

**NWBC 2012**  
*October 23-25, 2012*

The Nordic Wood Biorefinery Conference (NWBC) is the leading meeting place for wood biorefinery professionals and the next event will be held in Helsinki in October, 2012. The conference is jointly organised by VTT and Innventia.

The conference programme will consist of keynote lectures, invited and submitted papers, as well as poster presentations. In line with the previous NWBC conferences, the presentations will give a comprehensive overview of the recent progress in wood biorefining research and commercialisation.

The programme will cover the following main topics:

- Industrial wood biorefining projects, including pulp mill modifications
- Emerging new wood biorefineries and biorefinery products
- Key research programmes and projects
- Socio-economic aspects of wood biorefining
- Policy issues relevant to biorefining
- Market aspects

Important dates and deadlines:

Call for papers: December 1, 2011

Deadline for abstract submission: March 31, 2012 (papers) and May 15, 2012 (posters)

Notification of acceptance: May 15, 2012 (papers) and June 15, 2012 (posters)

Deadline for proceedings text: September 1, 2012

On-line registration opens: April 1, 2012.



## Welcome to the AFORE Workshop in Bucharest

EU-project AFORE will organize an open workshop on October 6th in Bucharest. AFORE, coordinated by VTT, Finland, aims at developing novel, sustainable and flexible separation, fractionation and up-grading methods to wood-based polymers and chemicals for added-value applications.

**“New opportunities for wood-based green polymers and composites”** workshop, free of charge, will be held at Ramada Plaza Hotel Bucuresti, in October 6, 2011, 13.00-16.00.

### Workshop Program:

- Overview of the AFORE EU-project  
Anna Suurnäkki, VTT, Coordinator
- Conference session
- Coffee break
- Poster session, coffee & snack

The workshop is open to all representatives from companies, institutions and research organizations interested in novel opportunities of wood based chemicals and materials. It is free of charge but registration is required by September 22nd, 2011 by e-mail to: [afore.workshop@icmpp.ro](mailto:afore.workshop@icmpp.ro)

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