

Action Programme

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Industry's Vision & Project's Main Conclusions

VISION:

• By 2010, wood will be Europe's leading material in building system solutions and high-quality home and office furnishing.

MAIN CONCLUSIONS:

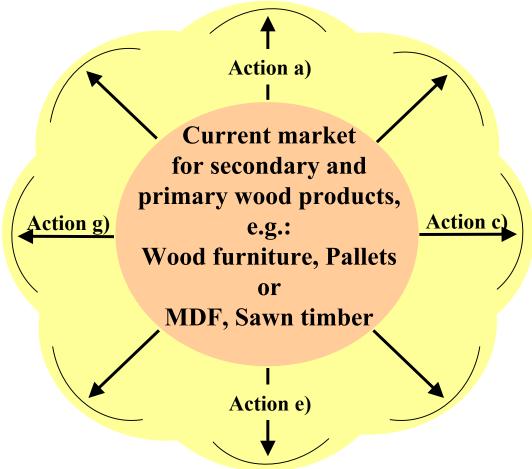
- Base case demand forecast to 2010 unsatisfactory; growth 1% per year.
- Stronger cooperation within the European woodworking industry necessary to change the bleak 2010 demand scenario.







Action Programme aims at growing the European market – "increase the whole pie"

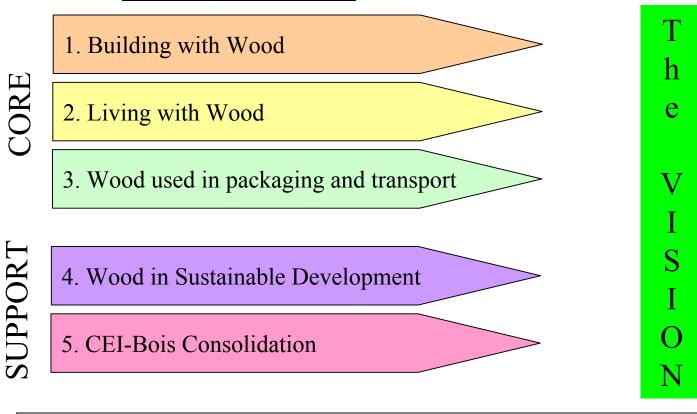






The Action Programme to increase consumption of wood products summarises in five Strategic Processes

Strategic Process



Communication & Dissemination

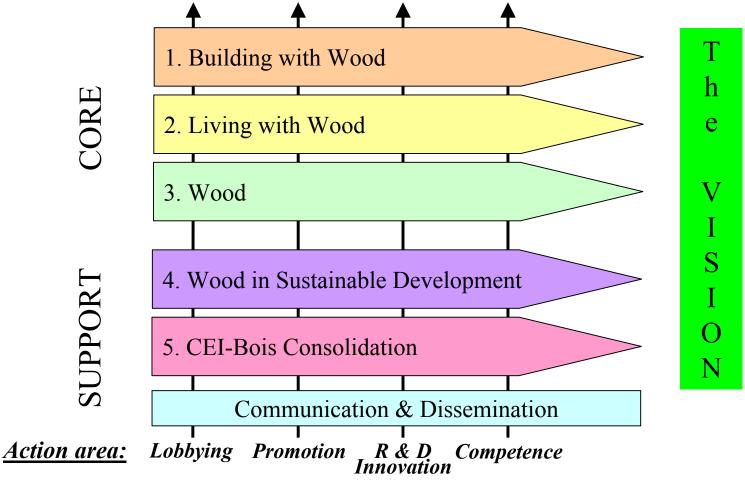








Strategic Processes involve all Action Areas



Base documentation contains 100+ suggestions to actions by action area.







CEI-Bois

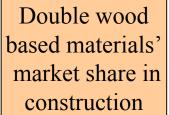


Goal by 2010

1. Building with Wood

Main Actions / Features:

- a) Facilitate changes needed through the whole construction and wood supply chains to increase the use of wood/wood-based products by removing limitations to their use and eliminating Institutional, Technical, Economical and Perceptional barriers.
- b) Define European building system and facilitate "inter-changeability" / modularity of building components through standardisation process.
- c) Develop planning toolboxes, e.g. CADCAM, and web sites to share information, especially targeted for European situation.
- d) Provide relevant industrial and non-industrial codes & standards if not already available.
- e) Address the needs of non-housing applications (i.e. industrial, commercial, heavy structures, etc.).
- f) Create harmonized standards for EWP by fast-tracking process to ensure the smooth introduction of innovative wood products into the construction chain.
- g) Remove Institutional, Technical, Economical and Perceptional barriers.
- h) Eliminate regulatory limitations to the use of wood.
- i) Address and use environmental credentials of wood.
- j) Identify and develop other areas of application of the use of wood in construction.
- k) ...













