

UTILIZACIÓN DE LA MADERA DE CHOPO: PRESENTE Y FUTURO

UTILIZATION OF POPLAR WOOD:
PRESENT AND FUTURE

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- Population: ≈ 258000
- Over 70000 students
- 650 cafes
- 475 restaurants
- 250 different sorts of beer



The Manhattan of the Middle Ages



POPLAR / CHOPA ?

Chopo - álamo temblón - sauce (Salicaceae) Poplar – aspen – willow

Híbridos (hybrids) – clones – bosques plantados (planted forest) – árbol pionero (pioneer tree)

International Poplar Commission (FAO - IPC) Comisión Internacional del Alamo

WP 4 Sustainable Livelihoods, Land-use Products and Bioenergy

Pro-Populus, the “European poplar association”



WOODY CROPS 2018

International Short Rotation Woody Crops Conference, July 23-25, 2018 in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, USA.



4TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON PLANTED FORESTS
Beijing, China, 23 | 27 October, 2018



Seventh International Poplar Symposium

New bioeconomies: exploring the potential role of Salicaceae

October 28 – November 4, 2018. Buenos Aires, Argentina



PARTE 1: RECURSOS DE MADERA: NUEVAS SOLUCIONES PARA EL SECTOR FORESTAL EN UN CONTEXTO SOCIOECONÓMICO

PART 1: WOOD RESOURCE

NEW SOLUTIONS FOR THE FOREST-BASED SECTOR IN A SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONTEXT



INTRODUCCIÓN INTRODUCTION

- Potencial de la gestión **forestal**. Potential of forest production
- Suministro sostenible de **recursos**. Sustainable supply of resources
- La producción de madera es un excelente **servicio ecosistémico**.
Timber production is an excellent ecosystem service
- Uso de materiales y **bioenergía**. Material use and bioenergy use
- Sustitución de materiales **artificiales** (de construcción).
Substitution of man-made (building) materials
- **Servicio de vida** útil e innovación relacionada. Service life performance and related innovation
- Integración y flexibilidad: manejo forestal **multipropósito**.
Integration and flexibility: multipurpose forest management

LA MADERA COMO UN RECURSO RENOVABLE

WOOD AS A RENEWABLE RESOURCE

Formación de madera en los árboles ... ¿máximo potencial?

Wood formation in trees... maximum potential?

Disponible de: Available from:

- Bosque (semi) natural: manejo multifuncional (Semi-)natural forest: multifunctional management
- Bosque plantado (plantaciones): chopo,... Planted forest (plantations): poplar,...
- Tierras cultivables: cultivos madereros, agroforestería, cultivos de rotación (Short Rotation Coppice) SRC.... Arable land: timber farming, agroforestry, SRC

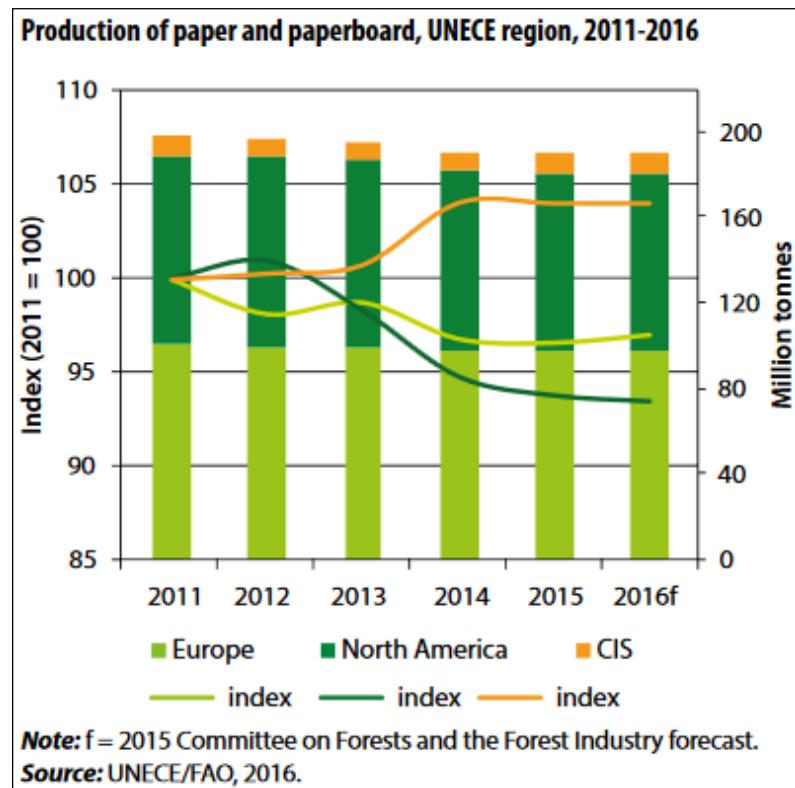
Tendencias: Trends:

- Servicios del ecosistema. Ecosystem services
- Más maderas duras. More hardwoods
- Más bosques excluidos de la producción de madera.
More forests excluded from wood production

