

STRATEGIC PLAN of WoodEMA i.a.

Update for period 2022-2024

The International Association for Economics and Management in Wood Processing and Furniture Manufacturing WoodEMA, i.a., is an international, non-political, non-profit and open Association.

The Association's goal is to promote science and results of scientific and professional work of its members, mutual scientific co-operation, as well as to support science and professional development in the Association's fields of work.

To achieve these goals the Association objectives are defined:

- 1. To increase the number of scientific paper published in SCI Journals based on co-operation of the Association's members – one SCI Journal paper per year which will include representation of members from a minimum of 4 countries.**

Action plan:

1. Each member who has an idea for scientific research communicates the idea to WoodEMA members
2. Making decision about participation in proposed research (max. 10 days from the day the research idea was sent to all WoodEMA members)
3. Development of research team
4. Preparing a SCI Journal paper
5. Submitting paper to SCI Journal

- 2. To apply for international research and professional funds (e.g. EU funds; country funds) and different international funding organizations (e.g. COST Action proposals; different EU projects – HORIZON, etc.)**

Action plan:

1. WoodEMA member (or group of members) communicates a project idea to WoodEMA members (the project idea should have the following information: aim/goal of the research; time frame; budget frame and potential fund sources. If WoodEMA i.a. acts in the project proposal and if is involved in the project proposal as a legal entity and a research (or co-research) organization, information about the project idea is communicated to all members.
2. Making decision about participation in proposed research project (max. 20 days from the day the research idea was sent to all WoodEMA members)
3. Defining the team for project proposal
4. Applying proposal for a grant funding

3. To prepare a brochure (one per country) of the best papers (results) in the last 3-5 years in our native languages (and in English) and offer it to wood industry companies.

Action plan:

1. The WoodEMA Secretary sends call to prepare a brochure by the end of June 2022.
2. The WoodEMA Executive board will support establishing of young researcher teams or young researcher applicants to prepare a templates and processing steps for the templates of the brochure (by the end of November 2022). Young researcher team will be supported from the WoodEMA budget at least 1 000 EUR per team or at least 200 EUR per person.
3. The WoodEMA Executive board will evaluate the template proposals.
4. The WoodEMA Secretary send an email to all WoodEMA members from the same country (e.g. one email to all the members from Slovenia, another one to the all members from Poland, etc.)
5. The members from the same country (in the following text WoodEMA country members – WoodEMA CM) have 10 days to decide to participate in the activity)
6. WoodEMA CM decide about the team leader
7. The selected team leader (one per country) informs the Executive board and the WoodEMA Secretary about WoodEMA CM decision regarding the country team leader
8. The country team leader begins the process of preparing the country brochure according to a template and processing steps

4. To improve the visibility of WoodEMA by searching and recruiting new potential members who are internationally known in their fields. The fields would align with WoodEMA topics of focus.

Action plan:

1. When preparing article and project topics strive to involve experts, who are not WoodEMA members. Present WoodEMA i.a. and strive for the membership of these experts in WoodEMA through this cooperation.
2. Other recruiting paths for new WoodEMA members are also welcome.

- 5. Update the list of the best publications in the WOS and SCOPUS databases and other results of individual WOODEMA members with the possibility of citation of this articles to other members of the organization with the goal of increasing the H index of members.**

Action plan:

1. The WoodEMA executive board updates the template of the best publications and results of WoodEMA with the division of quartiles according to WOS and AIS for individual articles. Attention will be also devoted to the ongoing projects, where WoodEMA members from at least 4 countries will be involved.
2. The WoodEMA Secretary sends the template for presenting bibliographic and non-bibliographic results to all the WoodEMA members.
3. The WoodEMA Secretary sends an email to all WoodEMA members to make an individual list of the best papers (maximum 10 papers per person) (by the end of September 2022)
4. The WoodEMA Secretary secures the update of WoodEMA database (by the end of December 2022)

- 6. The possibility of providing partial financial support for the solution of the scientific and research tasks of the young members of the organization (up to 30-35 years)**

Action plan:

1. Continuing with support of the "Roy Damary fund for young researchers" according to the established rules.
