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**FORESTRY BIOECONOMY**

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## Lecture structure

1. Introduction
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3. Sustainable development
4. Strategy, expected directions of development
5. Conclusions

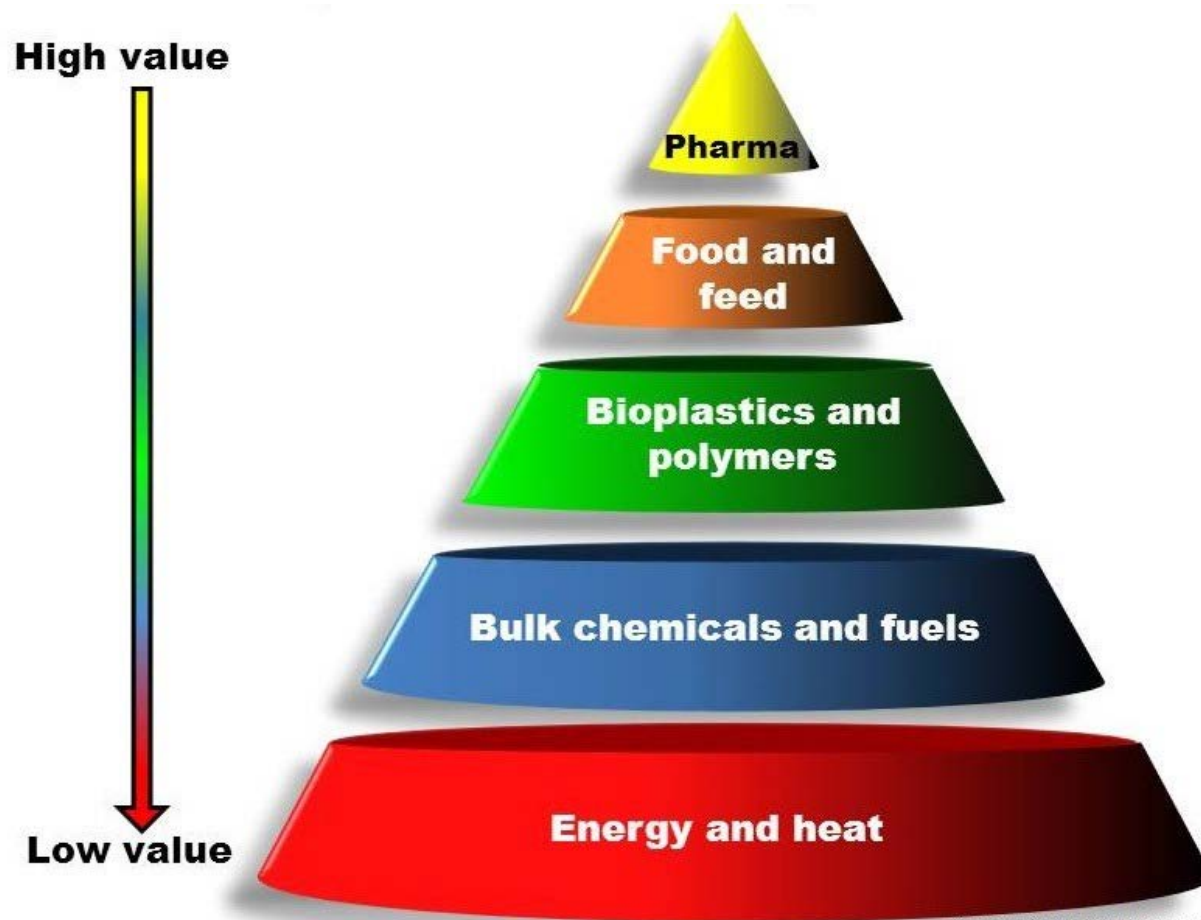
# 1. Forestry bioeconomy - definition

- Includes all economic activities related to forestry and forest ecosystem services
- an economy based on the innovative use of renewable natural resources
- a concept focused on current and expected future changes in the forestry sector
- synonym for the forestry sector

## 2. Potential of forestry bioeconomy

- All manufacturing industries using biomass, the traditional forestry sector, energy industry, the chemical industry, and the pharmaceutical industry
- Current efforts to expand the product matrix of the traditional forest industry and new ways of using wood biomass as industrial raw material.





Source: Peter Westermann

## **Forestry bioeconomy is not only wood – ecosystem services (World Resources Institute 2003)**

**Ecosystem services** are the benefits people obtain from ecosystems. These include provisioning, regulating, and cultural services that directly affect people and supporting services needed to maintain the other services.



### Provisioning Services

*Products obtained  
from ecosystems*

- Food
- Fresh water
- Fuelwood
- Fiber
- Biochemicals
- Genetic resources

### Regulating Services

*Benefits obtained  
from regulation of  
ecosystem processes*

- Climate regulation
- Disease regulation
- Water regulation
- Water purification
- Pollination

### Cultural Services

*Nonmaterial  
benefits obtained  
from ecosystems*

- Spiritual and religious
- Recreation and ecotourism
- Aesthetic
- Inspirational
- Educational
- Sense of place
- Cultural heritage

### Supporting Services

*Services necessary for the production of all other ecosystem services*

- Soil formation
- Nutrient cycling
- Primary production



		Excludable		Non-Excludable
		private good		open access
<b>Rival</b>		ecosys. service benefit e.g. almonds	high use	some fisheries
			Inshore fishery	
<b>Non-Rival</b>		toll/club good	CO2 storage	pure public good
		information from nature	low use	UV protection

Fisher, B., Turner, R. K., Morling, P. 2009. Defining and classifying ecosystem services for decision making. *Ecological Economics* 68/3: 643-653.





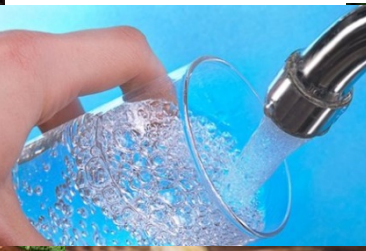
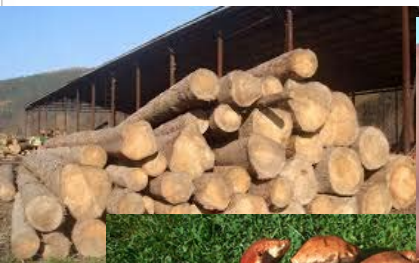
# Forest ecosystem services (1)

The subject of bioeconomy is the first group of ecosystem services  
Specific ecosystem services are different in location, time, etc.