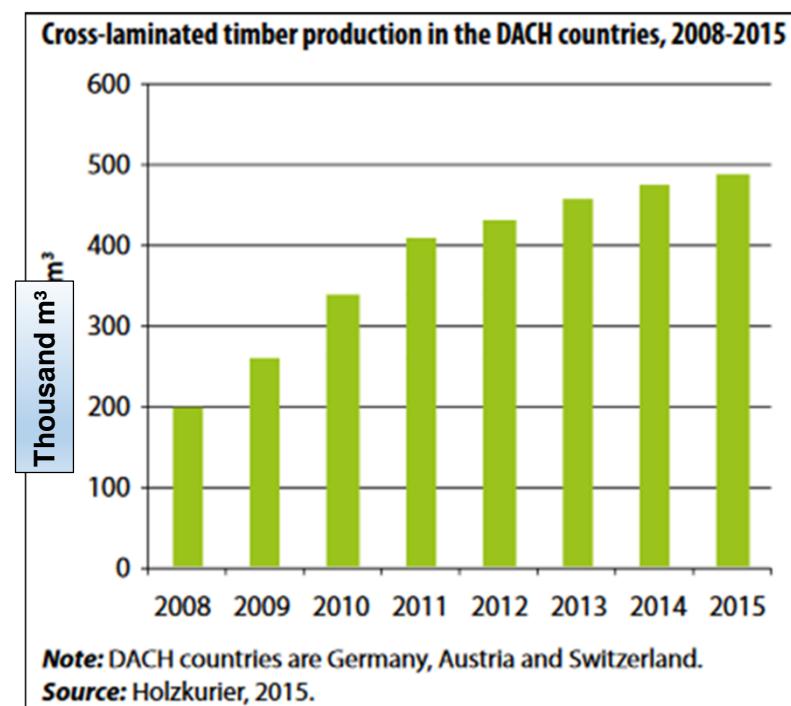
PRODUCCION DE MADERA: PAPEL VERSUS CLT

WOOD PRODUCTION: PAPER VERSUS CLT

Papel y cartón



Madera laminada cruzada

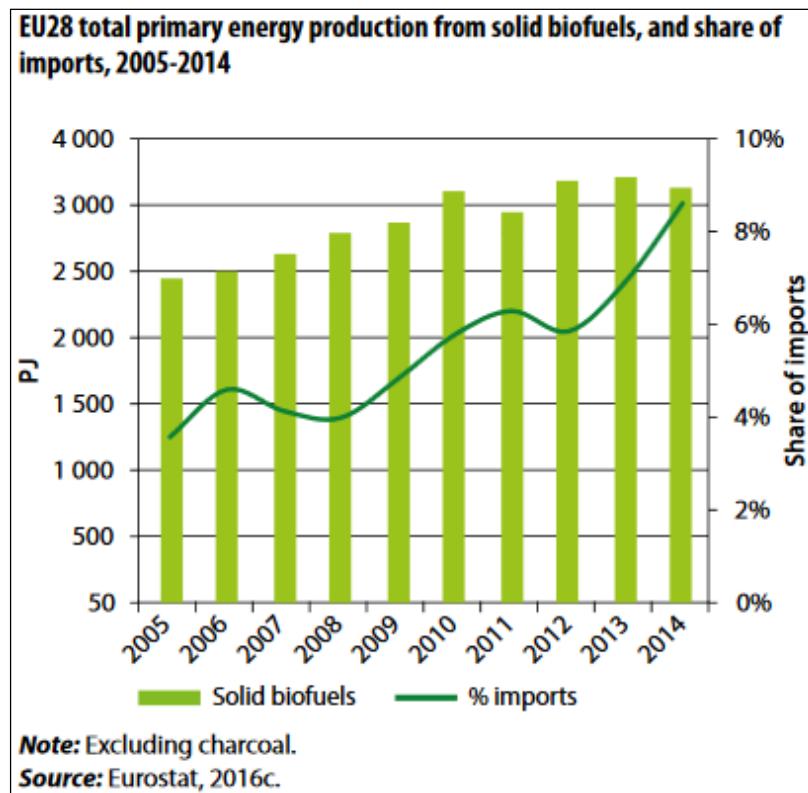


UNECE/FAO Forest Products Annual Market Review, 2015-2016

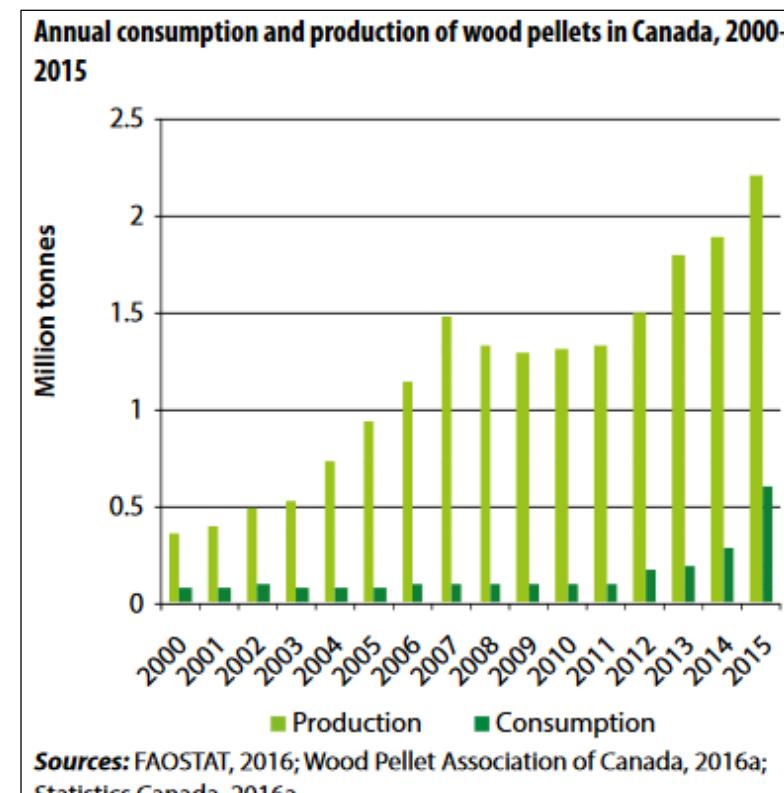
EXPORTACIÓN / IMPORTACIÓN DE BIOMASA DE ENERGÍA

EXPORT/IMPORT OF BIOMASS FOR ENERGY

BIOCOMBUSTIBLES SÓLIDOS – EU28



PELLETS DE MADERA - CANADA

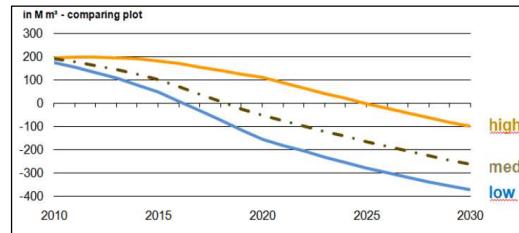


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DISPONIBILIDAD DE MADERA WOOD AVAILABILITY

¿Déficit antes de 2030?

Deficit before 2030?
Perfect storm?



Mantau, EUWood 2010

Sostenibilidad de la cadena de la industria forestal-maderera.

Sustainability of the forestry-wood industry chain

Enlace con la gestión forestal (eco) sistémica ... buen gobernanza

Link with (eco)systemic forestry management... good governance

Interacción perdida forestal - industria de la madera.

Lost interaction forestry – wood industry

Bosque como parte de la naturaleza - enfoque ecológico.

Forest as part of nature – ecological approach

Biodiversidad aumentada por sistemas abiertos (tierra arbustiva ...)

Biodiversity increased by open systems (shrub land...)

La silvicultura "cercana a la naturaleza" versus el cultivo intensivo de árboles de la misma edad

"close-to-nature" forestry versus intensive even-aged tree farming

CONTEXTO MUNDIAL WORLDWIDE CONTEXT

¿Nos movemos de 3.5 a > 10 mil millones de m³
consumo de madera por año para 2050?

Do we move from 3,5 to > 10 billion m³
wood consumption per year by 2050 ?

Parámetros críticos: Critical parameters:

Nivel de vida y demografía Standard of living & demographics

El consumo de madera de 0.6 m³ por persona por año ... ¿aumentará?

Consumption of 0.6 m³ wood per person per year... will increase?

Se proyecta que la población mundial alcanzará los 9.8 mil millones en 2050 y 11.2 mil millones en 2100, dice la ONU
World population projected to reach 9.8 billion in 2050, and 11.2 billion in 2100 – says UN

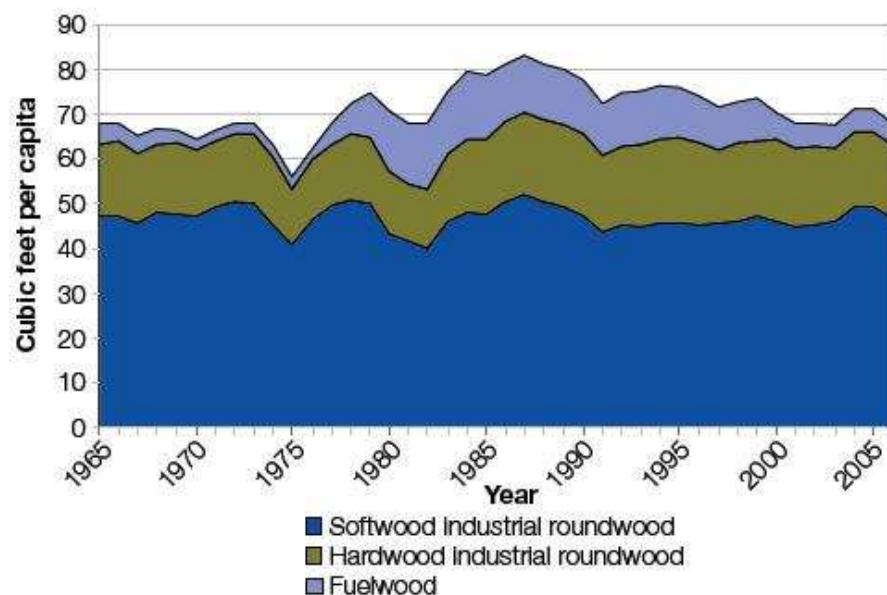
Sostenibilidad basada en recursos renovables Sustainability based on renewable resources

La madera como recurso sostenible que lleva a una mayor demanda / uso ...

Wood as a sustainable resource leading to increased demand/use...

