VHI VERBAND DER DEUTSCHEN HOLZWERKSTOFF-INDUSTRIE E.V

Foundation

- VHI – 1920
- Working Group WPC – 2005

Branches

- Particleboards
- Fibreboards
- Plywood
- Wood Polymer Composites (WPC)
- Internal doors

Key products

- Terrace flooring
- Facade profiles
- Window sills and others

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ASSOCIATION OF THE GERMAN WOOD-BASED PANEL INDUSTRIES

Association

The Association of the German Wood-Based Panel Industries (VHI) represents the common interests of manufacturers of particleboards and fibreboards, plywood, wood polymer composites and internal doors to the public, the government bodies and other economic sectors in Germany and abroad.

The latest professional group under the roof of the VHI is working on wood polymer composites. Leading Central European manufacturers of this new material joined the VHI in 2005 to primarily coordinate the research on wood polymer composites, to initiate research, to facilitate the market entry of WPC-products by means of marketing and to create a quality seal.

Material

VHI's specific fields of activity are inter alia:

- Support of the business forums "particleboards and fibreboards", "plywood", "wood polymer composites" and "internal doors" as well as of the committees for "technology" and "raw materials".
- Consulting on the fields of economy, technology and politics
- Initiation of research projects and market studies
- Specialist statements regarding European and national draft guidelines, -laws and -regulations
- Representation of branches in committees of public bodies, research institutions, national and European standardization bodies, professional associations and other relevant institutions
- Industry oriented public relations and marketing

Products

The German wood-based panels and inner door industry produces an annual turnover of 5,5 bn Euro (2011) with 16000 employees. The production amounts to 6,5 mill. cbm of particleboards, 3,8 mill. cbm of fibreboards as well as 130,000 cbm and about 5,9 mill. internal doors.