

Welcome, Patricia Vega, Ph.D.

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Patricia Vega has joined the Wood-Based Composites I/UCRC as Managing Director. Patty has been working hard with departing Managing Director, Linda Caudill to “learn the ropes” before Linda’s departure in late November. Patty will officially begin the role of Managing Director on November 2, 2020.

You can read more about Dr. Vega’s education and background below. As Managing Director, she will serve all WBC members, faculty and students, and will maintain an office at Oregon State University in Corvallis. Patty is excited about working with all members and stakeholders of the Center. Please feel free to contact Patricia (patricia.vega@oregonstate.edu) and welcome her to the team.

Patricia Vega studied Forest Science Engineering at the National Agrarian University La Molina in Perú. She has more than twelve years of experience leading forestry and development projects.

Patricia obtained her Ph.D. in Wood Science at Oregon State University, at the Applied Mycology Lab. Her research was focused in the decay complexity and perception of spalted wood in the market. Until recently, Patricia has worked as a researcher at the Center of Wood Anatomy Research (CWAR) at the USDA Forest Products Laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin, and is currently an Honorary Fellow at the Botany Department at the University of Wisconsin. She is also co-founder of the initiative Community facilitating access of Latin-American forestry undergrads to global forestry research networks.

Patricia is a woodturner and is devoted to promote science and woodworking among young students.