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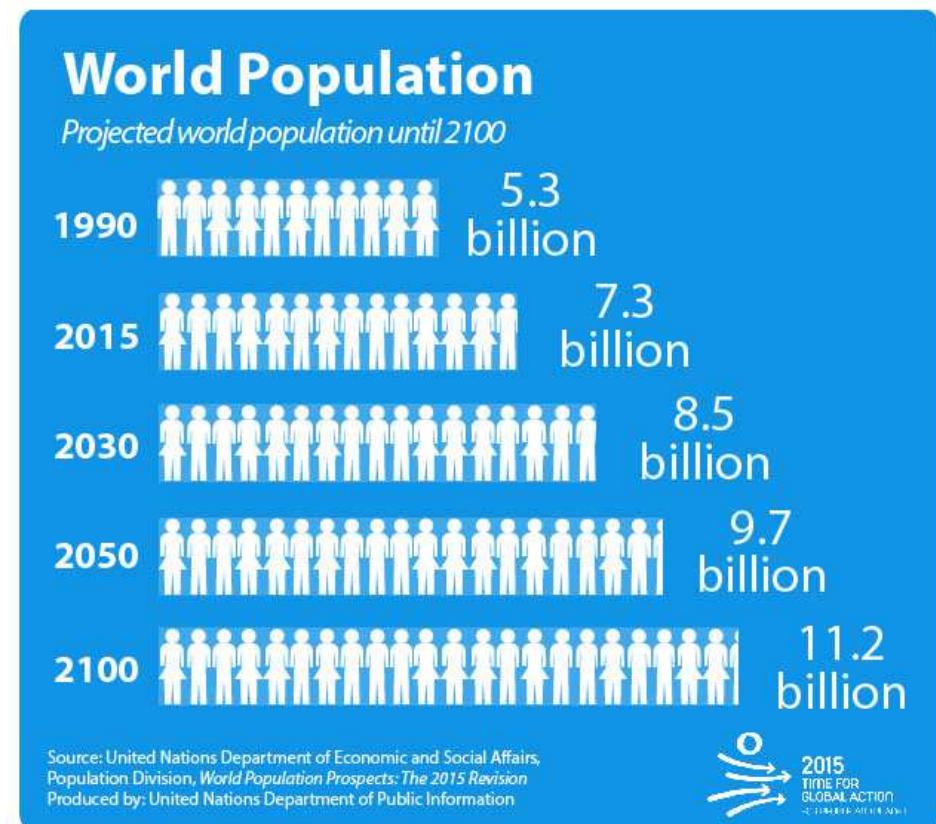
Per capita U.S. wood and paper product consumption—subdivided into softwood, hardwood, and fuelwood in roundwood equivalents—1965–2006 (each line is added to the line below).



Sources: USDA Forest Service; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census

<https://www.fs.fed.us/research/sustain/criteria-indicators/indicators/indicator-628.php>

$$1 \text{ cubic foot} = 0.0283 \text{ cubic meters}$$
$$70 \text{ ft}^3 = 2 \text{ m}^3$$



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Wood as a sustainable resource leading to increased demand /use...

- **Renovable** Renewable
- **Energía** incorporada Embodied energy
- Impacto de **carbon** Carbon impact
- **Certificación** forestal Forest certification
- La madera es buena para la **salud**. Wood is good for your health
- La madera interesante como opción para la tendencia de la petroquímica a la **biotecnología**. Wood interesting as option for trend from petrochemistry to biotechnology
- Madera para **sustituir** materiales hechos por el hombre ... Wood to substitute man-made materials...

SUMINISTRO Y DEMANDA DE PRODUCTOS FORESTALES

SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOREST PRODUCTS

Bosque plantado (plantaciones)

Natural forest		Planted forest			Non-forest
Primary	Modified natural forests	Semi-natural forests		Plantations	Trees outside forest (TOF)
		Assisted natural regeneration	Planted component	Productive	
Forest of native species, where there are no clearly visible indications of human activity and ecological processes are not significantly disturbed	Forest of naturally regenerated native species, where there are clearly visible indications of human activity	Intensive silvicultural management, e.g. weeding, fertilizing, thinning, selective logging	Forest of native species, established through planting, seeding, coppice	Forest of primarily introduced and native species, established through planting or seeding mainly for production of wood or non-wood products	Smaller than 0.5 ha; tree cover in agricultural land (e.g. agroforestry), trees in urban environments, and scattered along roads and in landscapes

Source: Carle and Holmgren, 2008, modified and illustrated.

LA MADERA Y UN ENFOQUE ECO-TECNOLOGICO

WOOD AND AN ECO-TECHNO APPROACH

A: Equilibrio entre el uso de material y energía

Balance between material and energy use

B: Integración vertical y uso en cascada

Vertical integration and cascade use

C: Calidad del árbol y calidad de la madera

Tree quality and wood quality

D: Impacto en la vida útil

Service life impact

EQUILIBRIO ENTRE EL USO DE MATERIAL Y ENERGÍA

BALANCE BETWEEN MATERIAL AND ENERGY USE

Energía a partir de **biomasa** leñosa tanto para uso residencial como industrial ...

Energy from woody biomass both for residential and industrial use...

Combustión: Combustion:

leña, pellets,... firewood, pellets,...



Conversión termoquímica: Thermochemical conversion:

carbón vegetal, pirólisis, gasificación,... charcoal, pyrolysis, gasification,...



Biorrefinerías y procesos bioquímicos: Biorefineries and biochemical processes:

biocombustibles líquidos, química blanca,... liquid biofuels, white chemistry,...



Impacto del comercio internacional y de los subsidios.

Impact of international trade and subsidies

→ reemplazar / sustituir combustibles fósiles ... (importación de biomasa de la UE, por ejemplo, Canadá) replacing/substituting fossil fuels... (EU import of biomass, e.g. Canada)

→ madera en mal estado - usar como leña ... (también en zonas tropicales, por ejemplo, DR Congo) spoil quality wood - use as firewood... (also tropics, e.g. DR Congo)

EQUILIBRIO ENTRE EL USO DE MATERIAL Y ENERGÍA

BALANCE BETWEEN MATERIAL AND ENERGY USE

El uso de productos forestales como material es **bajo en energía incorporada**, energía requerida para el procesamiento, transporte, ... pero tiene una alta **energía renovable "integrada"**

Forest products use as a material is low in embodied energy, energy required for processing, transport,...but has a high 'embedded' renewable energy

El uso de materiales es una excelente **alternativa / sustituto** de los materiales hechos por el hombre que requieren mucha más energía para ser producidos

Material use is an excellent alternative /substitute for man-made materials requiring a lot more energy to be produced

La madera también es muy positiva para viviendas que ahorran energía, por ej. **casas pasivas**

Wood is also very positive for energy efficient housing, e.g. passive houses



MATERIALES VERSUS BIOENERGÍA CASO CHOPO / ÁLAMO TEMBLÓN / SAUCE

MATERIALS VERSUS BIOENERGY CASE POPLAR/ASPEN/WILLOW

Chopos y sauces para bioenergía - clones específicos y cultivo / cosecha

Poplars and willows for bioenergy – specific clones and cultivation/harvesting



¿Aplicaciones multipropósito?

Transformación integral de madera o producción específica para bioenergía.

