

EU Forest-based Industries: a Blueprint to unleash their economic and societal potential

Today the Commission issued a blueprint to further develop the EU's significant forest-based industries, indicating activities that can be undertaken to help this sector fulfil its potential to substantially contribute to our goal of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth by 2020.

The Blueprint describes the EU's wood-processing and related industries and the challenges they face - including global competition, raw-material supplies; environmental, renewable energy and climate policy targets; educational needs, logistics and an ageing workforce – and describes how to overcome these challenges. The Blueprint was issued in conjunction with a new EU Forest Strategy: for forests and the forest-based sector.

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