

COST E53 – Quality control for wood and wood products
Working Group 3 - “Strength, stiffness and appearance grading”
Meeting 15.10.2007 in Warsaw, Poland
Minutes of the Meeting

Chairman: Charlotte Bengtsson, minutes by Peter Stapel

Time: 17:00 - 18:00 hrs

Topics of the meeting:

1) Introduction

Charlotte Bengtsson opened the meeting and all present WG-members presented themselves.

2) Meeting secretary

Peter Stapel accepted to make short minutes of this meeting.

3) Last meeting in Hamburg

List of publications: Markus Sandomeer keeps a list of publications. Up to now only eight people have sent their lists of publications. Every member should send a list of their publications dealing with grading (English & native language). Every member should update the list once a year and transmit it. The list will be published on the COST E53 internet page.

4) Planning of next workshop in Oslo may 2008

For the next meeting in Oslo in May the working group decided to focus on the following topics:

- Grading techniques for small or medium sized companies (presentation Markus Sandomeer)
- Safety problems when establishing values – how to derive settings - reliability of the 5%-Fractile (Jochen Köhler)
- How to define growth areas in a more logical way (survey Peter Stapel)

Papers on any of these topics should be sent to Charlotte Bengtsson or Peter Stapel, so that an agenda for the next meeting can be prepared

Presentation or a short review of the topics including questions to be solved at a meeting should be circulated before the meeting, so that the point can be discussed.

5) Other business

Robert Kliger briefly informed about the current status of the action. As we are in the middle of the action we should focus on defining parameters for products. Main problem: How to get information without spending money. Charlotte Bengtsson offered to deliver input.

Who does what? As many members of the working group do not know what other people are dealing with, a list of attendants on their main fields of work will be prepared on the homepage. No decision was taken

6) Members attending the meeting:

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