Multipurpose applications? Integrated wood transformation or specific production for bioenergy



VERTICAL INTEGRATION AND CASCADE USE

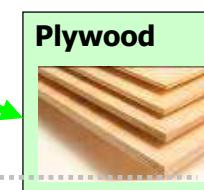
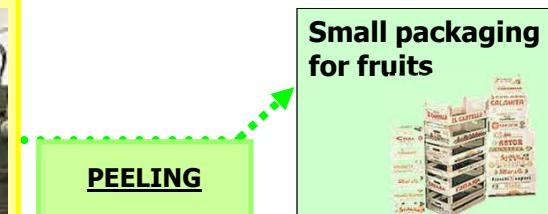
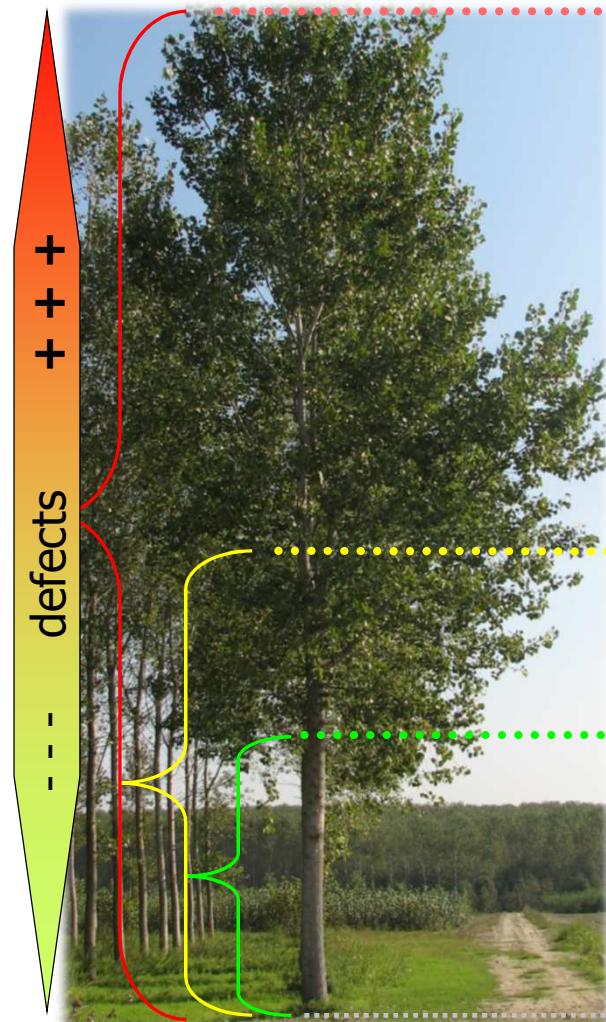
A tree is traditionally subdivided for different transformations: slicing/peeling, sawing, chipping, ... **integration**

Waste is not really generated: **residuals** are used

Recycling and reuse are key elements in the traditional **cascade** approach allowing the production of different wood based panels and paper products

- eminent example of particleboard (chipboard)
- important paper recycling

End of life allows for generation of energy or composting...



Adapted from Fioravanti (2007)

CALIDAD DEL ÁRBOL Y CALIDAD DE LA MADERA

TREE QUALITY AND WOOD QUALITY

Los árboles son **adecuados para los materiales:** Trees are suitable for materials:

- Estética... chapa cortada, parquet, instrumentos musicales.
Aesthetics ... sliced veneer, parquet, music instruments
- Mecánica... madera, productos de madera de ingeniería.
Mechanics... timber, engineered wood products
- Durabilidad... uso exterior, protección de la madera.
Durability... exterior use, wood protection
- Superficie... paneles, papel, embalajes.
Surface... panels, paper, packaging
- Productos químicos... biopolímeros, bloques de construcción de química blanca
Chemicals... biopolymers, white chemistry building blocks

CALIDAD DEL ÁRBOL Y CALIDAD DE LA MADERA

TREE QUALITY AND WOOD QUALITY

La madera tiene activos tecnológicos: Wood has technological assets:

- **Belleza...** muebles Beauty... furniture
- **Compuesto natural multinivel...** construcción, carga portante
Multi-level natural composite... construction, load bearing
- **Química** interesante y abundante Interesting and abundant chemistry
- Fuerza / rigidez **específica** Specific strength/stiffness
- Resistente al **fuego** Fire resistance
- **Renovables ...** Renewable...



Michael Green Tall Wood skyscraper

CALIDAD DEL ÁRBOL Y CALIDAD DE LA MADERA CASO CHOPO

TREE QUALITY AND WOOD QUALITY CASE POPLAR

Considerado crítico para muchos productos de madera de chopo / sauce:

Considered critical for many poplar/willow wood products:

- chapa - madera contrachapada veneer – plywood
- productos de madera de ingeniería (LVL), glulam engineered wood products (LVL), glulam
- madera para la construcción? timber for construction ?
- embalaje (alimentos, transporte,...) packaging (food, transport,...)
- ¿también es importante para la celulosa y la bioenergía? also important for pulp and bio-energy ?



PARTE 2: MAXIMIZACIÓN DEL USO DE LA MADERA DE CHOPO: PRODUCTOS DE MADERA DE INGENIERÍA Y MODIFICACIÓN DE MADERA Y ...

PART 2: MAXIMIZING THE USE OF POPLAR WOOD:
ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS & WOOD MODIFICATION &...

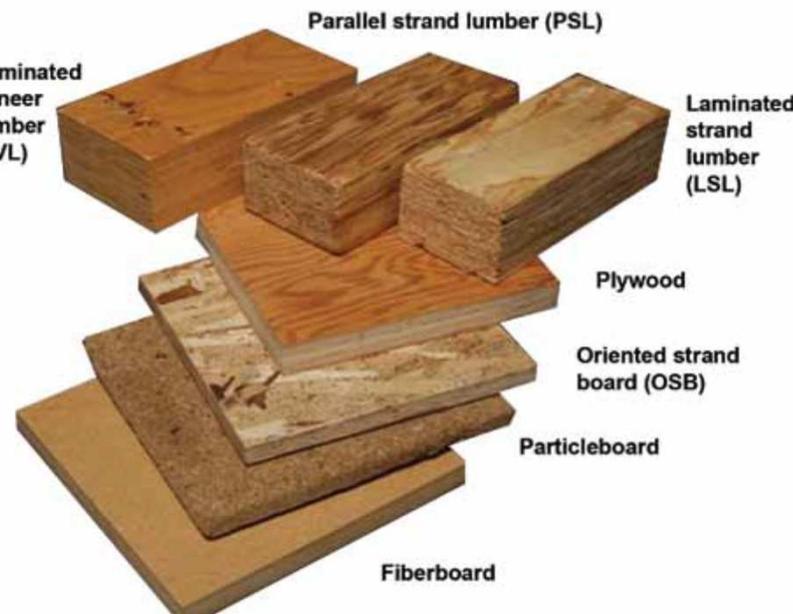


PRODUCTOS DE INGENIERÍA EN MADERA

ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS - EWP

Engineered wood products (EWP) are made from lumber, veneers, strands of wood, or from other small wood elements that are bound together with structural resins to form lumber-like structural products.

Glulam, CLT, Plywood, LVL, LSL, PSL, I-joists, WBP



(Wood handbook, 2010)



PRODUCTOS DE INGENIERÍA EN MADERA

ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS - EWP



What industry is involved...



