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# **Wood Modification: Characterization, Modelling and Applications**

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Dear Colleagues,

We would like to invite you to disseminate your latest research results by contributing to a Special Issue of the *Coatings* journal. This Special Issue will report on progress in enhancement of native wood properties through a wide range of chemical, biological, or physical agents. Both surface and bulk modifications are within the scope, with contributions regarding diverse aspects of surface coating especially appreciated.

In particular, the topics of interest include, but are not limited to the following:

- Assessment and monitoring of service life performance
- Bioinspired modification methods
- Effect of materials preparation and modification procedure
- Environmental impact of treatments
- Machinability and finishing of modified wood
- Maintenance action and renovation scheduling
- Modelling and characterization methods
- Multifunctional treatments
- Novel formulations and serviceability
- Perception and marketing of modified wood
- Surface and bulk modification processes
- Understanding of deterioration processes



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