**Swedish example**

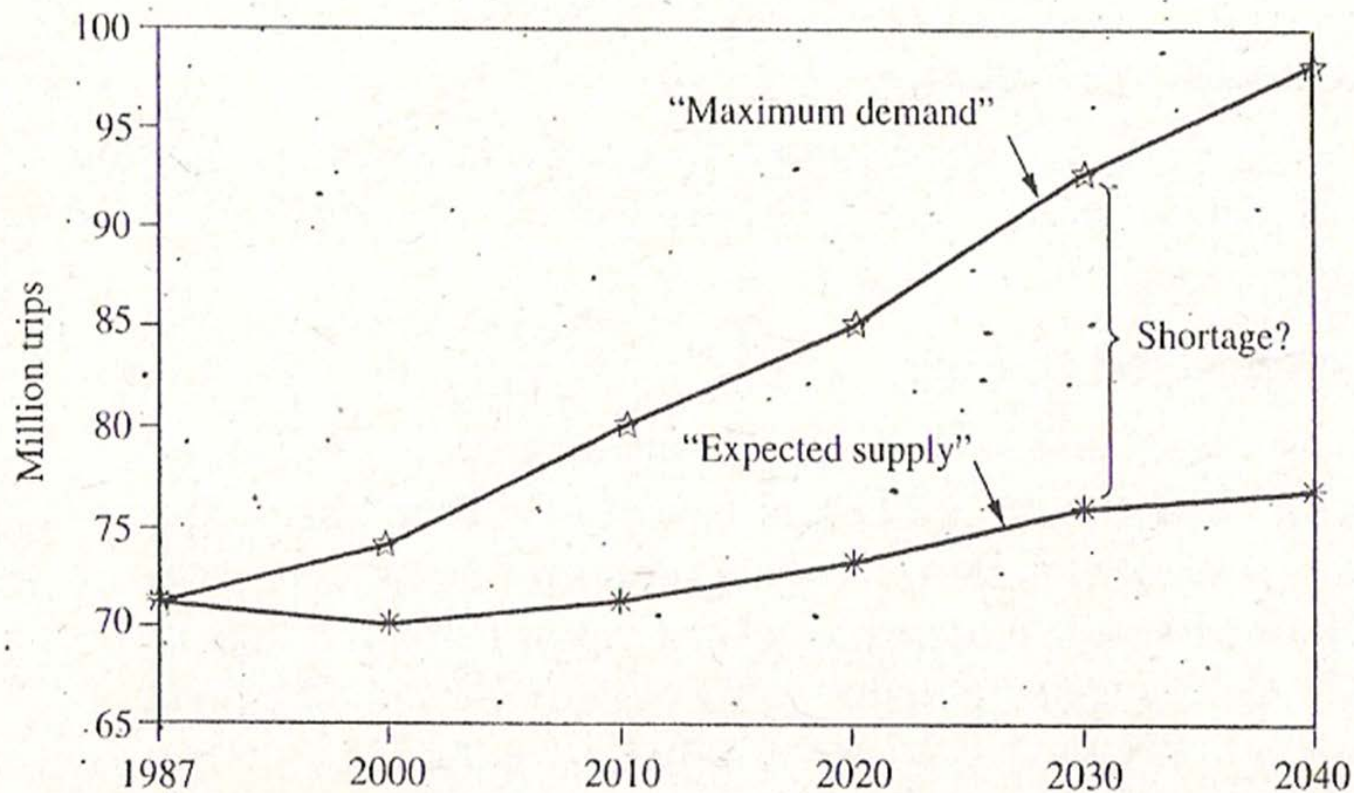


Class	Division	Ecosystem service
Provisioning services	Nutrition	Berries
		Mushrooms
		Game
		Reindeer and fodder
Materials	Energy	Drinking water
		Timber and pulpwood
		Decorative materials
Energy	Energy	Genetic resources
		Bioenergy





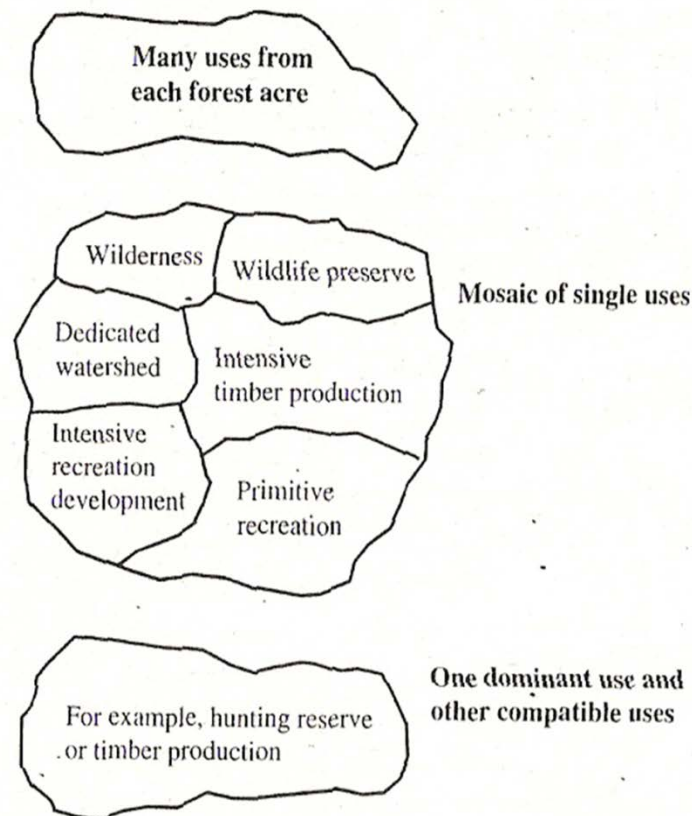
Projected "gap" between maximum demand and expected supply for nature study trips. (USFS [1990a], p. 69.)





## Forest ecosystem services (2)

- Many outputs from each forestry area (to produce all outputs on each acre is impossible)
- a mosaic of single uses on separate areas
- various forms of multiple use
- management for a „dominant use and all other compatible uses
- many uses over time (clear-cut can provide deer hunting)





## The Forests of the City of Prague

**The aim of the study was:**

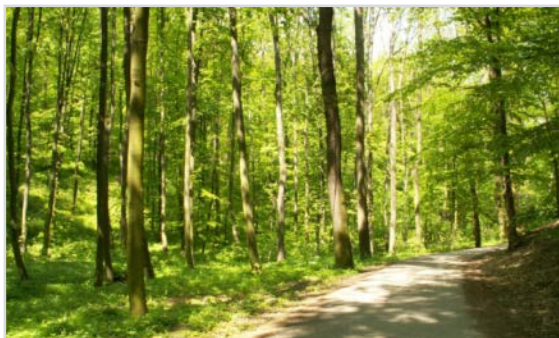
1. Information on the provision of ecosystem services in suburban forests
2. Valuation of the most important ecosystem services



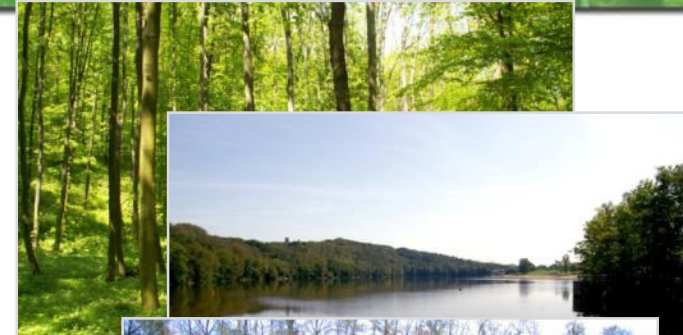
## The Forests of the City of Prague - main departments:

1. Department of forests
2. Department of watercourses
3. Department of city parks
4. Department of ecology education

+ administrative, control and logistics departments

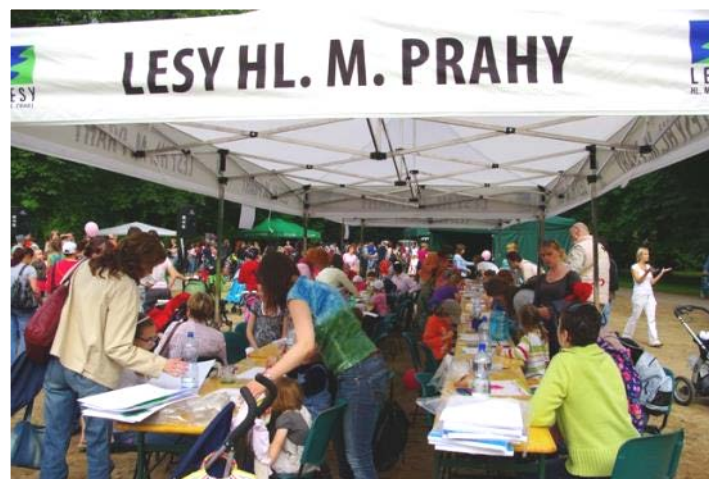


- The extent of Prague forests is 2900 ha
- We maintain watercourses (210 km) and dams (130 pcs)
- We have two forest nursery with ornamental flowers and trees
- Caring for injured wild animals in the rescue center
- We provide educational activities about nature for schools and the general public





- New activities:
  - Coordination of Environmental Education in Prague in schools and boroughs





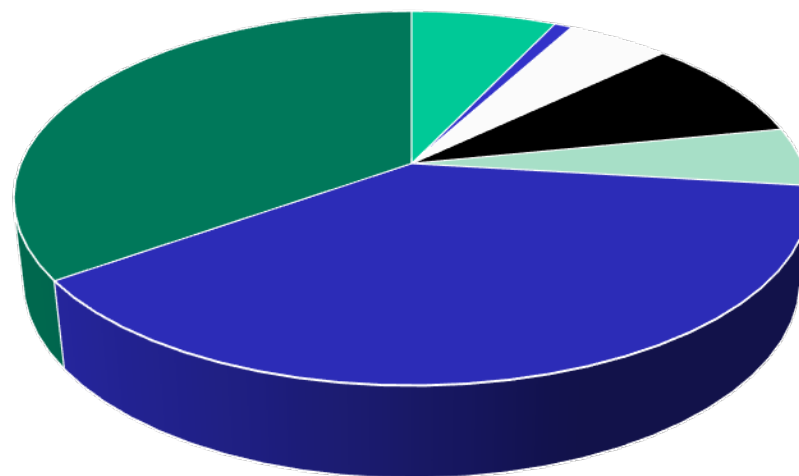
- New activities:
  - Maintenance of important parks in Prague, such as Petrin, Vitkov







<b>recreation</b>	<b>741 000 EUR</b>
<b>cultural-educational</b>	<b>675 000 EUR</b>
<b>hydric</b>	<b>173 220 EUR</b>
<b>wood-production</b>	<b>136 364 EUR</b>
<b>wind-protection</b>	<b>98 036 EUR</b>
<b>non wood-production</b>	<b>96 762 EUR</b>
<b>breeding animals and hunting</b>	<b>16 666 EUR</b>