SONAE
INDUSTRIA



PRODUCTOS A BASE DE MADERA ASERRADA

SAWN WOOD BASED PRODUCTS

MADERA ASERRADA

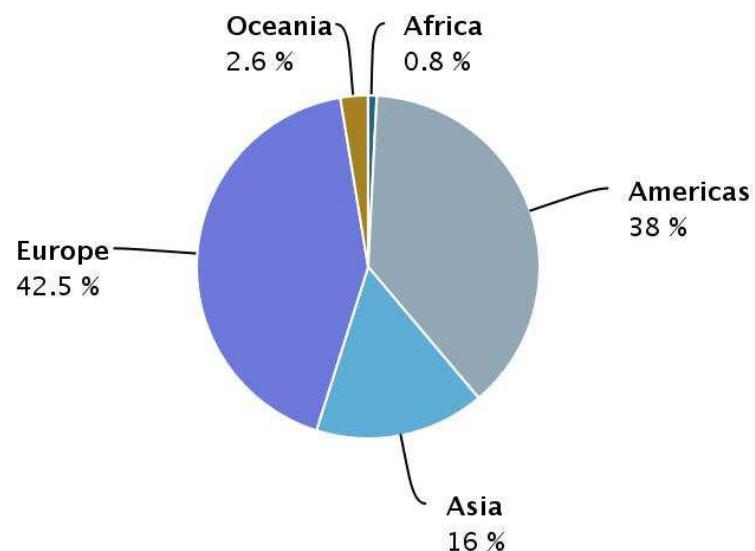
SAWN WOOD - LUMBER - TIMBER



SAWN WOOD - PRODUCTION

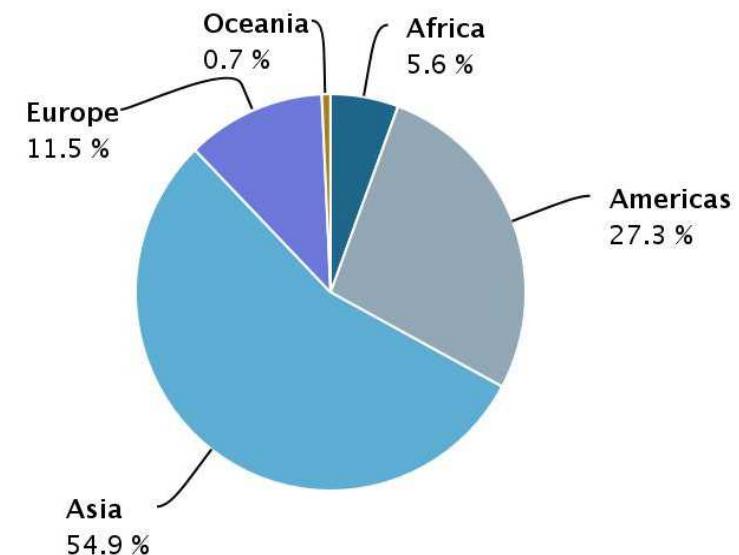
Sawn wood – lumber - timber

coniferous: 312.1 million m³



Sawn wood – lumber - timber

non-coniferous: 126.6 million m³



SAWN WOOD - POPLAR, ASPEN...

Sawn wood – lumber - timber

CEWPPW2 (*Kesteloot & Hudel*)



SAWN WOOD - POPLAR, ASPEN...

Sawn wood – lumber - timber

CEWPPW2 (*Fortin et al.*)



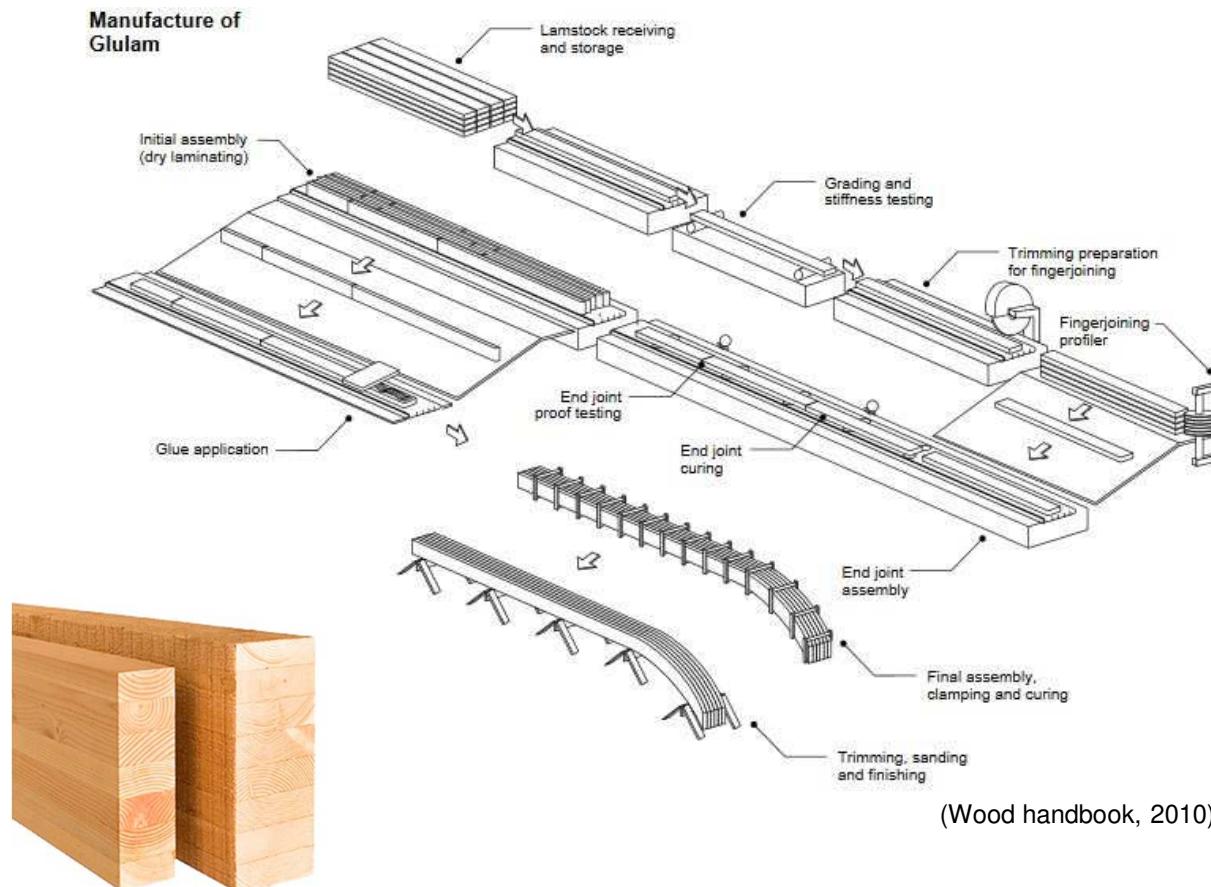
Natural grade flooring



Table top with character marks

GLULAM LA MADERA LAMINADA ENCOLADA (MLE) & CLT (MADERAS LAMINADAS CRUZADAS)

GLULAM & CLT (CROSS LAMINATED TIMBER)



CLT – CROSS LAMINATED TIMBER



(<http://www.greenspec.co.uk>)



(<http://www.buildingsecrets.be>)

NLT – NAIL LAMINATED TIMBER



GLULAM & CLT - PRODUCTION

GLT (Glulam)

5 million m³ (2.7 Europa, 2.0 Asia, 0.3 North America)

GLT production in Europe is heading for 4 million m³

CLT (Cross laminated timber)

0.6 million m³

About 90% of CLT production worldwide is located in Europe, with a total production volume of 560 thousand m³ in 2014.

