

## Treatments and Modifications to Improve Surface Properties of Wood and Wood-Based Materials

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Surface modification can improve some physical and mechanical properties of wood and wood-based composites, such as hydrophobization, dimensional stability, hardness, flame retardance as well as anti-fouling to pollutants.

The goal of this Special Issue is to provide new findings in surface modification of wood and lignocellulosic materials. The topics of interest include (but are not limited) to the following:

- Ecological modifiers and modification processes wood and wood-based composites surface being harmless to humans and the environment
- Surface preparation, texturing techniques and experimental processing with new methods on surface treatments and characterizations
- Wettability of wood and wood-based materials and their treated surfaces properties of modified wood-based surface, including weathering studies, resistance to abiotic and biotic factors, measurement of different deterioration parameters
- Optical techniques, spectroscopical and surface analytical methods

I am looking forward to receiving your contribution.



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