News Release

International Paper Announces Opening of Educational Forest Trail Near its Saillat Mill

Brussels, Belgium, October 20, 2014 — International Paper is announcing the recent opening of an educational forest trail in the French Limousin region where its Saillat pulp and paper mill is located. The trail invites visitors to a live experience of sustainable forest management practices and demonstrates some of the specific measures International Paper and its wood procurement subsidiary Le Comptoir des Bois de Brive are applying to protect and sustain ecosystems.

Laid out in a forest close to the company’s Saillat mill and featuring a lake and a wide variety of tree species, the trail is an ideal location for observing natural environments and local standing timber. Aiming at educating about the forest’s ecosystem and its three essential roles – social, ecological and economic - the two-kilometer long trail offers information about specific themes in seven stations, including the mill’s wood supply, forest wetland, tree species, natural habitats and others. Signboards on each station facilitate the tour.

The trail also includes an arboretum planted in spring 2013 as part of a European project aiming to measure the impact of climate change on various species of trees. The arboretum includes 1,296 trees covering 36 species from English oak to Eucalyptus and Gingko Biloba.

Philippe d’Adhémar, Mill General Director at International Paper’s Saillat mill, explains that "the Saillat mill has been in the region for over 100 years, and as part of our long-standing commitment to sustainability, we want to help inform and educate about the importance of sustainable forest management to preserve local forests for future generations.” He added that “our forest trail is a very hands-on way to engage our stakeholders”.

About International Paper

International Paper (NYSE: IP) is a global leader in packaging and paper with manufacturing operations in North America, Europe, Latin America, Russia, Asia and North Africa. Its businesses include industrial and consumer packaging and uncoated papers. Headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., the company employs approximately 65,000 people and is strategically located in more than 24 countries serving customers worldwide. International Paper net sales for 2013 were $29 billion. For
more information about International Paper, its products and stewardship efforts, visit www.internationalpaper.com.

In Europe, Middle East, Africa & Russia (EMEA), International Paper focuses on the production and marketing of office papers and paper-based packaging. The company is a leading supplier of high-quality cutsize papers, coated and uncoated paperboard and corrugated containers for a wide range of applications. International Paper in EMEA had net sales of approximately $3.2 billion in 2013 and employs approximately 9,000 people.

Located in the French Limousin region since over a century, the Saillat pulp and paper mill is part of International Paper since 1989. It is the only integrated paper mill in France making uncoated woodfree papers exclusively from locally sourced wood. The mill’s environmental performance is recognized with the EU Ecolabel, FSC® and PEFC chain of custody certifications; the site is also one of the best performing globally in terms of CO₂ emissions.

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