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New FWPA standards manager brings wealth of expertise

The new standards manager for Forest and Wood Products Australia Limited (FWPA) is the well-known timber engineer, Boris Iskra.

FWPA Managing Director, Ric Sinclair, warmly welcomed Boris to the team and noted that his technical knowledge will be an asset to the standards role and to FWPA's specifier marketing activities.

Boris has an extensive understanding of the Australian forest and wood products sector with over 24 years of direct involvement. He was previously the Technical Manager with the Timber Promotion Council (TPC – Victoria) until it ceased operation in August 2005 following which he co-founded TPC Solutions (Aust) Pty Ltd.

During his time at the TPC, Boris was responsible for a range of technical activities including representing the timber industry on a number of Standards Australia's Technical Committees including TM-002 Timber Framing and TM-006 Timber Preservation and Durability. He has also been actively involved in the drafting of technical guides for FWPA and informing designers, specifiers and regulators in relation to timber engineering and bushfire compliant solutions. He is currently a member of Standards Australia's Timber Standards Coordination Group.

He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Structural) degree and a Graduate Diploma in Building Fire Safety and Risk Engineering.

In his new role, Boris will be responsible for managing FWPA's activities in building codes and material standards taking over from Neil Evans, who left recently to join the Housing Industry Association. Boris starts on July 1st.

FWPA's standards activities are focussed on improving the transparency and efficiency of the standards development process and ensuring that wood products have strong market access through the development and adoption of appropriate standards.

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Photo of Boris Iskra is attached.

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About Forest and Wood Products Australia

FWPA aims to improve the competitiveness and sustainability of the Australian forest and wood products industry through innovation by investing in effective and relevant R&D and promotion of the industry's products, services and values. FWPA undertakes industry-level activities where a collective approach delivers more effective and valuable commercial outcomes than individual action. We deliver services that support the industry's capacity as a major exporter and mainstay of regional communities in many parts of Australia.



Boris Iskra