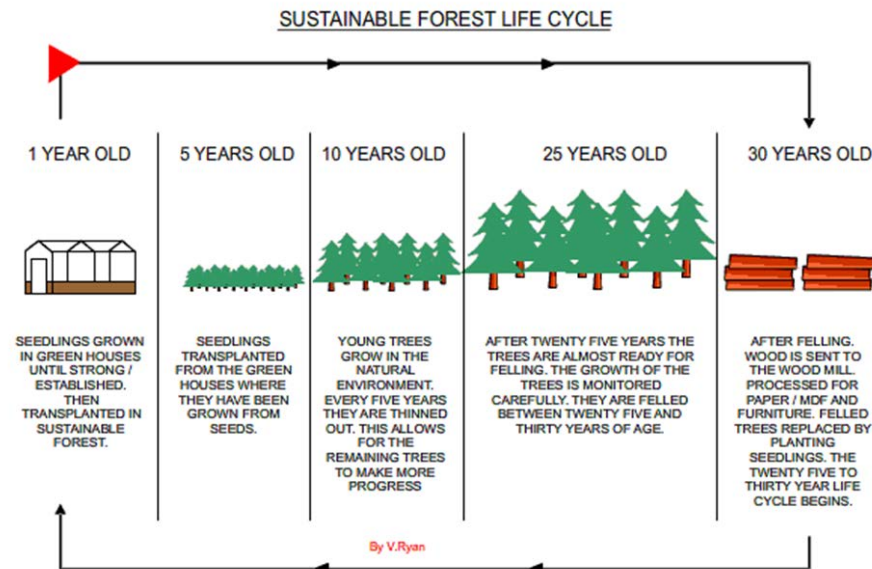




## 3. Sustainable development

One of the most important principles of bioeconomy is sustainability

It is not just about the sustainability of the production process





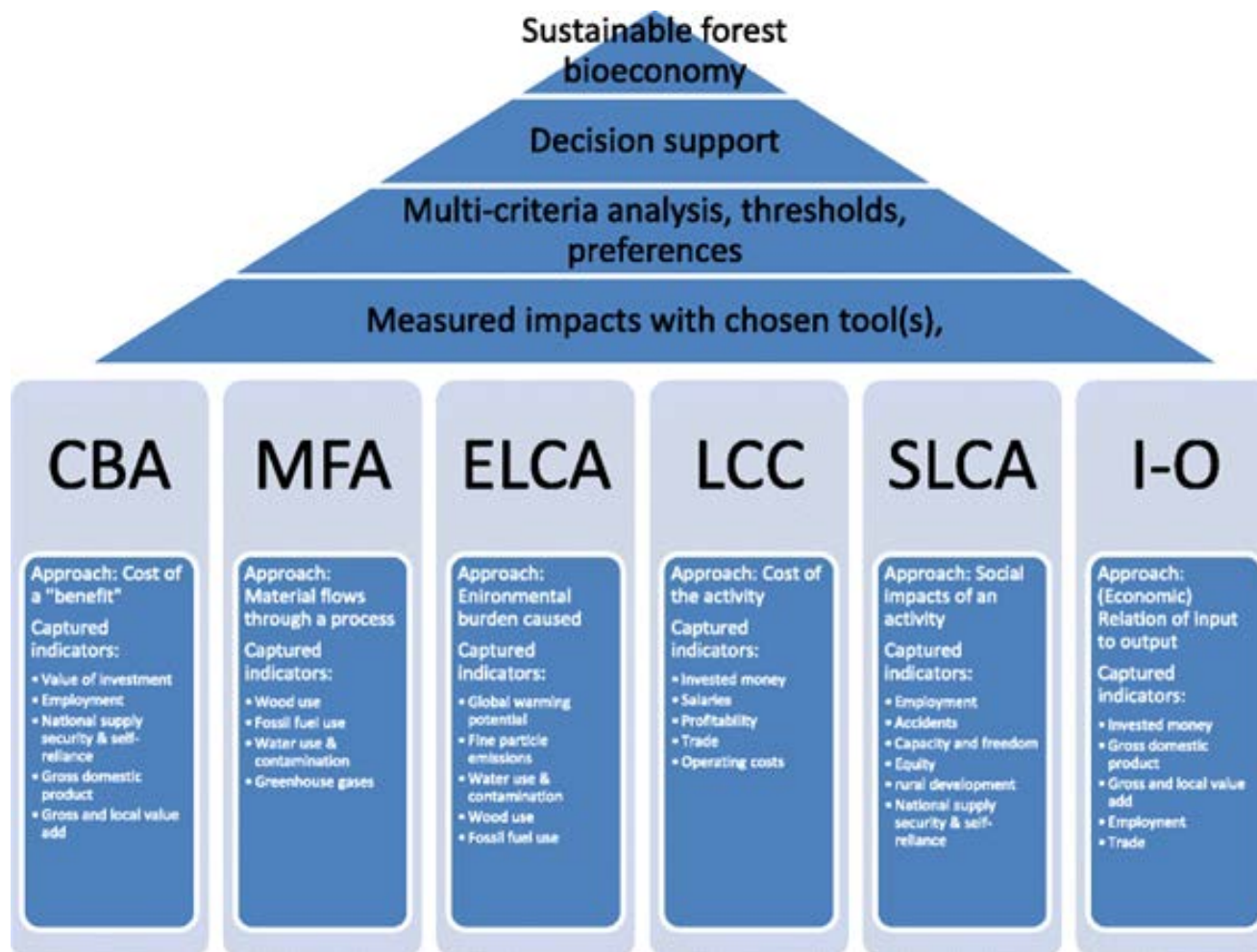
## **General definition of sustainability**

Sustainable forest management is a dynamic and evolving concept that aims to maintain and enhance the economic, social and environmental value of all types of forests, for the benefit of present and future generations (UN 2008).



## One of the deterrent examples of unsustainability is palm plantations







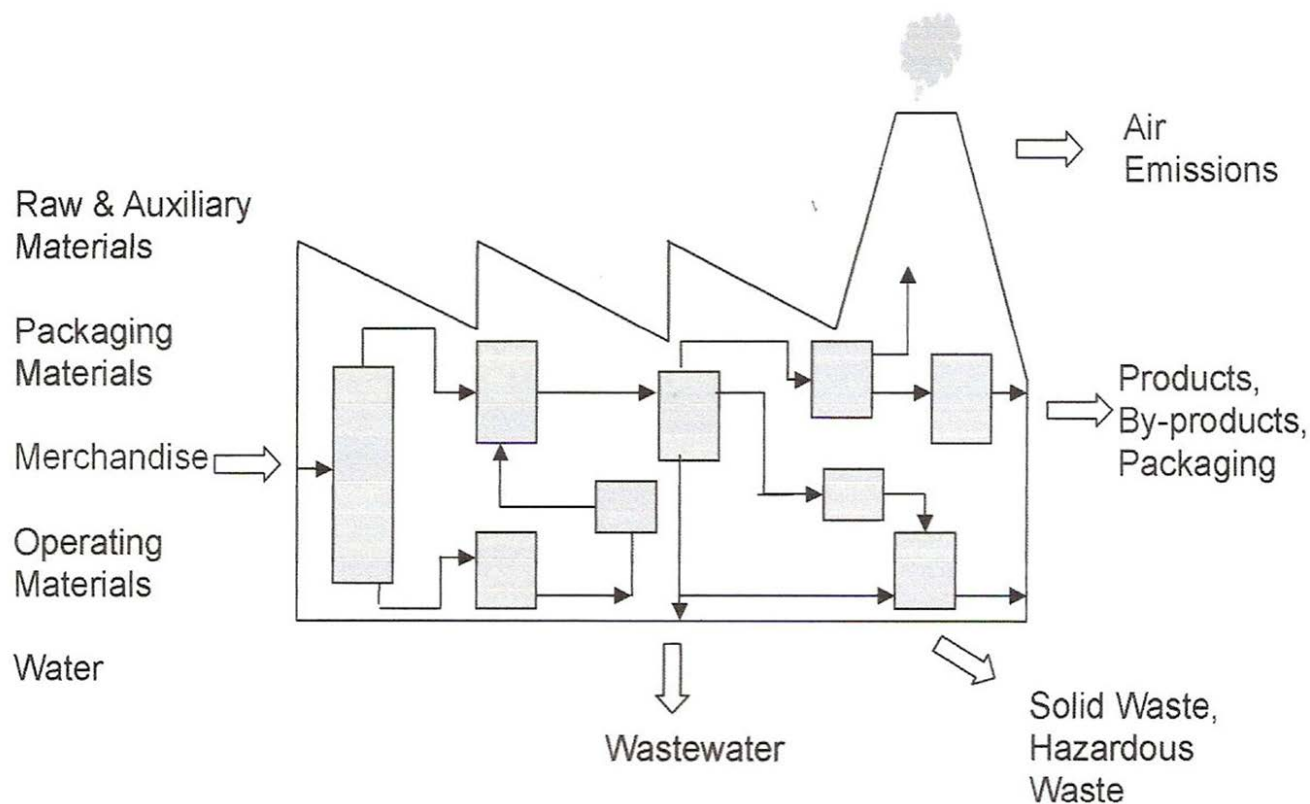
## Cost benefit analysis

$$CBA = \sum_{n=1}^N B_n \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} - \sum_{n=1}^N C_n \frac{1}{(1+r)^n}$$

