

INITIATIVES - IN 2012, THE BWF WILL CONTINUE TO HELP ITS MEMBERS BY:

- ▶ Offering **direct support** for their businesses, whether through personal responses through the helplines or through advice and guidance available on the website.
- ▶ Using the BWF Newsletters and the website news section to **keep members informed** and aware of the **latest developments** in the Federation and the industry.
- ▶ Ensuring they are aware of the **full range of services** and information offered by the BWF and how they can help them and their businesses.
- ▶ Reviewing and expanding the **technical information** available on the website.
- ▶ Working to **understand their needs** better through individual meetings, surveys and the response and comment forums on the website, so as to address them more effectively.
- ▶ Helping them to with the continuing requirements of **Part L 2010** including compliance issues with Local Building Control and FENSA
- ▶ Providing guidance on the consultation documents for **Part L 2013**
- ▶ Providing comprehensive guidance and support on **CE marking** in preparation for July 2013.
- ▶ Working with CEN and BSI on the **development of the Product Standards** for internal doorsets and doorsets and openable windows with fire resisting and/or smoke control characteristics.
- ▶ Securing the **support of building inspectors, architects and specifiers** for BWF accredited stairs and promoting the fire certification element of the Scheme in partnership with BRE.
- ▶ Leading the timber industry initiative to **improve procurement processes to help minimise production waste** and to pilot a system of wood waste collection hubs.
- ▶ Launching a **BWF OSAT Programme** to qualify the workforce and pilot an initiative to encourage further investment in apprenticeships by industry, while enticing young people into our sector.
- ▶ Launching the BWF's own **Online Training Academy (E-Learning)** beginning with the launch of a module on wood waste while development is underway to expand the range of modules available.
- ▶ Participating actively in the **creation and review of qualifications** and college provision with ProSkills and ConstructionSkills for improvement in joinery industry training.
- ▶ Making the most of its **links with other organisations to influence** Government and the construction industry.
- ▶ Capitalising on the opportunities emerging from the report of the **Government's Low Carbon Construction Innovation** and Growth Team and the **Green Deal**.
- ▶ Complementing the Wood Window Alliance's **campaign to promote wood windows**.
- ▶ Launching a **certification scheme for fire door inspectors** and a competent persons scheme for fire door maintainers.
- ▶ Using CPD seminars and training opportunities to **raise awareness and understanding of fire** doors among public sector procurement and facilities managers.
- ▶ Increasing **credibility of the BWF Code of Conduct** badge and helping members meet this standard as a mandatory requirement of membership.
- ▶ Implementing **President's initiative to encourage new blood into the industry** and the BWF to secure the future of our sector, our businesses, and even more important, our own success.