

## PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT:

### CEI-Bois' Timber Beacon shortlisted for COP26:

Architects from dRMM have designed for CEI-Bois a reusable timber beacon for the UN climate change talks COP26 to be held in Glasgow, Scotland, UK in November 2021

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'Timber Beacon' is architects dRMM's response to the collective brief of a unique global timber industry collaboration. The 25+ strong alliance of innovators in engineered mass timber and wood-based products, global forest growth and development is led by CEI-Bois, the European Confederation of Woodworking Industries and the UK Timber Trade Federation.

"As world leaders discuss our global responsibilities and collective response to climate change during COP26, our message for the future will be powerfully three dimensional: in wood there is hope," said dRMM founding director, Prof Alex de Rijke.

'Timber Beacon' has been shortlisted by the British Government to be located at the COP26 Glasgow site for the duration of the talks.

Paul Brannen, director of public affairs at CEI-Bois, said, "The global timber and global forest sectors see COP26 as the unmissable opportunity for policy makers to put into action what we already know about nature-based solutions; global forests and wood products are essential to averting catastrophic climate change, and increasing the use of timber products is an easy way to help decarbonise construction, renovation and the wider built environment. Wood both stores carbon and substitutes for carbon intensive alternatives. We are also focused on globally recognised good governance as the key to growing forests around the world."

Sponsorship is being sought to realise the full potential of this project. To find out more, contact [paul.brannen@cei-bois.org](mailto:paul.brannen@cei-bois.org) or call +44 787 856 5406

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**Notes to editor:**

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**About CEI-Bois [www.cei-bois.org](http://www.cei-bois.org)**

The European Confederation of Woodworking Industries (CEI-Bois) represents 22 European and National organisations from 16 countries and is the body backing the interests of the whole industrial European wood sector: more than 180,000 companies generating an annual turnover of 152 billion euros and employing 1 million workers in the EU.

**About UK Timber Trade Federation [www.ttf.co.uk](http://www.ttf.co.uk)**

TTF has been supporting the industry for more than 125 years. Representing wood importers, merchants, agents and manufacturers, its members account for around 85% of the £10 billion UK timber industry.

At the time of climate change challenges, in addition to supporting the interests of its members, the UK TTF is working to maintain and improve the sustainability of the wood sector at national, European and international levels.