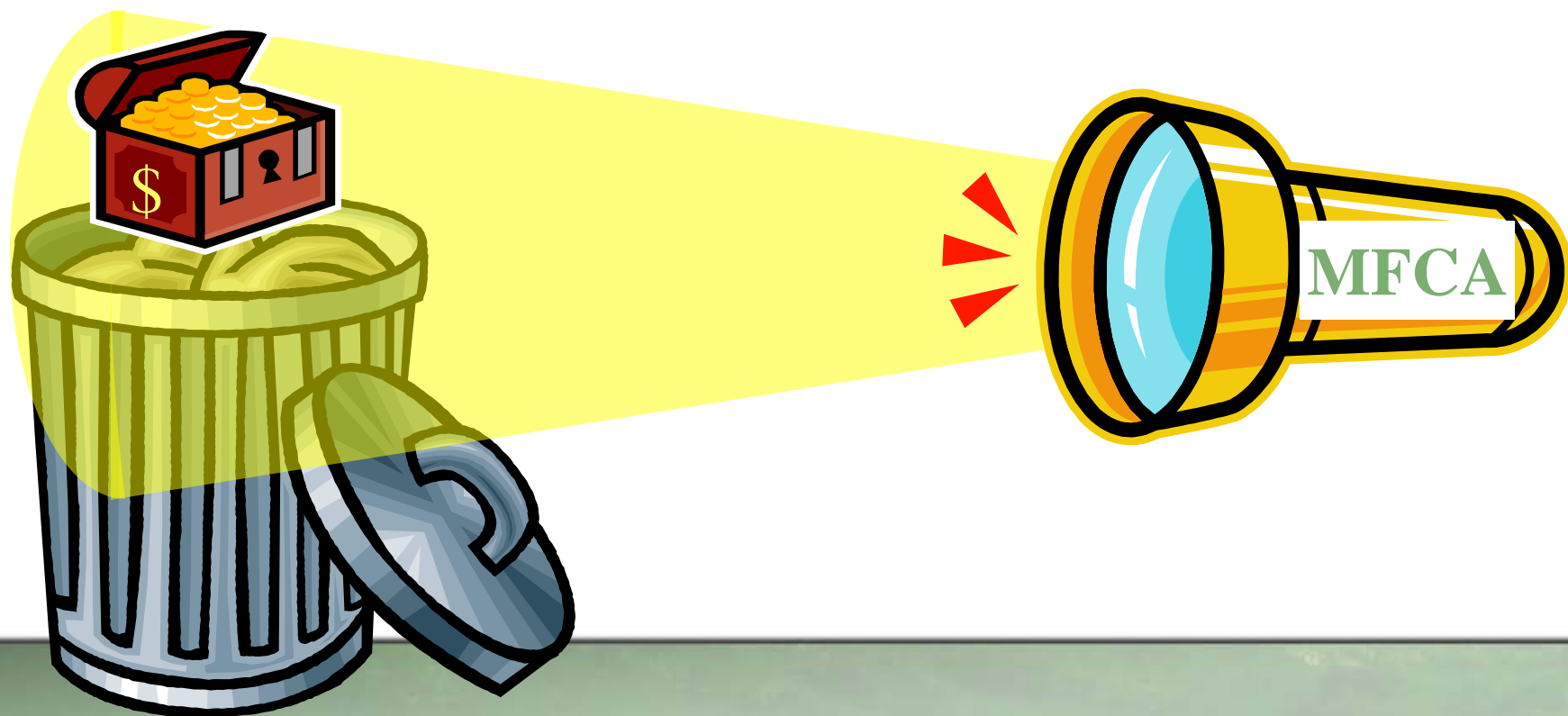
- CBA defines an investor's willingness to pay for an asset based on estimated benefits, costs, and the desired rate of return
- CBA is powerful tool in valuing forest properties



# Material flow accounting



- MFCA focuses on emission (waste)
- Profit is hidden in emission (waste)
- MFCA finds out the hidden profit







## Benefits of MFCA

### Internal benefits

- Increasing profit
- Improving productivity

### External benefits

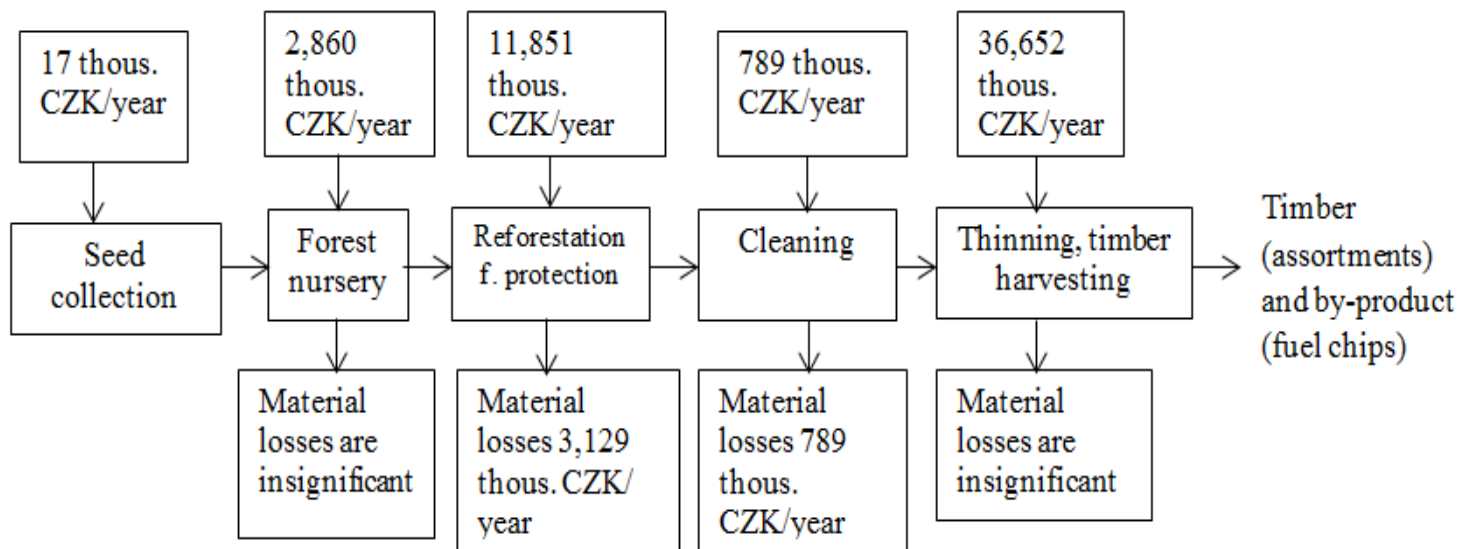
- Reducing environmental impacts

Contributing to sustainable development



## MFCA used in practice

- Training Forest Enterprise in Kostelec nad Černými lesy.
- Benefits in forest management can be seen not only in general areas of activities but also in the costs related to material losses and sales of logging residues.





## **Influence of forestry on climate change (mitigation)**

- Increase stand-level carbon density
- Increase (or maintain) forest area
- Increase carbon stored in products
- Reduce or avoid fossil emissions through product substitution and through bioenergy use



#### Aims & Scope

Well-managed forests and woodlands are a renewable resource, producing essential raw material with minimum waste and energy use. Rich in habitat and species diversity, forests may contribute to increased ecosystem stability. They can absorb the effects of unwanted deposition and other disturbances and protect neighbouring ecosystems by maintaining stable nutrient and energy cycles and by preventing soil degradation and erosion. They provide much-needed recreation and their continued existence contributes to stabilizing rural communities.