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2. Living with Wood

Main Actions / Features:

- Communication / Promotion / Product development / Innovation / Design / a) Attitude changing processes.
- Target specific groups, e.g. specifiers, architects, designers, women, youths etc. b)
- Coordinate national campaigns develop promotion campaign boxes exchange c) promotion material.
- Provide relevant industrial and non-industrial codes & standards if not already **d**) available.
- Create harmonized standards to ensure the smooth introduction of innovative e) wood products
- Remove Institutional, Technical, Economical and Perceptional barriers. f)
- Eliminate regulatory limitations to the use of wood. g)
- h) Address and use environmental credentials of wood
- i) Create tools in order to facilitate specifying suitable wood-based products for different interior uses and to facilitate designers' work. Create similar tools for individual customers to visualise wood products in their home environment.
- j)

To achieve a substantial and sustained change in attitudes towards wood & wood products, leading to an increase in wood consumption.







3. Packaging & Transporting with Wood

Main Actions / Features:

- a) Promote standardisation of wood packaging and adequate phytosanitary requirements.
- b) Communicate and do R&D in safety and health aspects of wood & food.
- c) Involve the entire logistic chain in wood-based solutions development.
- d) Remove Perceptional barriers on the suitability of wood for packaging and transport purposes.
- e) Eliminate regulatory limitations to the use of wood for packaging or transport
- f) Address and use environmental credentials of wood.
- g) Create wood-based logistical systems.
- h) Do research in order to create new innovative wood-based packaging materials and packaging systems.
- i) ...

Create conditions for a better and increased use of wood-based products for packaging and transport purposes.

^{*} Action 3a) needs to be carried out first – which requires ability to measure market share - before a specific goal can be developed.









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4. Wood in Sustainable Development

Main Actions / Features:

- a) Take actions to insert enhanced wood utilisation in national and EU-level policies and programmes on sustainable development, environment, climate change and energy.
- b) Generate new information on the environmental profile of wood and sustainability impacts of enhanced wood utilisation *vis-à-vis* alternative materials in order to influence international, EU-level and national policies and regulation.
- c) Forge alliances with NGOs and other pressure groups to promote wood on the basis of environmental and social benchmarking.
- d) Develop and promote appropriate tools to assist wood-working industry to demonstrate and communicate on its social responsibility and environmental performance to consumers, buyers and other stakeholders.

Sufficient knowledge and awareness created among stakeholders on the sustainable development contribution of enhanced use of wood.







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5. CEI-Bois Consolidation

Main Actions / Features:

- a) European Confederation CEI-Bois level:
 - Empower CEI-Bois to be able to monitor and update the Strategy process.
 - Promote the interests of WWI on EU and international levels.
- b) Sub-sectorial level:
 - Deals with product line specific issues, e.g. trade, customs classification, standards etc. Example organisation: EPF.
- c) National level:
 - Develop national, industry endorsed and government supported programmes in accordance with *Building with Wood*, *Living with Wood* and *Wood in Packaging and Transport*.
 - Empower national WWI organisations through strong European-level cooperation
- d) Actions are European-wide coordinated, but nationally implemented.

By 2005; a restructured CEI-Bois which is the owner of an ongoing strategy process for the European woodworking industry; coordinate, monitor & up-date.

A tiered system with clearly defined tasks by organisational level and a flourishing co-operation between all actors.







In addition to the five Strategic Processes....

- Develop ability to measure (value based) market share by segment.
 - Without an accurate understanding of wood and woodbased materials' position vs. competing materials, it is difficult to properly design detailed actions and followup on their impacts.







Foundation for successful implementation

- Overall support from the "Captains of the Industry".
- Identification of Process leaders.
- Significant funding.
- Each Strategic Processes has to be adequately staffed.
- Timing is NOW.
 - Monitor development through intermediary evaluation points.
- Interaction and cooperation:
 - Internally; Industry Associations Unions.
 - Externally; Authorities NGOs Customers.









European Roadmap: Communication & Dissemination

- The communication plan should be divided into three parallel activities:
 - Present and discuss the results of the European Roadmap to the:
 - Industry.
 - National associations and Authorities.
 - European institutions.
 - Start a consensus building process among captains of the industry to get support for proposed actions.
 - Disseminate industry wide Conclusions, Action programme and future results.
 - Use established dissemination system developed by EU + the European Wood Magazine.









...and finally...

• A coordinated effort by the European woodworking industries in line with the *European Roadmap 2010* recommendations will lead to a substantial demand improvement.





...to the sunnier Stretch Goal road.





