

QUALIFICATIONS & AWARDS

MBA; Leeds Business School (2002)

MSc., Biodeterioration of Materials; University of Portsmouth (1990)

BSc. (Hons), Wood Science; UCNW Bangor, (1989)

CQI IRCA ISO 9001:2015 Lead Auditor; BMTrada, (2023)

NCFE Level 2, Lean Management; North Hertfordshire College, (2020)

IOSH Managing Safely; Project Skills Solutions, (2019)

AIWSc, Associate of the Institute of Wood Science, (1992)

International Patent Nos. WO96/27483 and AU1996048867, (1996)

EXPERIENCE

Having gained qualifications in Wood Science and Biodeterioration of Materials, my career began during 1990, in the laboratories of Hickson, the world leaders in timber preservation technology and responsible for the Tanalised® timber brand. Working with the R&D team, our goal was to develop an alternative to CCA wood preservative. In 1996, we were awarded with a patent which protected the technology that had been developed and resulted in the launch of Tanalith E wood preservative, which is still widely used around the world today.

Other assignments at Hickson included development and global launch of a new antisapstain product, management of the UK sales team and development & implementation of the first company website, which was a revolutionary achievement in 1999!

In 2003, I joined PTG Treatments, a multi-site wood treatment service provider, as Managing Director. Over the next 17 years we developed new sites & services and became the only company offering preservative, fire retardant and coatings services to the European timber industry. We made a comprehensive understanding of timber and how we can enhance it's performance, a core competence of the company. This was achieved through a structured training & competency programme, developed and delivered in-house to all members of the organisation. I believe that knowledge, experience and competence lead to engagement & motivation and are the foundation of any successful, profitable & sustainable business.

I formed my own company Woodable in 2020 and now help forest products companies, large and small, develop their business and find solutions to their challenges. Working on technical and commercial projects, I draw on over 30 years of forest products experience and knowledge. I was delighted to join the team at TFT Woodexperts in 2023 and look forward to helping more companies make the most of our most versatile and beautiful natural material; wood.