Forests are managed for timber production and species, habitat and process conservation. A subtle shift from multiple-use management to ecosystems management is being observed and the new ecological perspective of multi-functional forest management is based on the principles of ecosystem diversity, stability and elasticity, and the dynamic equilibrium of primary and secondary production.

Making full use of new technology is one of the challenges facing forest management today. Resource information must be obtained with a limited budget. This requires better timing of resource assessment activities and improved use of multiple data sources. Sound ecosystems management, like any other management activity, relies on effective forecasting and operational control.

The aim of the book series *Managing Forest Ecosystems* is to present state-of-the-art research results relating to the practice of forest management. Contributions are solicited from prominent authors. Each reference book, monograph or proceedings volume will be focused to deal with a specific context. Typical issues of the series are: resource assessment techniques, evaluating sustainability for even-aged and uneven-aged forests, multi-objective management, predicting forest development, optimizing forest management, biodiversity management and monitoring, risk assessment and economic analysis.

More information about this series at <http://www.springer.com/series/6247>

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## Managing Forest Ecosystems: The Challenge of Climate Change

Second Edition



Characteristics of the two boreal case study areas located in eastern Finland (North Karelia).

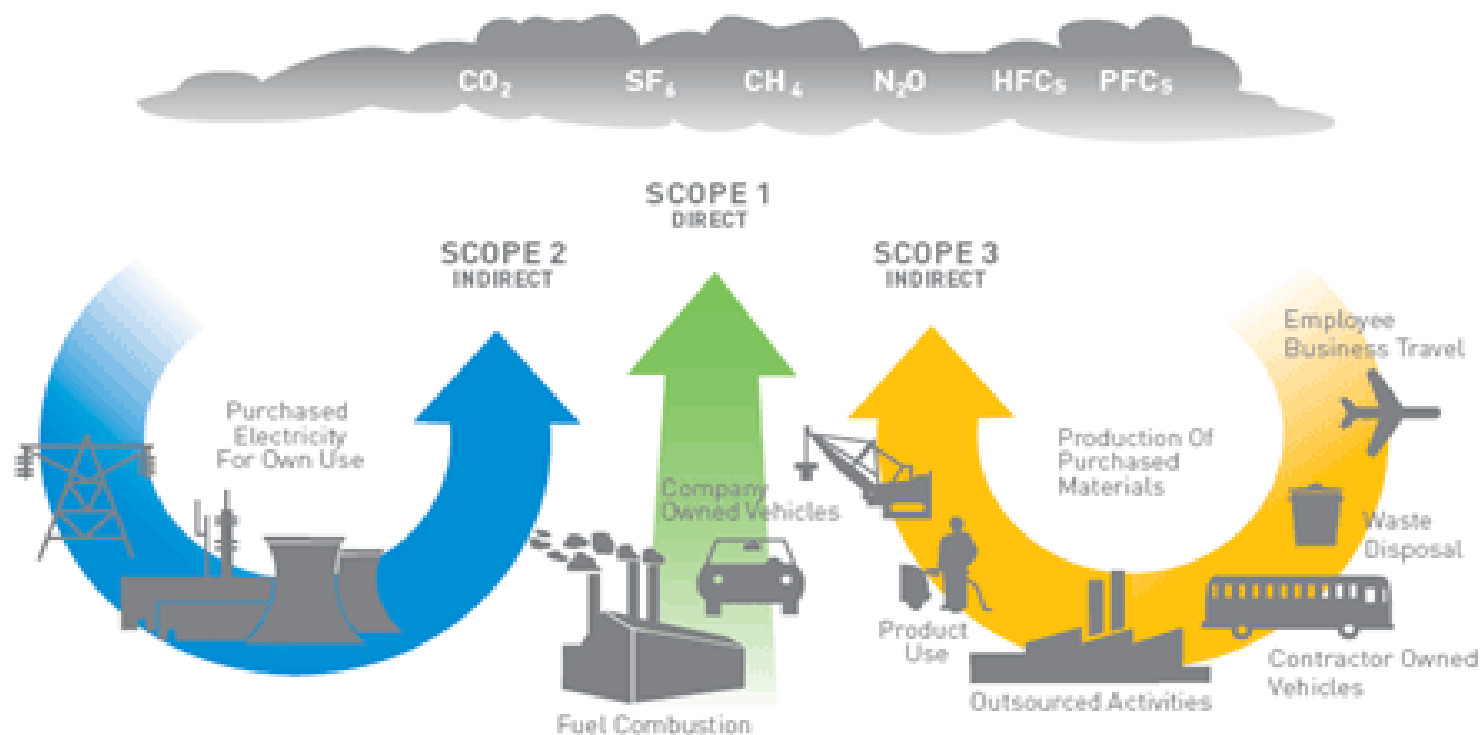
Case study areas	Pine-dominated forest (Vaivio)	Spruce-dominated forest (Koli)
Forest area, ha	950	1117
Forest biomass (above and below ground) stock, tonnes ha <sup>-1</sup>	88	150
▪ Scots pine (%)	48	30
▪ Norway spruce (%)	9	47
▪ <i>Betula</i> sp. (%)	43	17
▪ Others broadleaves (%)	1	6
Total carbon stock, tonnes ha <sup>-1</sup>	191	359
▪ Trees	41	65
▪ Mineral soils	150	294

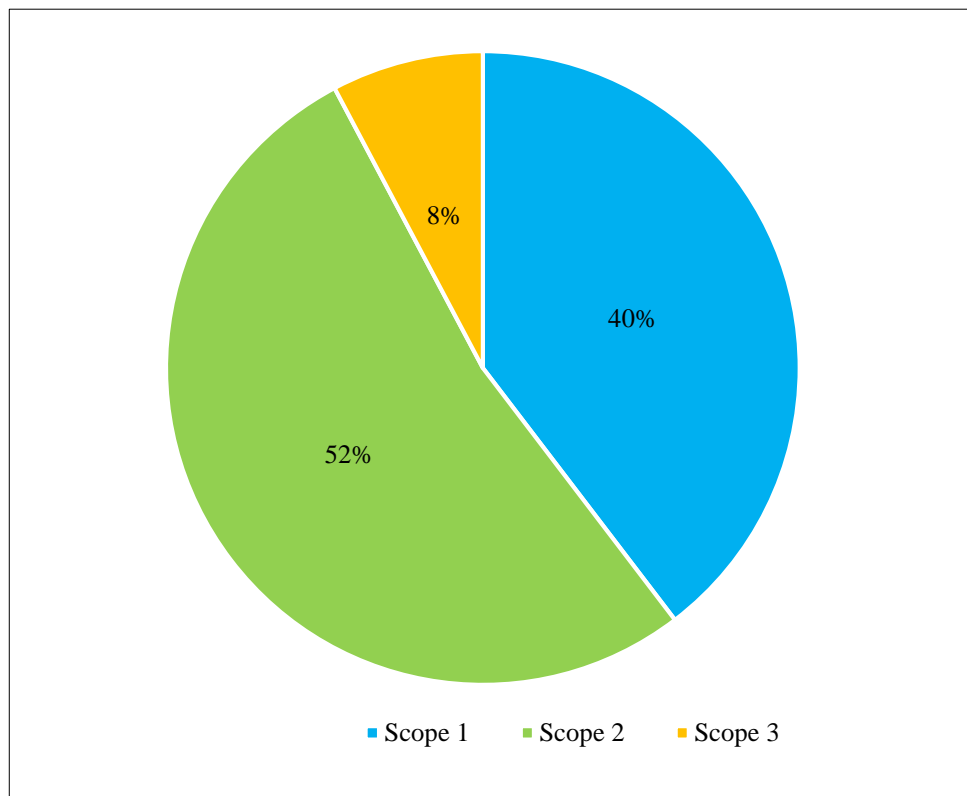
(Zubizarrea-Gerendiain et al. 2016)

