

AHEC announces its October plans for Vietnam

The American Hardwood Export Council (AHEC) will be conducting two technical seminars in Vietnam in October as part of its long running programme of promotion and technical support of American hardwoods. AHEC will also be exhibiting at the Vietnamwood Show in Saigon from 12-15 October and will welcome industry and trade visitors to its stand 293.

Vietnam has become the single largest global market for US hardwood lumber after China and is of major importance to US exporters. The value for 2010 amounted to US\$143 million for total of lumber, logs and veneer.

Hardwoods	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Jan - Jun 2010	Jan - Jun 2011
	\$ Value	\$ Value	\$ Value	\$ Value	\$ Value	\$ Value	\$ Value
Lumber	43,433	65,127	60,379	59,739	101,536	51,209	45,014
Logs	13,284	27,690	35,246	33,189	38,771	19,956	21,970
Veneer	2,843	3,774	2,962	3,724	2,806	1,364	1,732
Total	59,560	96,591	98,587	96,652	143,113	72,529	68,716

Source: US Census

Values in Thousands of dollars

Sixteen US hardwood companies from the Hardwood States Export Group and AHEC members will form the US Pavilion exhibiting at the Vietnamwood trade show.

With so many representatives of the US industry travelling to Vietnam AHEC has taken the opportunity to organise two half day (3 hour) seminars with Bob Sabistina as keynote speaker introducing "U.S. Hardwood Species & Lumber Grading" on 7th October in Binh Dinh and on 11th October in Ho Chi Minh City, each followed by a networking session and cocktail reception.

The events will be held:

Friday, 7 October 2011

Tuesday, 11 October 2011

Saigon Quy Nhon Hotel, Binh Dinh

Sheraton Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City