

A close-up photograph showing the layered structure of a wood-based material. A white, fibrous paper-like layer is partially peeled back, revealing the underlying light-colored wood veneer. Below this, several thin, parallel layers of wood are visible, stacked on top of each other. The background is a blurred blue-grey color.

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Opening of the registration

24th – 25th of November 2026

in Linz at the Johannes Kepler University (Mensa Uni Center)

Route map: [Uni-Center \(Mensa\) | JKU Linz](#)

24th of November – Symposium

25th of November – Workshops

The event will be held in collaboration with
Technikum Laubholz GmbH (Germany) and **EMPA** (Switzerland).

We are happy to welcome you to our Symposium, which will be held in
addition to our 25th Anniversary.

Registration Link or QR Code:

[Link for registration - Symposium 24th – 25th November, 2026](#)



Programme of the Symposium

Day 1: 24th of November

Time	Speaker	Key Words
09:30 – 10:00		WELCOME/ Registration
10:00 – 10:10	Moderation	
10:10 – 10:45	Isabel Sonnleithner / Andreas Amsüss (Fundermax)	Stepwise implementation of biobased impregnation resins
10:45 – 11:10	Christian Hansmann / Erik van Herwijnen (Wood K plus)	From ideas to innovation: Selected highlights in Wood Materials Technologies
11:10 - 11:30	Raphaela Süß (Wood K plus)	Rethinking Lignin in the Biorefinery – From Complex Feedstock to Functional Building Blocks
11:30 – 11:50	Elisabeth Schwaiger (Mondi Group)	tbd
11:50 - 12:15	Arun Mahendran / Johannes Huber (Wood K plus)	Smart Sustainable Sensing: Bridging Functional Materials and Data-Driven Analytics
12:15 – 13:15		LUNCH / Networking
13:15 – 13:20	Moderation	
13:20 - 13:40	Michael Egermeier (Wood K plus)	Intensifying Biomass Utilization - Biotechnology as an Enabler of Next-Generation Biorefineries
13:40 - 14:05	Tobias Wolfinger (TLH)	From Lab to Fab – Overcoming scale-up challenges in innovative technologies
14:05 - 14:25	Franziska Hesser (Wood K plus)	Sustainability assessment during innovation processes
14:25 - 14:50	Tim Börner / Claudia Som (EMPA)	SSbD of Biobased materials and navigation of the regulatory landscape
14:50 - 15:00	Moderation / Summary	
15:00 - 16:00		NETWORKING / Registration 25 th anniversary

Day 2: 25th of November

On this day **three workshops** (09:00 – 13:00 h) will be held on different topics and **guided tours**:

Workshop 1: Biotechnology with focus on transfer from lab to pilot/demo scale

Workshop 2: Circular Economy with focus on SSbD and Regulations

Workshop 3: Biobased building materials and digital applications in construction

The workshops will be done in parallel without a change of the attendees, but with a common final wrap-up.

Programme and aim of these workshops:

- Interactive exchange based on input from the registration (subtopics, challenges, pain points, etc.)
- Spotlight on positive examples (e.g. running EU-projects, studies from the hosts, etc.)
- Overview of 2027 EU-Calls related to the overall topic of the workshop

You have to choose your favourite workshop at the registration.

See you!

Team – Wood K plus

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Co-hosts TLH and EMPA