## Influence of forestry on climate change – carbon footprint

**Carbon footprint –practical example** - The School Forest Enterprise in Kostelec nad Černými lesy:

The carbon footprint is an increasingly used indicator of sustainable development. Its growing popularity both at the level of businesses and products or institutions of public administration is related to the fact that it has a clear link to one of the key challenges of today – global climate change. The indicator can also be relatively well communicated towards customers, suppliers and subscribers. On the example of the School Forest Enterprise in Kostelec nad Černými lesy survey, we show the possibilities of calculating this indicator at the level of the enterprise in forestry. Emissions are divided into three areas (Scopes).







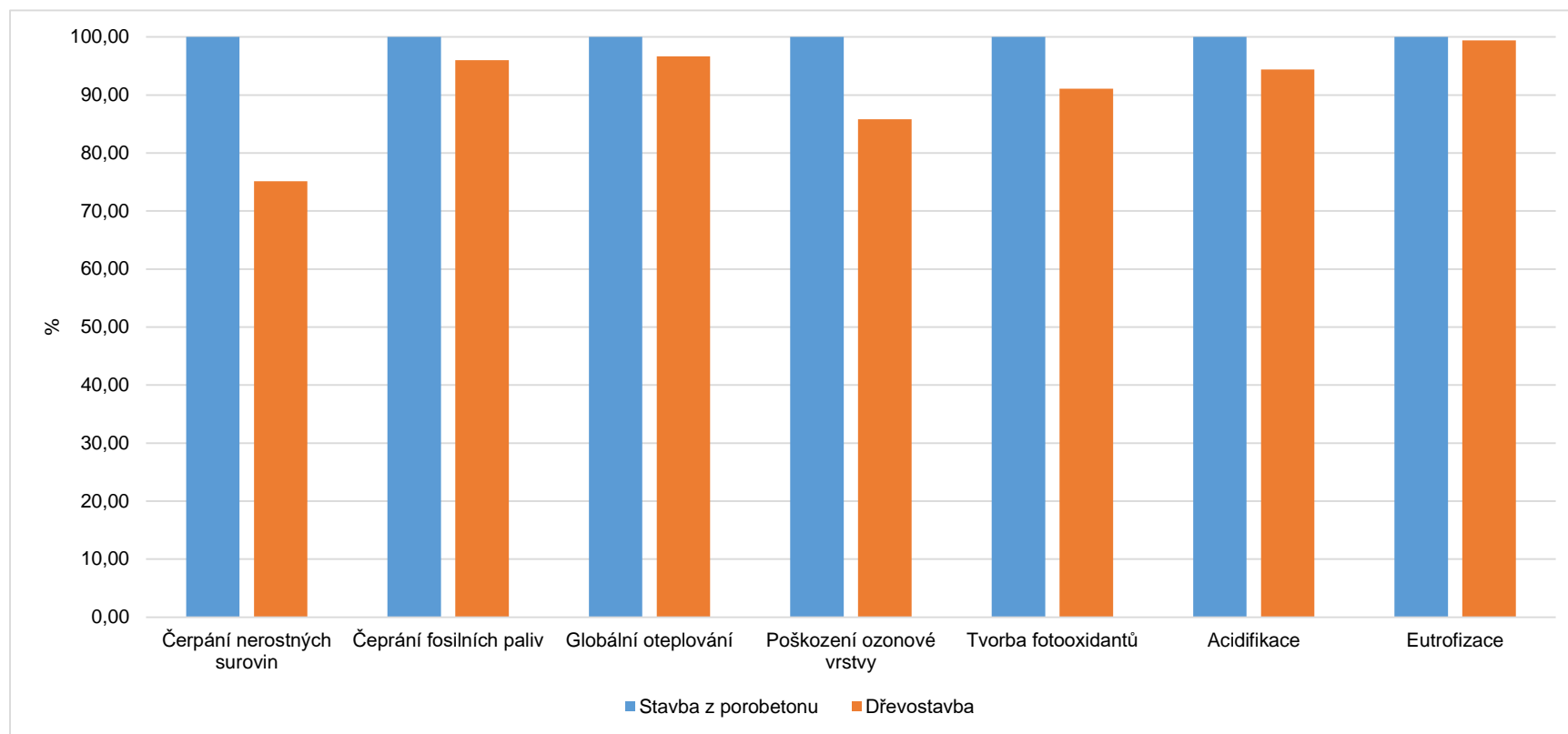


No.	Item	Consumption	Unit	Emission factor	Unit	Emission (t CO <sub>2</sub> e)
1.	Diesel	92,698	l	0.00266	t CO <sub>2</sub> e / l	246.6
2.	Electricity	693	MWh	0.640	t CO <sub>2</sub> e / MWh	327.3
3.	Chemicals	9,000	l/kg	0.0045	t CO <sub>2</sub> e / l	41.0
4.	Fencing	8.4	tonne	0.87	t CO <sub>2</sub> e / t	7.3
	Total					622.2

On the same area of the forest is carbon sequestration 1,897,500 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. This means that **carbon sequestration is 3,050 times higher than annual carbon production.**



