



# NZ Forest & Wood Sector Forum

The NZ Forest & Wood Sector Forum is established as a pan sector body to provide for the Sector Associations focusing on extracting greater value from wood to engage on issues of common interest or concern to the national industry and, where appropriate, to act as a spokesperson and point of contact for the industry with Government and other relevant bodies.

The Forum will improve communication throughout the supply chain to ensure continued growth and to manage issues with the interest of the whole sector in mind. The Forum’s collective advocacy should be for policies that are socially responsible, environmentally, and ecologically sustainable, internationally competitive, and profitable.

## Goals of the Forum

The Forum organisations will proactively:

- Advocate at regional, national and international levels.
- Facilitate and endorse world-class research on industry priorities.
- Give the industry timely and strategic information.
- Lead the development of practices which grow the industry as a whole.
- Organise and promote sector-wide events and other industry celebrations and networking events.

## Forum Stakeholder Organisations

Foundation organisations of the Forum are listed below. Other wood related organisations wishing to engage with the Forum will work through any of the foundation entities to ensure that all parties interested in extracting value from wood can contribute to the sector having a single voice on matters of common interest. The Forum is being limited to the foundation members as a core co-ordination group for the sector so that there is an ease of decision making which a larger group would have more difficulties with.



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## How does the Forum operate

The [Forum Accord](#) sets out how the Forum operates. The Forum does not have a permanent secretariate but rotates the Chair and administration support for each quarterly meeting. The chairs for 2024 are set out below.

Meeting date	Chair
Wednesday 6/3/24	FICA
Tuesday 4/6/24	
Monday 26/8/24	
Monday 2/12/24	

Each of the Foundation entities will proactively establish links to other relevant wood industry organisations. In turn any wood industry organisation should establish a link to a Forum foundation organisation for which it feels will best represent its interests.

Any wood industry entity can raise a matter for the Forum through one of the Forum members.

Statements from the Forum must have a consensus. If there is no consensus then any statements can only be in the name of the relevant organisations.

Costs are where they lie but the foundation organisations will from time to time each contribute to cover the costs of common agreed activities.