

Joint Press Release

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Enhanced cooperation between CEI-Bois and EOS will strengthen the voice of the European Wood Working Industries

CEI-Bois and EOS are engaged in advocating for the interests of the European Wood Industries as well as promoting the use of wood towards the European Union institutions. CEI-Bois is the umbrella advocacy organization for the European Wood Working Industry, while EOS specifically represents the sawmill industry.

Already today, the two organisations have a close relationship. They share resources and have a wide cooperation both in the field of technical specifications and common advocacy actions towards the European Union institutions.

CEI-Bois and EOS have, in their respective General Assemblies, decided to deepen this cooperation further, with the aim to:

- Creating the indispensable bridge linking the Wood Industry value chain with the European policy makers;
- Advocating for the use of legally harvested wood as strategic solution to climate change challenges;
- Creating favourable legislatives and policy conditions for enhancing the use of wood in construction and wood consumption within and outside the EU borders.

CEI-Bois and EOS have decided to operate through a Joint Secretary General for the two organisations. Furthermore, a new position as Director of Public Affairs is created that will entirely focus upon pro-active advocacy.

Silvia Melegari is from Sept 14 appointed Joint Secretary General for CEI-Bois and EOS.

The process to recruit the Director of Public Affairs for CEI-Bois and EOS jointly is ongoing.

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