

Press Release

Lesdrevmash 2014

15th International Exhibition for Machinery, Equipment and Tools for the Woodworking, Furniture, Timber and Pulp-and-Paper Industries

The 15th International Exhibition for Machinery, Equipment and Tools for the Woodworking, Furniture, Timber and Pulp-and-Paper Industries will run in Pavilions No.2, 3, 8 and open-air sites of Expocentre Fairgrounds from 20 to 23 October 2014.

The Lesdrevmash Exhibition has been held since 1973. This year the main professional event for the timber and woodworking industry celebrates 40 years since its first edition.

The event is organized by Expocentre ZAO and co-organized by the Russian Union of Timber Industrialists and Exporters. The official partner is Centresexpo OAO. The exhibition is officially supported by the Ministry of Industry and Science of the Russian Federation, and EUMABOIS – European Federation of Woodworking Machinery Manufacturers. The auspices are provided by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, and the Moscow City Government.

Lesdrevmash carries logos of UFI – the Global Association of the Exhibition Industry, and RUEF – the Russian Union of Exhibitions and Fairs for its considerable contribution to the woodworking industry development and a high level of event management.

According to the Russian National Exhibition Rating 2012–2013, Lesdrevmash is Russia's best timber and woodworking exhibition in nominations International Recognition, Professional Interest, Market Coverage and Exhibition Space.

In 2014 Lesdrevmash welcomes 500 companies from 26 countries: *Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, China, the Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Denmark, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Turkey, Ukraine, and the USA.* The total exhibition space is 40,000 sq m.

China, the Czech Republic, Italy, Finland, France, Germany, Russia, Spain and Sweden have national showcases.

The coming Lesdrevmash will have the **first National Exposition of Sweden** organized by Business Sweden, the Swedish Trade and Invest Council jointly with the Embassy of Sweden in the Russian Federation. Leading Swedish manufacturers of woodworking and forestry equipment will demonstrate their latest developments.

Leaders of the industry will show their new equipment. They include Avangard, Bakaut, John Deere, Intervesp, Kami, Komatsu, Ledinek, MDM Techo, Palfinger, Tigroup, Faeton, Uta, Biesse, Cefla, Dieffenbacher, Felder, Griggio, Homag, Houfek, Ewd, Ima, Koimpex, Pallmann, Polytechnik, Ponsse, Schelling, SCM Group, Siempelkamp, Ustunkarli, Valon Kone, Weinig, Wintersteiger, and others.

Dozens of new companies also take part in Lesdrevmash 2014. Some of them are Adelman, Agro Forst & Energietechnik GmbH, Berndorf Band GmbH, Crushmaster, China Foma Group, DimarI Group, Mion & Mosole, PiiMegaOy, Polympex, UAB Techno Wood, Votteler Lackfabrik GmbH & Co. KG, Zerma, Jaekering, Akmath-Holding, Alliance Forest, Vector Group, MSD Group, DVS, Importtekhstab, Cominvest-AKMT, Rusconbelt, Casting and Mechanical Plant ZAO, Raduga, Salma, Maximum TPO, Ijora PK, EcoRus, etc.

Every year more and more international and Russian companies come to participate in Lesdrevmash. This year over new 40 companies join the exhibition.

Exhibition visitors will see technical means for transportation and storage, machinery for special treatment and production of special purpose products. Exhibits include woodworking tools, tooling, technical means for recycle of wood waste, power generation from wood fuel, means for energy saving, air-conditioning, environment protection, occupational safety, fire prevention, software, etc.

The traditional **Russian Regions: Development Priorities of the Timber Industry** section will present regional programmes of the timber industry development and investment projects from 30 regions of Russia.

As usual, the key event of Lesdrevmash programme is the Forest and Man International Forum, which is one of the most important and large-scale events of the Russian timber and woodworking industry.

Topics of business related events cover success and problems of the timber industry, as well as its latest achievements and developments.

The exhibition includes

- International Conference on Desertification and Forestry 2014
- International Conference on Bioenergy: Pellets, Briquettes, Wood Chips, Biomass CHP and Boilers. Technologies and Market
- Conference on Production of Wood Boards: Re-Equipping Old Plants, Creating New Plants
- Seminar on Optimization of Production and Management of Sawmills
- Round Tables on the Russian Raw Wood Market and on the Trends in Global Markets of Forestry Products.

October 21 in the Information Centre of the exhibition will be the **Day of National Expositions.**

This day will be devoted to presentations of **Italy** and **Finland**, the countries which are well known for their leading manufacturers of woodworking machinery and equipment. Visitors will see the advanced experience in development of innovative technologies and equipment, and examples of government support of machine-building and timber companies of these countries. Representatives of machine-building companies of Italy and Finland will talk about today's trends in woodworking machinery. Embassy employees, trade representatives and heads of various companies will take part in discussions.

On **October 22** Lesdrevmash will feature BusinessSweden. The Swedish Trade and Invest Council jointly with the Embassy of Sweden in the Russian Federation organize the **Day of Sweden: Innovations and Technologies in the Swedish Timber Industry.**

The Day will include the following events: workshops "Swedish Experience in Development of Sawmill and Woodworking Industry on the Basis of Cooperation and Consensus", "Main Trends of the Timber Industry", "Potential of Swedish Technologies on the Russian Market",

presentations of Roséns, Almb, Firefly, Söderhamn & Eriksson, Bruzaholm, InnovativVision, LantmännenAgrol, SawmillConcept, Forestservice, and Fors MW.

The event is moderated by Tomas Ivarsson, Chairman of Sawtec – Swedish Sawmill Industry Association.

The exhibition will also include the award ceremony of the Russian Timber Industry Lesprom Awards.