

TOWARDS HIGH PERFORMANCE EUROPEAN WOOD MATERIALS FOR OUTDOORS USE

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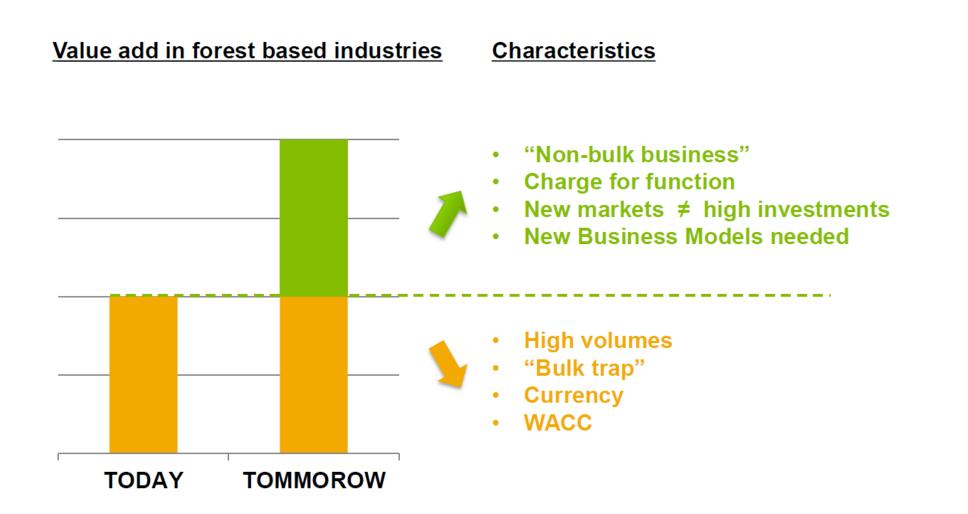


Global Macro Trends

Urbanisation	Digitalisation/ Connectivity	Innovate to Zero	E-mobility	Beyond Demographics	New Business Models
 What does it mean Mega cities will rule, 50% in Asia Mega Corridors, high density population More effective supply and ecosystems 	 Humans love to interact Everything connected Participation Consumers know as much as brands Overwhelming load of data 	 Sustainable business for real Zero waste Zero errors Zero fossil Zero emissions Zero returns Zero accidents 	 New services and logistics Technology is ubiquitous Automated distribution Electric transportation 	 Demographics 2.0 Older generations grows, Gen Y grows More lifestyle, occasion than age or origin in focus "I will use packaging to track my" 	 Experience economy Sharing economy "less assets" Participation Pay for time + experience
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WHAT DOES IT TAKES TO CREATE 100% MORE VALUE? HYPOTHETIC APPROACH





- Today there is a range of different wood materials and products for use outdoor on the market.
- The majority of these consist of untreated, preservative treated or modified wood.
- Sapwood from coniferous trees needs protection to resist biodegradation and get a reasonable service life.

 Heartwood has moderate service life in above ground situations and may be used without further treatment



PROTECTED WOOD FOR OUTDOORS USE

Preservative treated





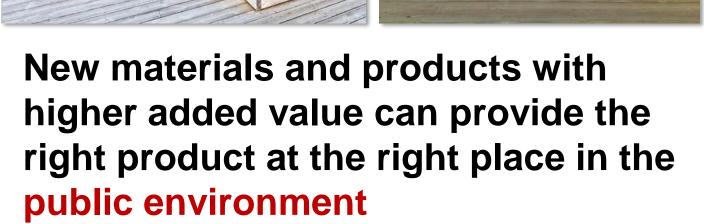




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Public stakeholders and consumers are seeking for durable wood materials

- Try to comply with political decisions (sustainability, biobased,...)
- Are influenced by society trends (increased use of wood in general)
- Environmental aspects, maintenance and safety are crucial factors



WHY TARGET PUBLIC CONSUMERS?

• Public consumers purchase in larger quantities, and that is the key factor that could drive the shift to high quality wood products with truly predictable properties and service life.

- By targeting public consumers an economical driving force is created.
- Public stakeholders and end users are key players on building public opinion and by that influencing other markets.



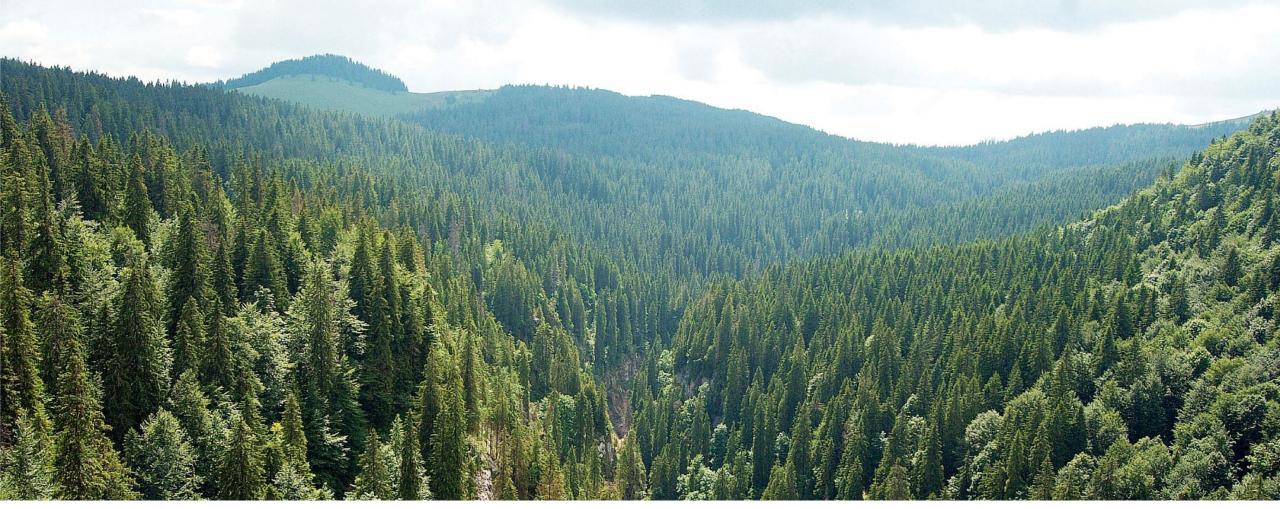
- Environmental concerns seem to make this group less positive to import of wood materials, especially of non-native wood species (in Sweden).
- Public consumers have also higher expectations on performance and cost-efficiency while handling taxpayers' money.
- As private users, public stakeholders and end users are also confused regarding the properties of the wood products on the market. Taxpayers' money is being spent in expensive alternatives to preservative treated wood with the promise of higher performance which is not being delivered.





