

# InnovaWood <sup>25</sup>years General Assembly

The European networking event for  
Wood Research, Innovation and Education

5-7  
MAY  
2026

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Tulln, Austria

edition  
PROGRAM

## **REGISTER** for the General Assembly 2026

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### 3-day programme at a glance

	Monday 4 May	Tuesday 5 May 	Wednesday 6 May	Thursday 7 May
Morning		Opening statements Keynote session Networking session	Plenary session and  Executive Board election Deep networking session	Checkout  Field visit by bus to wood construction and building sites in Vienna
	Lunch and poster exhibition			
Afternoon		The future of the European wood sector world café Results and impact session	4 research stations Parallel R&I workshop sessions Closure of General Assembly	
Evening	19:00 Informal get together <a href="#">Skyline</a> restaurant, Hauptplatz 14, Tulln (own cost)	18:00 Guided tour <a href="#">Die Garten Tulln</a> 19:00 Official General Assembly dinner <a href="#">Gaumenweide inside Die Garten Tulln</a>	19:00 Barbeque at UFT Tulln	

## Venue

### [UFT - Universitäts- und Forschungszentrum Tulln](#)

(University- and Research Centre Tulln)  
Universität für Bodenkultur  
Konrad Lorenz-Str. 24, 3430 Tulln an der Donau

Information about the UFT [link](#)  
Campus plan [link](#)



## Getting from Vienna to Tulln

Tulln an der Donau (Tulln on Danube River) is easily reachable from Vienna. Regular regional trains (ÖBB) connect Vienna with Tulln (25–35 min), or 60–75 min from Vienna International Airport.

By car, the journey takes around 40–55 min.


## Book your hotel

### [Best Western Hotel Tulln](#)

 /  €129/€149/night incl. breakfast  
Reserve by e-mail to [info@hotel-tulln.at](mailto:info@hotel-tulln.at)

**BOOKING CODE: "INNOVAWOOD ASSEMBLY"**

### [Hotel Römerhof Tulln](#)

 €107/night incl. breakfast  
Reserve by e-mail to [info@Hotel-roemerhof.at](mailto:info@Hotel-roemerhof.at)

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Using the booking code does **not** work via online booking platforms e.g. booking.com

## Tulln

is the garden capital of Austria. Read more about the city and surroundings [here](#).

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## Day 1 - General Assembly

May 5, 2026  
Tuesday

At UFT - Universitäts- und Forschungszentrum Tulln

08:15 **Registration**

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09:00 **Welcome address**

[Wolfgang Gindl-Altmutter](#), Head – Institute of Wood Technology and Renewable Materials, Wood K Plus / BOKU,  
[Mike Burnard](#), President of InnovaWood, [Uwe Kies](#), Secretary General of InnovaWood

09:10 **Programme and networking concept**

[Oliver Jancke](#), InnovaWood

09:20 **Opening statement**

[Georg Rappold](#), Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, chair of WoodPoP, the European Wood Policy Platform

09:30 **Forestry and wood research in Austria. Role and impact of Wood K Plus / BOKU**

[Christian Hansmann](#), Wood K Plus, [Wolfgang Gindl-Altmutter](#), Wood K Plus / BOKU

09:50 **Speed networking session**

[Radmila Ustych](#), InnovaWood

10:20 **Networking coffee break**

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10:40 **Keynotes with integrated audience discussion**

Moderator [Mike Burnard](#), InnoRenew

**Resource efficiency** in technical terms

[Johannes Konnerth](#), BOKU

**Resource efficiency** socioeconomic and sustainability side

[Veronika Auer](#), Egger

**Resource efficiency** policy and JRC perspective

Speaker tbd, [JRC Joint Research Centre](#)

12:00 **Lunch & Poster exhibition**

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13:00 **The future of the European wood sector**

Moderator [Oliver Jancke](#), InnovaWood

- World café deep dives into the priorities relevant for society, research, industry, such as key research fields, opportunities and risks of transdisciplinarity, talents, funding strategies, etc.
- Formulation and ranking of answers to the main issues at stake, presentation of priorities

14:45 **Networking coffee break**

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15:15 **Results and impact session**

Series of 2min pitches | Parallel networking sessions on each pitch

16:00 **Open networking or leisure time**

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**18:00 Guided Tour**  
[Die Garten Tulln](#)



**19:00 Official Conference Dinner**  
[Gaumenweide inside Die Garten Tulln](#)

# Day 2 – Workshops and Deep networking

May 6, 2026  
Wednesday

At UFT - Universitäts- und Forschungszentrum Tulln

08:45 **Go-to-seat coffee**

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09:00 **General Assembly**

**Activities and news**

**Adoption of resolutions**

[Uwe Kies](#), Secretary General, InnovaWood

**New IW Executive Board members election**

[Uwe Kies](#), Secretary General, InnovaWood

10:45 **Networking coffee break**

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11:15 **Deep networking session** “The power of questions”

Moderator [Radmila Ustych](#), InnovaWood

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12:15 **Lunch & Poster exhibition**

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13:30 **Research stations at Wood K Plus & BOKU**

(4 x 15min rotation stations; plus 30 min to change stations)

**Go-to-seat coffee**

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15:00 **Workshop sessions** (60min parallel sessions)

**Bio-based glues – exchange on ongoing research**

[Erik van Herwijnen](#), Wood K Plus

**The cascade vs. reality – setting up an international training**

[Barbora Starovicova](#), BFH

**Circular Economy**

[Erik Larnøy](#), NIBIO

**EU Policies**

[Vanesa Baño](#), InnovaWood

**Wood clusters collaboration**

[Višnja Koščak](#), Holzcluster Steiermark

16:00 **Report back from the Workshop sessions**

**Closure of the General Assembly**

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16:30 **Open networking or leisure time**

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**19:00 Dinner**

Barbecue at UFT Tulln

## Day 3 – Field trip

May 7, 2026  
Thursday

! Group 2+3 field trips will be full day, but offer the possibility to hop-off at any point during visits

07:00 Hotel check out

08:30 Start from UFT Tulln in three separate groups by buses.

Group 1	Group 2 <i>Visits remain to be confirmed</i>	Group 3 <i>Visits remain to be confirmed</i>
<b>Egger Group</b>	<b>Leopoldquartier</b> <b>Seestadt Aspern: Hoho Wien</b> Lunch break in Vienna (own cost) <b>Holzforschung Austria</b>	<b>Village in Dritten</b> <b>Wohnprojekt Gleis 21</b> Lunch break in Vienna (own cost) <b>Retrofit – Facade Arenberggasse</b> <b>Holzforschung Austria</b>
12:00 <b>Final Drop-off: St. Pölten Hauptbahnhof</b> (main train station)	17:00 <b>Final drop-off: Wien Hauptbahnhof</b> (Vienna main train station)	17:00 <b>Final drop-off: Wien Hauptbahnhof</b> (Vienna main train station)

End of excursions and program

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