 2023.

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Dear author of the IRG paper!

Allocation of the papers to different sections is one of the most challenging tasks for the Scientific Programme Committee (SPC). In order to prepare good programme for the upcoming conference, we would like to ask you for assistance. Please tick, the most appropriate Working Party, where your paper fits most. SPC will try to consider your opinion.

Section 1. Biology	WP 1.1. Soft rot, bacteria, bluestain and moulds	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 1.2. Basidiomycetes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 1.3. Insect biology and testing	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 1.4. Natural durability	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 1.5. Marine	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 1.6. Cultural Artefact Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Section 2. Test Methodology and Assessment	WP 2.1. Prediction of service life	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	WP 2.3. Chemical/physical analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 2.4. International Standardisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Section 3. Wood Protecting Chemicals	WP 3.1. Inorganic preservatives	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	WP 3.3. Performance - lab & field tests	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 3.4. Fire retardants	<input type="checkbox"/>
Section 4. Processes and Properties	WP 4.1. Chemical wood modification	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	WP 4.3. Treating processes & treatability of timber	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 4.4. Coatings, hydrophobic treatments and surface aspects	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 4.5. Thermal wood modification	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WP 4.6. Fire protection	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	WP 5.2. Sustainability	<input type="checkbox"/>

This paper is intended for the special session on:

- ☐ Tropical woods: Natural and conferred durability
- ☐ Termites: Biology and Management
- ☐ Novel strategies for wood protection – progress and challenges

This document is intended for:

- ☐ Full oral presentation (15 min.+ Question time)
- ☐ Short oral (3 min., 1-3 slides) + poster presentation (Short oral presentation will be given in the poster session)

This paper will most probably be presented by:(name)
(email address)

This paper will be listed as part of the Proceedings according to Thomson-Reuters index system.

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OVERVIEW OF PREPARING A COMMUNICATION PAPER

In comparison to a full scientific paper, a communication paper can be less formal and not necessarily strictly follow the format of a scientific paper or scientific poster. A communication paper can be a few paragraphs of narratives of a subject matter including, but not limited to, literature reviews, new ideas/thoughts, observations, communications between different parties, cooperation, results, discussions, processes. However, a communication shall follow the following guideline:

- The relevance of a communication paper for IRG meetings must be germane to wood protection research or wood protection industry.
- It is strongly recommended that a communication paper focus more on scientific research findings in nature, and less on marketing or advertising.
- A communication paper can be a re-analysis or review of previously published articles in the areas of wood protection.
- A communication paper can be of new ideas, new research interests, new processes, new testing standards, new hypotheses, etc.
- A communication paper can be a review of regulations, building codes, international cooperation, etc.
- The title page must be included and should include the title of paper, authors and professional affiliations.
- The paper must include an abstract of 150-200 words.
- The paper must also include a list of keywords (3-7) of the subjects covered by the paper.