

# Conference Agenda

Michigan Forest Bioeconomy  
Conference February 1-2, 2017  
Grand Rapids, MI

## Tuesday January 31st, 2017 (Pre-conference activities)

4:00pm - 6:00pm	Conference Registration and set up for Sponsor tables/exhibits (East lobby)
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Early Arrivals Ice Breaker - Hors d'oeuvres & Cash bar (East lobby)

## Wednesday February 1st, 2017

7:45 - 8:15am	<b>Conference Registration</b>	
8:30 - 9:30am	<u>Opening Ceremonies - Room 215</u>	
	Fred Antczak, Dean, GVSU	<b>Welcome to GVSU</b>
	Bill O'Neill, State Forester, MDNR	<b>Welcome &amp; Timber Summit Goals</b>
	Senator Debbie Stabenow (invited)	<b>Welcome &amp; Timber Innovation Act</b>
	Terry Sharik, Dean, MTU	<b>The MIFBI Story</b>
	David DeYoe, MIFBI Board Chair	<b>Conference Objectives</b>
9:30 - 10:20am	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	
	<b>Trevor Stuthridge</b> FPInnovations	Accelerating Canada's Bio-economy Through a Forest Sector Innovation Ecosystem
10:20 - 10:50am	<i>Refreshment Break</i>	
10:50 - 11:30am	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	
	<b>Jim Bowyer</b> Dovetail Partners Inc.	Economic Implications of a Bioeconomy
	<b>Sponsor Exhibits Open</b>	
	General Session Talks - Room 215	
11:30 - 12:00	<b>Mark Rudnicki</b> MIFBI & MTU	A Forest Bioeconomy is Taking Root in Michigan
11:45 - 1:30pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
1:30 - 2:00pm	<b>Archie Landreman</b> WoodWorks	Introduction to Mass Timber Buildings
2:00 - 2:30pm	<b>Sandy Marshall</b> Bioindustrial Innovation Canada	Woody Biomass: A Driver for the Industrial Bioeconomy
2:30 - 3:00pm	<b>Jim Bowyer</b> Dovetail Partners Inc.	Potential for Greater Recovery and Recycling of Wood
3:00 - 3:30pm	<i>Refreshment Break &amp; Breakout into 3 Concurrent Session Rooms</i>	

Reminder: You may ask anyone with a blue lanyard for information about breakout locations

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## Wednesday February 1st, 2017 (continued)

Breakout Session Talks			
	<b>WOOD INNOVATION</b> Room 215-AB	<b>MASS TIMBER BUILDINGS</b> Room 201	<b>WOOD RECYCLING</b> Room 215-GH
	Current State of the Sector in Michigan (theme)		
3:30 - 3:50pm	<b>Ray Miller, MSU</b> Expanding the opportunities for sustainably capturing the economic, social, and environmental potential of Michigan's vast forest resources	<b>Brian Brashaw, USDA Forest Service</b> Resource and Supply Chain Considerations for Mass Timber	<b>Kerrin O'Brien, MRC</b> Moving Waste Wood up the Waste Hierarchy
3:50 - 4:10pm	<b>Jake Elston, Arauco</b> Arauco – Our Journey to Michigan and our Mission	<b>Bob Ross, USDA Forest Service</b> Mass Timber Building Research Needs	<b>Jessica Simons, Verdant Stewardship</b> Urban Wood Use in Michigan and Beyond
4:10 - 4:30pm	<b>David Neumann, MDNR</b> Composition of Michigan's Forest Products Industry & DNR Role in Innovation	<b>George Berghorn, MSU</b> Current Status and Future Directions for Wood in Green Certified Buildings	<b>Jeremy Haines, Reclaim Detroit</b> Deconstructing Blight: Our City's Hidden Forest
5:00 - 6:30pm	Social hour and networking - cash bar (East lobby)		
6:00 - 8:00pm	Dinner is on your own in Grand Rapids. Many incredible places to eat within 10-15 minute walk!		

## Thursday February 2nd, 2017

Challenges to Realizing Michigan's Potential (theme)			
8:00 - 8:20am	<b>Faye Johnson, OMNR</b> The contribution of biomass to the bioeconomy: a northern opportunity	<b>Jim Smith, AWC</b> Building Code Challenges of Taller Mass Timber Buildings	<b>George Berghorn, MSU</b> Deconstruction of Abandoned Buildings: A Critical Part of the Urban Wood Basket
8:20 - 8:40am	<b>Donna LaCourt, MDARD</b> Wood Innovation, Forest Bioeconomy, & Economic Development: A Michigan Centric Perspective	<b>Keith Lambert, LARA</b> Mass Timber & Building Regulations	<b>Stephen Carlson, WMSRDC</b> Deconstruction Economic Cluster Feasibility Analysis for Muskegon County
	Existing or Near Term Options (theme)		
8:40 - 9:00am	<b>David Shonnard, MTU</b> Environmental Life Cycle Assessment: An Important Tool to Help Guide Sustainable Economic Growth	<b>Brian Craig, Kendall/FSU</b> Design Opportunities - Exploring Wood for Live-Work Structures	<b>Adam Pringle, MTU</b> Wood Furniture Waste-Based 3-D Printing Filament
9:00 - 9:20am	<b>Tom Noland, OMNR</b> TBA	<b>Ben Brungraber, Fire Tower</b> An Initially Unconvinced Engineer Finds His Way to CLTs	<b>Jim Preston, Rhetech</b> Overview & RheVision Introduction
	The Michigan Forest Bioeconomy in 2030 (theme)		
9:20 - 9:40am	<b>Christopher Saffron, MSU</b> A Hybrid Pyrolytic-Electrochemical Approach for Creating Fuels from Forest Biomass	<b>Archie Landreman, WoodWorks</b> Mass Timber-A Bright Future	<b>Darwin Baas, Kent County</b> Keeping Molecules in Play: Capturing Value from Wood Waste
9:40 - 10:00am	<b>Alper Kiziltas, Ford Motor</b> Upgrading the Automotive Industry for a Sustainable World	<b>Geoffery Thün, UofM</b> Regional Wood Futures: Why innovation matters and where are the frontiers?	<b>Norman Christopher, GVSU</b> Michigan Wood Waste- A Circular Economy Opportunity!
10:00 - 10:30am	Refreshment Break		
	Discussion in Breakout Rooms		
10:30 - 11:30am	<b>Facilitator: David DeYoe</b> Attendee Discussion of next steps	<b>Facilitator: Mark Rudnicki</b> Attendee Discussion of next steps	<b>Facilitator: Rich Kobe</b> Attendee Discussion of next steps
11:30 - 12:00pm	Reconvene General Session in Room 215 for Facilitator Reports & Wrap up		