PRODUCTOS A BASE DE CHAPA VENEER BASED PRODUCTS

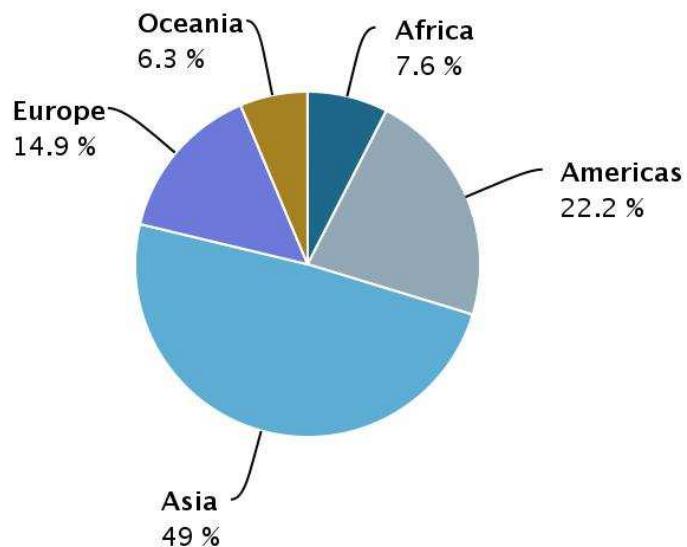
CHAPA VENEER



VENEER - PRODUCTION

Veneer

13.5 million m³

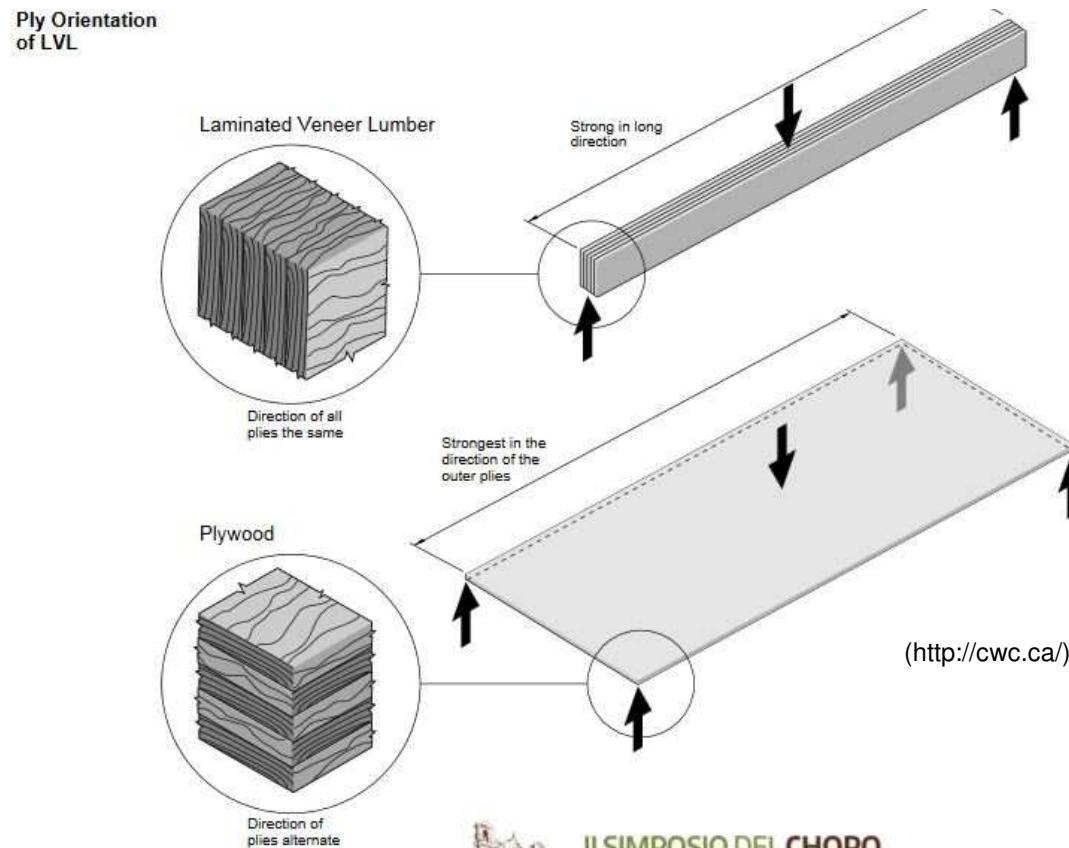


MADERA CONTRACHAPADA & LVL - MADERA DE CHAPA LAMINADA



MADERA CONTRACHAPADA & LVL - MADERA DE CHAPA LAMINADA

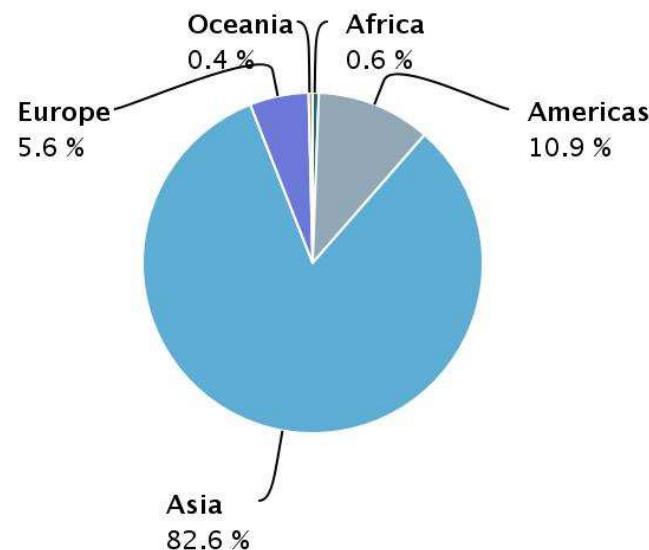
PLYWOOD & LVL - LAMINATED VENEER LUMBER



PLYWOOD - PRODUCTION

Plywood

147.6 million m³



PLYWOOD - POPLAR, ASPEN,...

Plywood

CEWPPW2 (*Negro et al.*)



Perforated panels



Cylindrical bass traps

LVL - PRODUCTION

4.6 million m³ (estimated)

1.7 million m³ in North America

Estimated consumption indicate a 4.0 million m³

Pollmeier (Germany) commenced production of beech LVL in 2014 and produces approx. 150.000–180.000 m³ per year

PRODUCTOS A BASE DE PARTÍCULAS

PARTICLE BASED PRODUCTS

TABLERO DE PARTICULAS - Aglomerado y OSB (Oriented Strand Board)

PARTICLEBOARD – Chipboard & OSB (Oriented Strand Board)



(<http://www.unilinpanels.com>)



(<http://www.i-panspa.com/en/>)



(<http://www.apawood.org>)

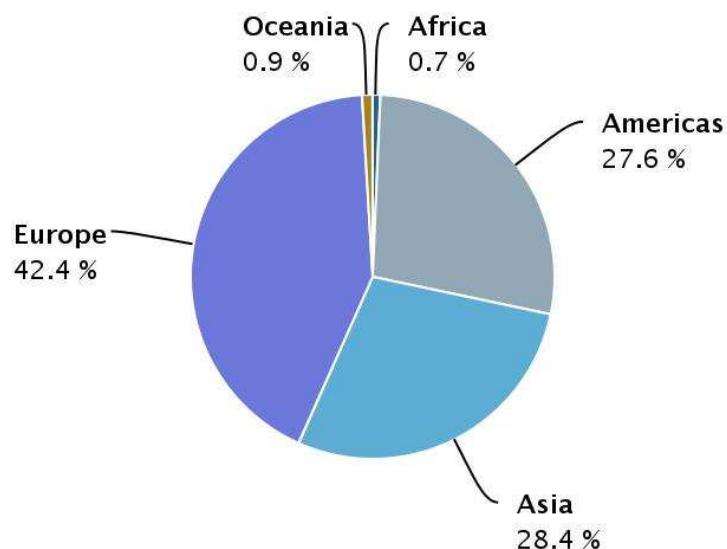


(<http://www.norbord.nl>)