## Life cycle assessment classic – wooden building





## Sustainability indicators

### Independence of non-renewables

Carbon footprint

Resource productivity

Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption

Resource use of the bioeconomy

Indirect land use/ embodied land for agriculture and forestry products

Recycling rate for paper and wood products

Wood consumption

Raw material consumption

Production of goods and services in total FWC and by sub-sector

Use of wood in total FWC and by sub-sector

Cascading use of biomass

Use of permanent materials

Trade in wood

Cost-competitiveness of biofuels compared with non-renewable energy sources

Net energy balance

Wood energy

### Sustainable resource management

Red List Index

Natural Resource Index

Forest area

Forests under management plan

Protected forests

Threatened forest species

Age structure and/or diameter distribution

Increment and fellings

Roundwood

Growing stock

Forest fragmentation

Tree species composition

Regeneration

Naturalness

Deadwood

Common forest bird species

Value of marketed services on forest and other wooded land

Recreation in forests

Impacts on human wellbeing

Urban forestry and human health

Trends in forest land degradation

Illegal logging and associated trade

Woody bioenergy feedstocks supplied in accordance with EUTR



### Climate change adaptation & mitigation

GHG balance

Resource and materials efficiency

Forest-related carbon stocks

Forest damage

Deposition and concentration of air pollutants on forest and other wooded land

Defoliation

Soil condition

Introduced tree species

Economic impacts of invasive species

Genetic resources

Genetically modified trees

Protective forests

### Food security

Blue water footprint of wood products

Water use in total FWC and by sub-sectors

Value and quantity of marketed non-wood goods from forest and other wooded land



## Competitiveness & jobs

Employment in the total bioeconomy and its sectors, and the contribution of the bioeconomy to total regional employment

Eco-innovation index

Forest holdings

Contribution of forest sector to GDP

Forest sector workforce

Education time in total FWC & Training expenditure as % of turnover in total FWC

Quality of employment in total FWC

Occupational safety and health

Production & employment in wood-working, manufacture of pulp, paper & paper-board, converting, printing

Renewable energy jobs

Innovation – new products in total FWC and by sub-sector

Growth of specific bio-based technologies, processes or products

Use and development of biotechnology in the bioeconomy

Development of advanced biorefinery technologies for the production of energy and materials

Research into technical and organisational aspects of new bioeconomy initiatives

Development of environment-related technologies, % all technologies

Patents on resource efficiency technologies

Share of biofuel industry that is part of the bioeconomy in terms of GDP, employment, turnover

Share of chemical industry that is part of the bioeconomy in terms of GDP, employment, turnover



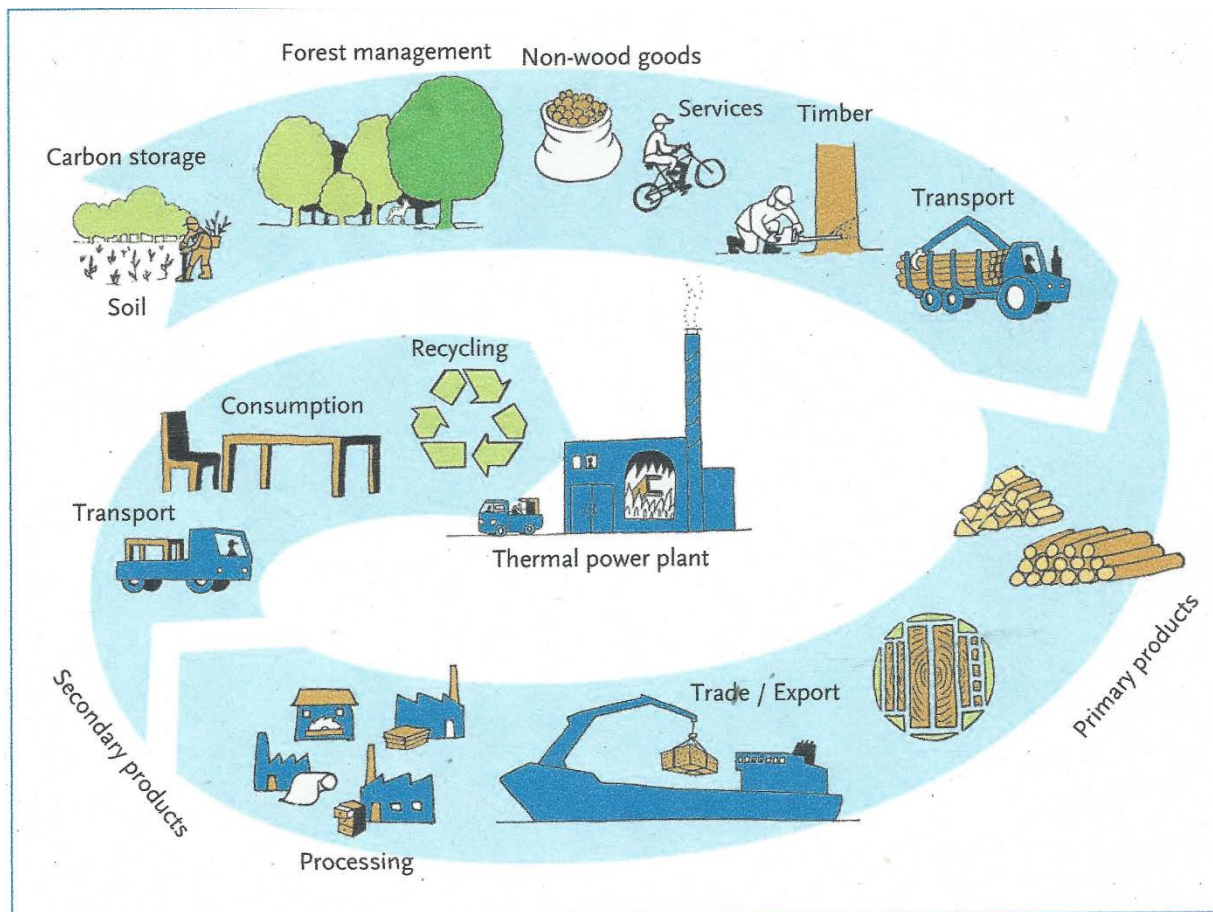
## 4. Strategy, expected directions of development

EU dokument Innovating for Sustainable Growth: A Bioeconomy for Europe (2012):

The EU has a total forest area of approximately 177 million ha (around 40 % of the EU territory), of which 130 million ha are available for wood supply and the production of non-wood goods and services (cork, resins, berries, mushroom, hunting for example).



## Forest based sector value chain



## Priorities

- Supporting our rural and urban communities
- Fostering the competitiveness and sustainability of the EU's Forestbased Industries, bio-energy and the wider green economy
- Forests in a changing climate
- Protecting forests and enhancing ecosystem services
- What forests do we have and how are they changing?
- New and innovative forestry and added-value products
- Working together to coherently manage and better understand our forests
- Forests from a global perspective



## Prioritise investments in

- modernising forestry technologies
- optimising the sector's contribution to the bio-economy
- improving the resilience, environmental value and mitigation potential of forest ecosystems achieving nature and biodiversity objectives
- adapting to climate change
- conserving genetic resources
- forest protection and information
- creating new wood and agro-forestry systems

## Conclusion

- Forest Policy of the European Union points to the need for **greater recognition of the paradigm of sustainable development** in the functioning of the forestry and wood industry.
- Encouraged to work on a **comprehensive assessment of machinery and technologies used in forestry from the point of view of employment and the impact on the natural and social environment** at join - Forestry and Forest Based Industry



**Thank you for your attention!**

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