- Need for new wood assortments with improved quality
- Suitable wood raw material assortments which allows for full potential in the different wood protection technology
- Improved wood quality, only possible trough changes in the value chain from harvest to final product.
- New markets?!





European conifer forests

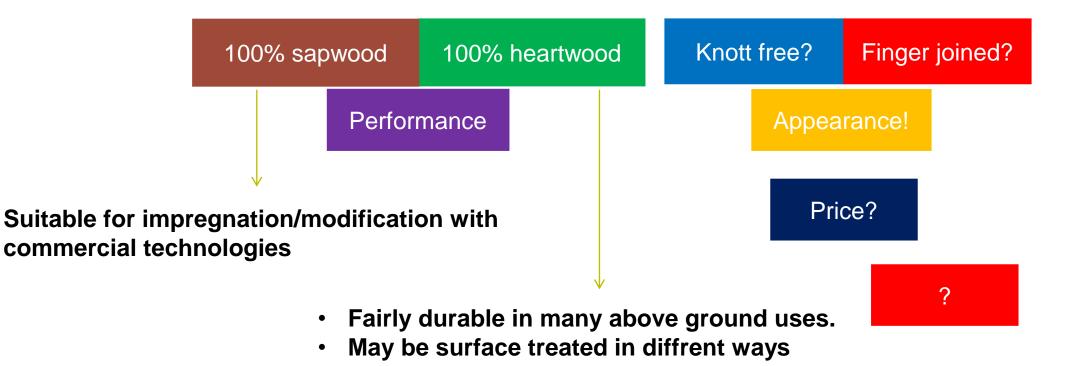
EU has some 177 MHa of forest and other wooded land and wood is by far the most important forest product

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Large dimension trees growing in Scandinavia

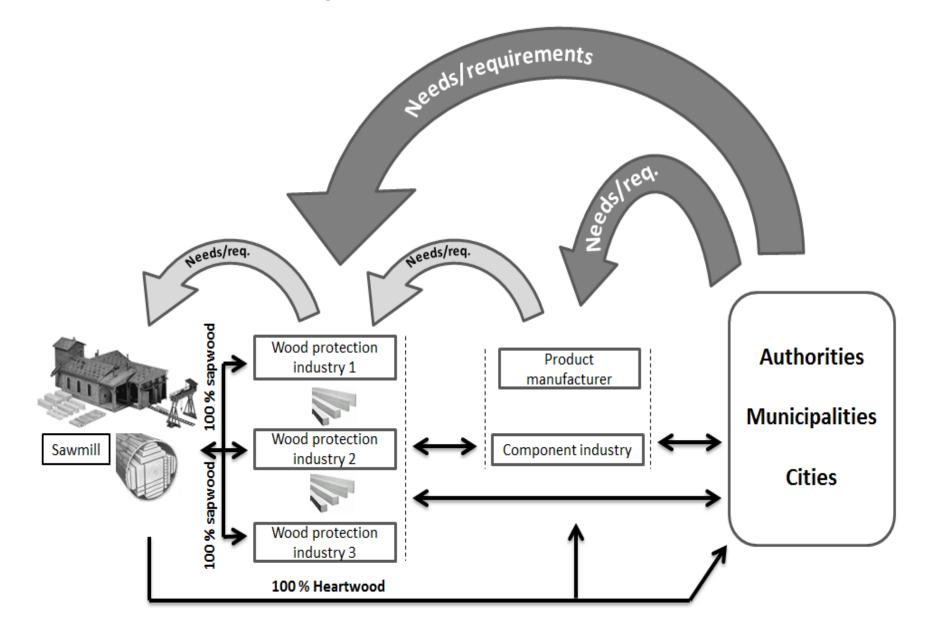
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Wood assortments for a wide and growing matket





Proposed value chain towards high performance wood for use in public outdoor environment.



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- Need for sawmill technology development
- Management of issues concerning current knowledge and information on available wood materials contra novel wood materials.
 - This means that the wood protection industry will also have to experiment with new assortments in different ways to be able to answer this question.
- Describe the impact on the environment of novel products treated with specific wood protection technologies and compare these to other alternative wood materials in an understandable and convincing way.
- Ultimately, for the benefit of the European forest sector, society and end users in general, high performance wood building materials for outdoors use made of European wood may become available.





THANK YOU!

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