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Timber shows off green credentials at Ecobuild



Above: Accsys Technologies' CEO Paul Clegg and Coillte Panel Products' MD Gerry Britchfield with the first Medite Tricoya panel

Left: Howarth Timber Engineering showcased timber frame panel options

TIMBER PRODUCTS presented a compelling eco-friendly case at Ecobuild, the UK's largest building products event, this week.

The announcement by organiser International Business Events that timber represented the largest single group of exhibitors was clearly evident as both UK and foreign timber products firms made their pitches to architects and contractors.

Accsys Technologies plc unveiled the world's first modified wood panel - Medite Tricoya - which represents a partnership between Accsys and Coillte Panel Products. The MDF panel was transformed using

Accsys' Accoya wood modification process and is designed to offer improved stability and durability to open up new panel applications outdoors.

Arch Timber Protection unveiled its Keyword modified wood.

Howarth Timber Engineering had one of the single largest stands in the timber sector, showcasing dozens of different timber frame wall panels and insulation options. "The key thing is we are trying to offer choice," said managing director Roger Gale.

It also displayed its new Firebreak panel as a solution for offering more fire protection to

timber frame structures during construction.

MiTek premiered its X-Rafter - a flexible pre-insulated roof cassette system using its Posi-Strut technology.

Meanwhile, manufacturers of wood-fibre insulation had a strong representation, with Steico launching its Steicoprotect - a direct render system involving lime render applied direct to external wood fibre insulation.

Rival manufacturer Pavatex saw its Diffutherm direct render system presented with a BBA certificate during the show.

● A full Ecobuild report will follow in the next issue.