PARTICLEBOARD - PRODUCTION

Particleboard

110.9 million m³



ESTRUCTURAL LUMBER COMPUUESTO STRUCTURAL COMPOSITE LUMBER - SCL

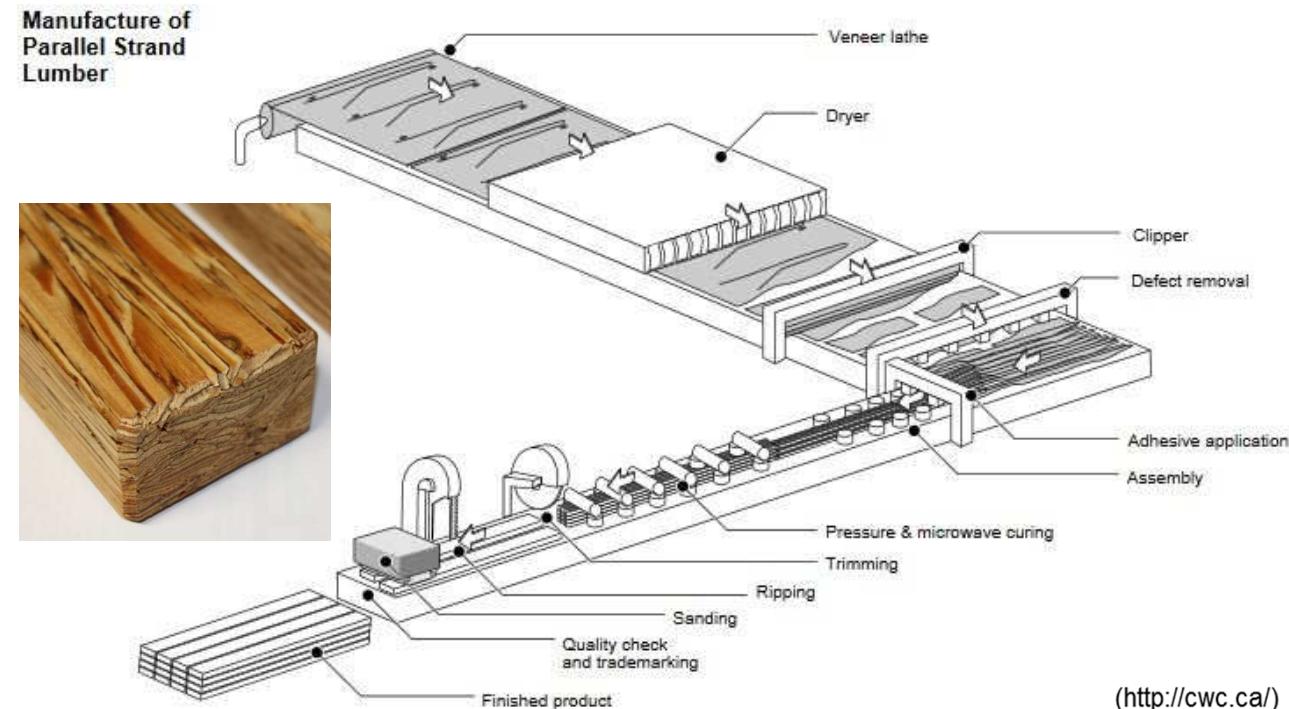
LSL – LAMINATED STRAND LUMBER



OSL – ORIENTED STRAND LUMBER



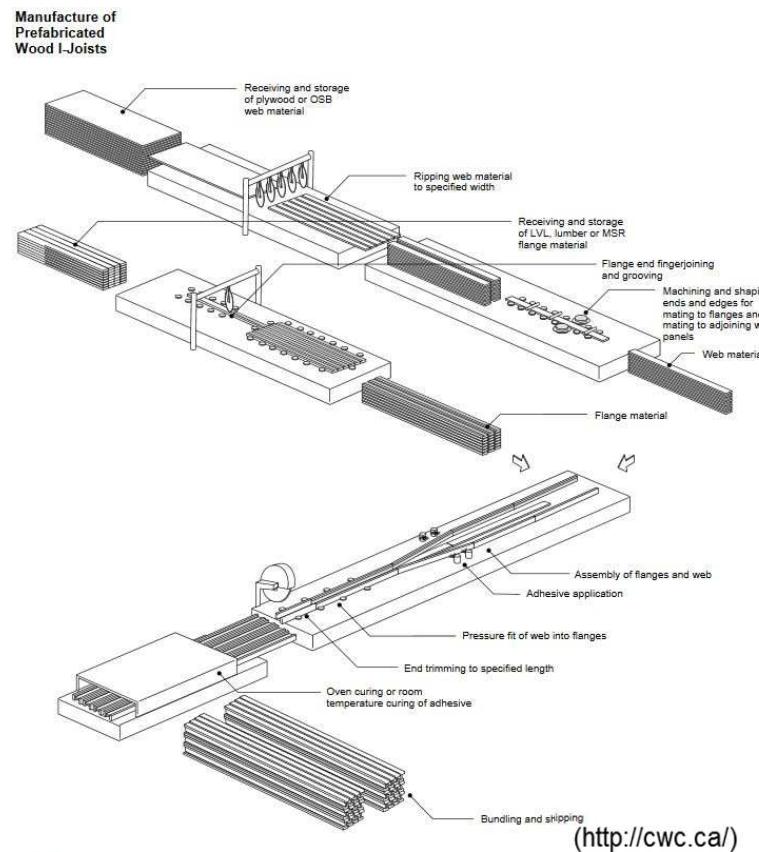
PSL – PARALLEL STRAND LUMBER



PREFABRICATED WOOD I-JOIST



(<http://www.apawood.org>)



PRODUCTOS A BASE DE FIBRA

FIBER BASED PRODUCTS

TABLERAS DE FIBRA

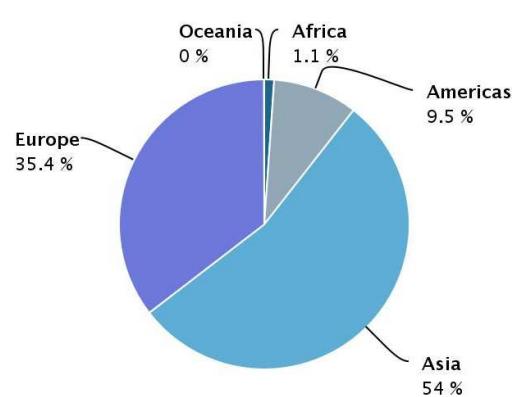
FIBERBOARD



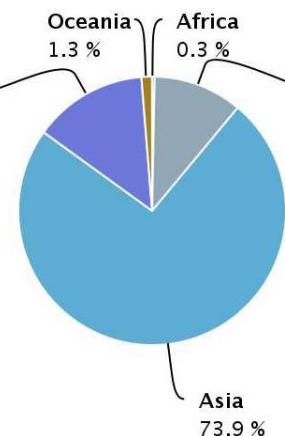
FIBERBOARD - PRODUCTION

Fiberboard

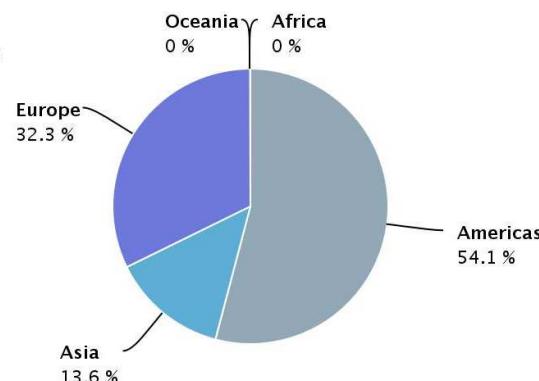
Hardboard: 12.3



MDF: 93.5



Insulation board: 9.9 million m³



PRODUCTOS DE PARTICULAS Y FIBRAS DE MADERA HÍBRIDAS

HYBRID WOOD-FIBER & PARTICLE PRODUCTS

PRODUCTOS DE CEMENTO DE MADERA (COMPUESTOS DE MADERA LIGADOS CON MINERALES)

WOOD-CEMENT PRODUCTS (MINERAL-BONDED WOOD COMPOSITES)

