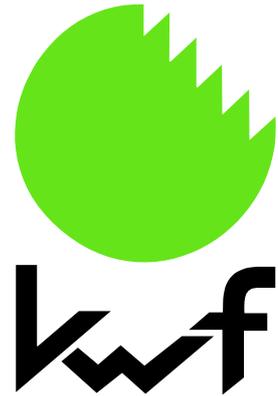


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**14<sup>th</sup> KWF-Summit 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2004  
in Gross-Umstadt / Germany (near Frankfurt) –**

**● Meeting Point for the World of Forestry**

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The **14<sup>th</sup> KWF-Summit** is Europe's greatest forest technology event of the year 2004. The Summit will be held in and around Gross-Umstadt, 40 kilometres off Frankfurt (Main). The motto "Process-orientated Forestry – new technologies, new partnerships, new thinking" takes up the central strategic question that will determine the future prospects of forestry in Central Europe within the difficult framework of global competition. The answers lie in the innovative use of modern technology, on-demand business strategies, efficient production processes and progressive management techniques.

The concept of process-orientation and the connected question of implementation will be at the heart of the **Conference's** plenary lectures by distinguished experts, working parties and discussion forums. A selection of 25 recommendable working methods, all tested in practice, will be demonstrated by independent specialists and discussed with interested visitors during the **In-field Demonstrations**. Europe's most renowned producers and distributors will present all necessary forest technology, including accessory, components, IT, and safety-at-work-equipment under realistic circumstances on the **Forest Machinery and Innovations DemoFair**. For all three branches together, the KWF expects approximately 400 exhibitors and 30.000 expert visitors from all over Europe.

The programme of the KWF-Summit will be complemented by special events like Timber-Sports, the European Forwarder Championship and the Forest Employees Day of the IG BAU (German Forest workers Trade Union) and the European Forest Entrepreneurs Day. The Conference Guide and the Fair Catalogue will serve as a documentation and an up-to-date reference book for the status quo of forest technology.

The KWF-Summit is under the patronage of the Federal Minister of Consumer Protection, Food and Agriculture, who is also responsible for forestry, Mrs. Renate Künast.

Further information regarding registration or the programme: [www.kwf-tagung.de](http://www.kwf-tagung.de) or KWF, P.O. Box, D-64820 Gross-Umstadt, Germany, Tel. +49 (0) 6078-785-0, Fax: ext.-50, E-mail: [tagung@kwf-online.de](mailto:tagung@kwf-online.de).

Gross-Umstadt is close to Frankfurt (Main) and can be accessed by car (via A3, A5; B 26, 45) or a good public transportation system.

For hotel reservations write to: [schoolman@kwf-online.de](mailto:schoolman@kwf-online.de) or call KWF ext.-34.

The KWF cordially invites all experts and the general public to this great event which will be a milestone in forest technology.

We look forward to seeing you in Gross-Umstadt in June.