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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# **The All-New Knowledge Base For Forest Products Professionals**

***Valuable New Benefit for Forest Products Society Members Provides Tools and Resources to Gain Knowledge and Connections in Today's Industry***

ATLANTA – December 10, 2013 – The Forest Products Society (FPS), the global network for forest products professionals, has launched an all-new member benefit - the FPS Knowledge Base. This new interactive resource highlights emerging thinking around today's most important issues in the forest products industry by providing access to more than 10,000 articles from the Society's journals, as well as hundreds of conference proceedings, manuals, and related books and publications.

"The Knowledge Base is an exciting new benefit for our members, designed specifically with their professional needs in mind," said FPS President Timothy M. Young. "It enables our members to access the latest industry research, innovative ideas, and insights in an easy to navigate online format."

The Knowledge Base features full text searchable articles from the Society's flagship *Forest Products Journal* along with hundreds of additional resources from other journals, books, publications and proceedings from industry-specific conferences.

"Our interconnected, highly competitive world accelerates the need for accurate and detailed technical information," added FPS Member Relations Manager Craig McKinney. "As we continue to develop new approaches to providing increased value to our members and the industry, this new powerful tool further builds on our goal to promote scientific interaction, communications, research and development exchange, and student advancement."

The Knowledge Base is just one of the valuable benefits of Society's membership, which also offers complimentary online subscriptions to all four FPS technical journals and access to networking opportunities through its cornerstone annual International Convention. Bergmann confirmed that, "While we obviously prefer users of the Knowledge Base to be members of FPS, access to the new tool is available to non-members through a pay-per-view option."

Explore the Knowledge Base and learn more about FPS membership at [www.forestprod.org](http://www.forestprod.org).

### **ABOUT**

Founded in 1947, the vision of the Forest Products Society is to be the international leader for advancing the sustainable use of renewable cellulosic resources through science and technology. The international not-for-profit technical association convenes technical conferences, produces several journals including the peer reviewed *Forest Products Journal* and publishes books. Society members represent a broad range of professional interests including private and public research and development, industrial management and production, marketing, education, government, engineering and consulting. [www.forestprod.org](http://www.forestprod.org)

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