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FRAME AUSTRALIA 2010 CONFERENCE

The construction and operation of buildings is one of the single biggest contributors of emissions influencing global climate change according to an OECD report, which is currently leading to governments worldwide introducing regulations to reduce carbon emissions by buildings.

The need to reduce energy use and emissions in all new dwellings will have major impact on the construction of housing in the next decade, which is a major topic for Frame Australia 2010 Conference to be held at the Sofitel Melbourne on Collins on June 21-22.

Conference Director Kevin Ezard announced that the conference theme is to be *Housing Construction & Sustainability* as potentially the most important factor in using wood products in the building of new houses, which is already starting to have influence on the timber and pre-fabrication industries.

“Topics will cover international and local design developments for energy efficiency and sustainability, environmental performance of all building materials, along with the Chain of Custody management of the timber supply chain required from forests through to the residential builder,” Kevin explained.

“The program includes new and updated Australian Standards and building regulations that will have influence on structural loadings and designs, and regulations introduced for pre-fabricated timber products. Recent bushfire codes applying to buildings will also be presented with requirements for both the builder and suppliers of timber products,” he said.

In-depth sessions will cover topics relating to design and manufacture of wall frames and roof trusses, including new global design software developments and trends to offshore estimating services.

“Plant management sessions will cover Work Health and Safety issues both in the plant and on-site, management of productivity improvements, and the analysis of production equipment performance,” Kevin added.

He said that Frame Australia has been the major national event for the structural timber and pre-fabrication industries for the past 12 years, and provides a unique opportunity for timber suppliers, truss fabricators, building designers, residential builders and developers to attend from Australia, New Zealand and the Asian-Pacific region.

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