



WELCOME THE READER!

Since its founding, the Innovation Association of Forestry and Wood Industry (ERFATÁRS) [formerly: Wood Industry Innovation Society, Forestry and Wood Industry Innovation Society] has supported the creation and publication of scientific publications by Hungarian researchers.

The development of technology has now enabled the efficient professional processing and publication of previously published scientific publications.

In 2008, as a first step, our association digitized and published the material of the "Forestry and Wood Science Bulletins" from 1951-2000 with one year of volunteer work.

Our endeavor was welcomed by the profession.

We prepared a Slovak-Hungarian INTERREG tender with ERFARET Kft.

ERFARET successfully won this tender.

In 2012, the implementation of the "Free Web Portal on Environment, Forestry and Wood Science ENVIFOR-WEB HUSK/1001/2.5.2/0025 Cross Border" tender began, in which our Association participated with voluntary work.

As a result of this work, in August 2014, thousands of Hungarian-Slovak bilingual scientific publications became available on the enwifor.eu website. The voluminous professional material organized in the library and operated with modern search methods has become popular in professional circles.

On the Hungarian side, Dr. Dénes Varga, Dr. Tamás Apostol and András Molnár worked in this work. From the Slovak side, Ing. Štefan Boháček PhD, ing. Vladislav Ihnat PhD, ing. Stanislav Florek participated.

Unfortunately, after barely a year of operation, ERFARET Kft. was liquidated, so the portal ceased to exist.

In 2016, our Association decided to create a new web-based multilingual knowledge base under the name "Selmec Kincse®" - drawing on the lessons of previous initiatives.

The title refers to the Selmec Academy, whose predecessor was the mining and metallurgical educational institute (Bergschule, Berg Schola). We can count its founding from the register of the Vienna Court Chamber on June 22, 1735. The Academy - this name officially ceased in 1904, when it was organized as a college - was forced to cease operations in Selmecbánya after the First World War and moved to Sopron in 1919. The Faculties of Mining Engineering and Smelting Engineering were moved to Miskolc in 1949, where they became faculties of the Technical University of Heavy Industry, supplemented

by the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering; today it continues to operate under the name Miskolc University.

In accordance with the Selmec tradition, we focus on forestry, wood industry and mining materials. Among the scientific publications published in the languages of the nations inheriting the Selmec tradition, those published in German can only be published in a certain circle (e.g. a paper written in German by a Hungarian author), because it is beyond our means to process the entire relevant German language literature.

Since 2016, we have been continuously digitizing Hungarian, Polish, Czech and Slovak forestry, wood industry and, to a lesser extent, mining scientific publications. We try to make all publications published in the original language accessible to an international readership with summaries in at least two foreign languages.

We are happy to launch our electronic library with ever-developing content.

According to our plans, the entire work of the following intellectual workshops will soon be available in Hungarian:

- * Wood Industry Research Institute (FaKI) [Budapest]
- * Forestry Science Institute (ERTI) [Budapest – Sárvár]
- * Wood Industry Science Association (FaTE) [Budapest – Sopron]
- * University of Sopron (and its predecessors) [Selmecebánya – Sopron]

We also planned to process important publication materials of other professions. These include the paper industry, mining and metallurgy, on which our volunteers are already working.

The multilingual presentation of the contents of the "Selmec Kincse®" electronic library is gradually being realized. In 2025, we will focus our efforts on preparing summaries/translations in English, German, and Slovak.

To date, we have completed this enormous work exclusively with volunteer work.

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- *Géza László, wood industry engineer, for translating some texts into Czech

We are eternally grateful to the late prof. Dr. Sándor Molnár and the late prof. Dr. Marian Babiak for their moral support that continues to this day.

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financially supported our work!*

We believe that the professional audience will welcome the new web-based multilingual knowledge base operated by our Association!

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on behalf of the
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