



Wood Use in the Design of Non-Combustible Buildings

DATE: Wednesday, October 5th, 2016 TIME: 8:30 am

LOCATION: Room-201

GUEST SPEAKERS: Ms. Ineke Van Zeeland - Canadian Wood Council

DESCRIPTION: Ineke Van Zeeland - This seminar will discuss building code requirements related to the use of wood products in buildings designed under Part 3 (Fire Protection, Occupant Safety and Accessibility) of the Ontario Building Code, particularly in those buildings or parts of buildings required to be of non-combustible construction.

BIOGRAPHY: Ms. Ineke Van Zeeland, Senior Manager

Ineke works in the Codes & Engineering division of the Canadian Wood Council. After completing a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) degree at Carleton University, Ottawa, she worked for five years with the Fire Research Laboratory of Forintek Canada Corp., the research organization of the Canadian wood products sector. There, she performed research related to the effects of fire on wood structures. She began work at the Canadian Wood Council 14 years ago after completion of a Master of Engineering degree in fire safety engineering and a short stint as a sessional lecturer at Carleton University.

For two years, she was a Senior Project Engineer at the San Antonio, Texas fire laboratory of Intertek, an international testing organization, where she was primarily responsible for fire testing and certification of a wide variety of commercial, consumer and building products.

She returned to the Canadian Wood Council in 2010, and currently participates in technical committees for fire test standards and building codes (for example, the ASTM E05 Fire Test Committee; the ULC S100A Fire Test Committee; the NFPA Fire Committee; and the Standing Committee on Fire Protection and various task groups under the National Building Code Standing Committees). She also participates in research and development projects on behalf of CWC, such as the National Research Council of Canada's Fire Performance of Houses project, the NRC Research for Wood and Wood-Hybrid Mid-Rise Buildings Project and the NRC Special Interest Group on Apparent Sound Transmission Class (ASTC) Ratings - Phase 3.