

# WOOD C&S

## 2020

### 9<sup>th</sup> Wood Coatings and Substrates Conference Virtual Conference

#### When and Where:

Thursday & Friday, September 24 & 25, 2020  
World Wide Web  
Virtual Conference

#### Featuring:

Industry and Research experts discussing new changes in wood substrates  
Expert Speakers on coatings science, raw materials, and technology for wood coatings

#### Sponsored by:

University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
Piedmont Section of the Southern Society for Coatings Technology  
Wood Coatings Research Group

#### Keynote Speakers:

**Dr. Chris Hunt**  
Research Chemist  
Forest Products Laboratory (FPL)  
Madison, WI

**Professor Urs Buehlmann, Ph.D.**  
Virginia Tech  
Department of Sustainable Biomaterials

#### Who should attend Wood C&S?

- Chemists and Formulators dedicated to improving wood coating performance and ease of manufacture.
- Raw material and equipment suppliers requiring competency in the wood and wood coatings discipline.
- Students interested in pursuing a career in the coatings, material sciences, and chemical sciences disciplines.
- Educators interested in the wood coatings market and related material science technologies.
- End users who need coatings to add value to their products.

#### Complete **WOOD C&S** Conference Information:

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Abstracts are currently being taken. Please submit abstracts by July 31, 2020 to [r.obie@woodcoatingsresearchgroup.com](mailto:r.obie@woodcoatingsresearchgroup.com)

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### The Influence of Wood Properties on coatings Performance

Dr. Chris Hunt  
Forest Products Laboratory (FPL)  
Madison, WI

**Dr. Chris Hunt** is excited to share his love of practical wood science with the paint community. He is a research chemist at the Forest Products Laboratory (FPL) in Madison, WI, the federal lab for making better use of wood. He is author of the chapter “Finishing Wood” in the upcoming 2020 edition of the Wood Handbook. His research focuses on how water and chemicals inside wood cell walls impact the properties and performance of wood products. Currently his work is focused on two sided paint (adhesives) and how modifying the chemistry of wood imparts decay resistance. All of his 50+ publications can be downloaded for free at the FPL website, [www.fpl.fs.fed.us/people/bios/employee\\_level\\_bio.php?alias=cghunt](http://www.fpl.fs.fed.us/people/bios/employee_level_bio.php?alias=cghunt)



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### The Status of the U.S. Forest Products Industry

Dr. Urs Buehlmann  
Professor  
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**Dr. Urs Buehlmann** works in the area of manufacturing systems engineering and business competitiveness. He practices and promotes Lean as a way to improve business results and assists industry in Virginia and beyond. He holds a PhD and a MBA from Virginia Tech, an industrial engineering degree from Bern University of Applied Science in Switzerland and a cabinet making degree from the professional school in Thun, Switzerland.