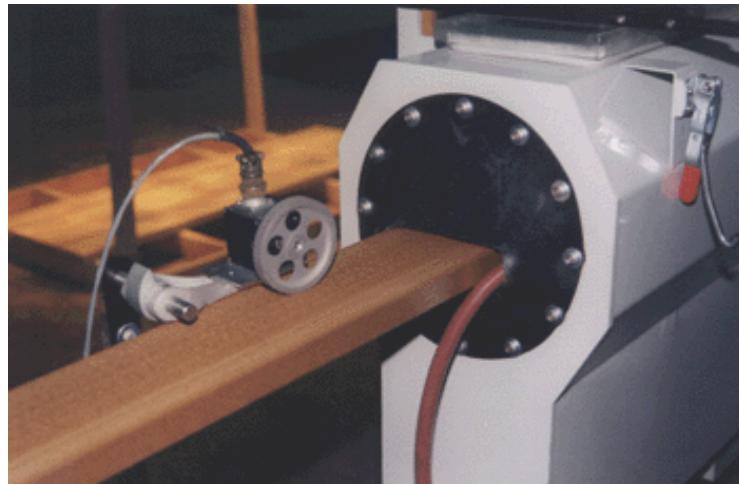


(<http://www.stonerex.ee>)

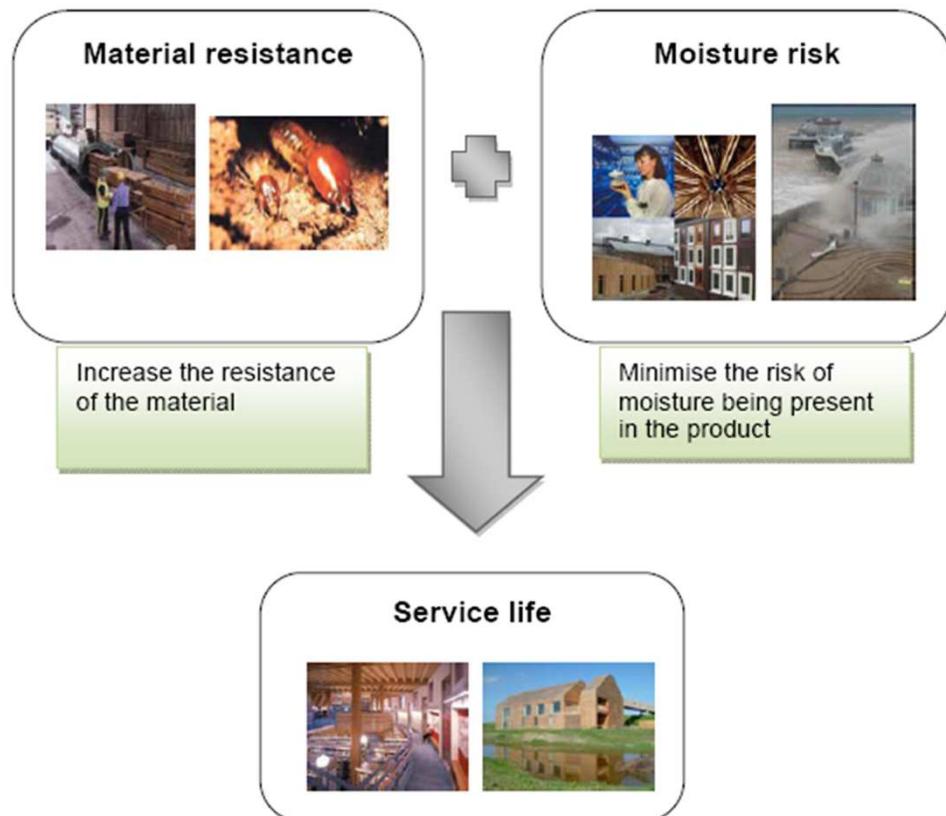


(<http://www.savolit.co.uk/>)

COMPUESTOS DE POLIMERO Y DE MADERA WPC – WOOD POLYMER COMPOSITES



PRODUCTOS DE MADERA TRATADOS TREATED WOOD PRODUCTS



CONSERVACION DE MADERA WOOD PRESERVATION



International Research Group on Wood Protection

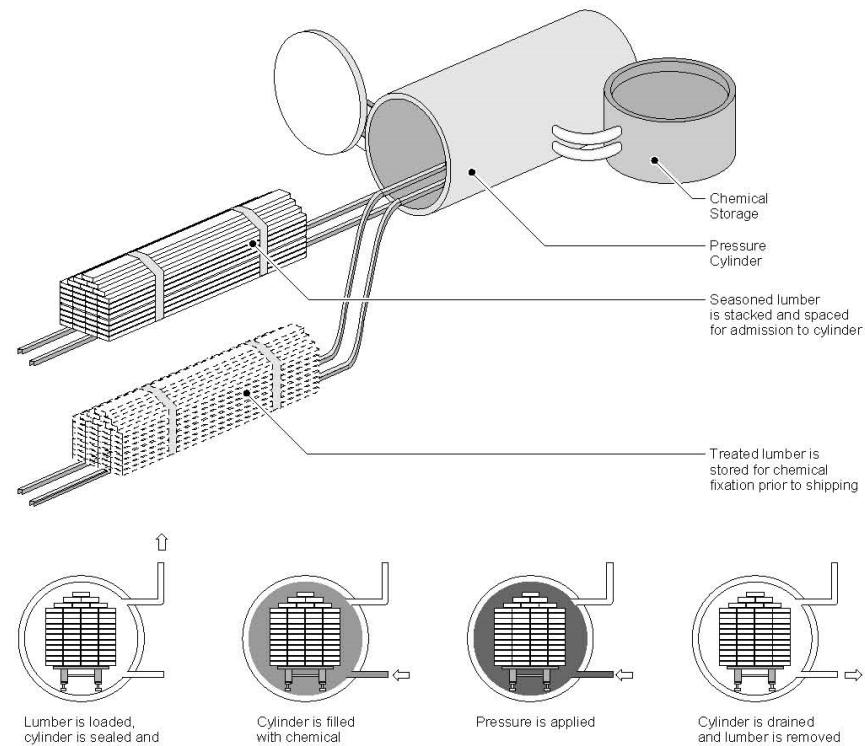


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WOOD PRESERVATION

- Toxic threshold values
- Biocides
- Related to use classes
- Traditional focus on UC 4



(<http://cwc.ca/>)



WOOD PRESERVATION

What industry is involved...



MODIFICACION DE MADERA WOOD MODIFICATION



Ninth European Conference on Wood Modification

The 9th European Conference on Wood Modification

September 17-18th 2018, Arnhem, the Netherlands



FPS COST Action FP1407 Understanding wood modification through an integrated scientific and environmental impact approach (ModWoodLife)



WOOD MODIFICATION

- Brand names
- 'New' wood species
- Biological durability?
- Other properties
 - dimensional stability
 - weathering performance



WOOD MODIFICATION

- Thermally modified timber (TMT)
- Chemical modification: acetylation, furfurylation,...
- Hydrophobation
- Others...



WOOD MODIFICATION

- Non-biocidal systems
- Focus on Use Class 3



WOOD MODIFICATION

What industry is involved...

ThermoWood®



PLATOWOOD®



accoya™
the strength within
ACCSYS
TECHNOLOGIES

SPBL
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The Ghent University logo features a stylized building icon above the text 'GHENT UNIVERSITY'.

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The belmadur Technology logo features a stylized tree icon next to the brand name 'belmadur' and the word 'Technology'.

The BASF logo consists of a green square with a white diamond icon and the text 'BASF' and 'The Chemical Company'.

The UGent WOODLAB logo features a stylized wood grain icon next to the text 'UGent' and 'WOODLAB'.

TREATED WOOD - POPLAR, ASPEN,...

TMT (thermally modified timber)

CEWPPW2 (*De Boever et al.*)



Window joinery



Cladding

GRACIAS (THANK YOU)
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