

## **TIMBER QUEENSLAND MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **New toolbox for building professionals explains the benefits of using timber**

Building professionals and procurement managers attending an engineered timber seminar in Brisbane today received a toolbox of factsheets to help explain to clients and stakeholders the benefits of using timber over other construction materials.

Timber Queensland Chief Executive Mick Stephens said the eleven fact sheets address environmental, sustainability, construction and maintenance topics as well as the workplace and health benefits of timber.

“Responding to a knowledge gap between building professionals and those who are commissioning and signing off on projects, Queensland’s timber industry developed this ‘timber toolbox’ of quick facts and more detailed references for further reading,” said Mr Stephens.

“The fact sheets include contemporary case studies demonstrating the innovative uses of timber and its cost-effectiveness as a renewable resource,” he said.

“They provide information on the environmental and low carbon benefits of timber, and associated interest and uptake in using engineered timber products in mid-rise and taller commercial construction.”

“The sheets are available for [download](#) from Timber Queensland’s website and will be useful to include in tenders, presentation material and sales and support documentation.”

Mr Stephens said assistance from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries was fundamental in producing the fact sheets and he hopes this will translate to more business for Queensland timber suppliers.

“Timber Queensland is appreciative for Queensland Government support in instigating and completing the project.

“We hope as more decision-makers understand the benefits of using timber there is an increasing use of beautiful Queensland timber species in major building and infrastructure projects including the Queens Wharf development in Brisbane.”

The fact sheets are available for download from Timber Queensland’s [website](#).

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