

Does the Clean Energy Package come clean on bioenergy – perspectives from the wood-based panel industry

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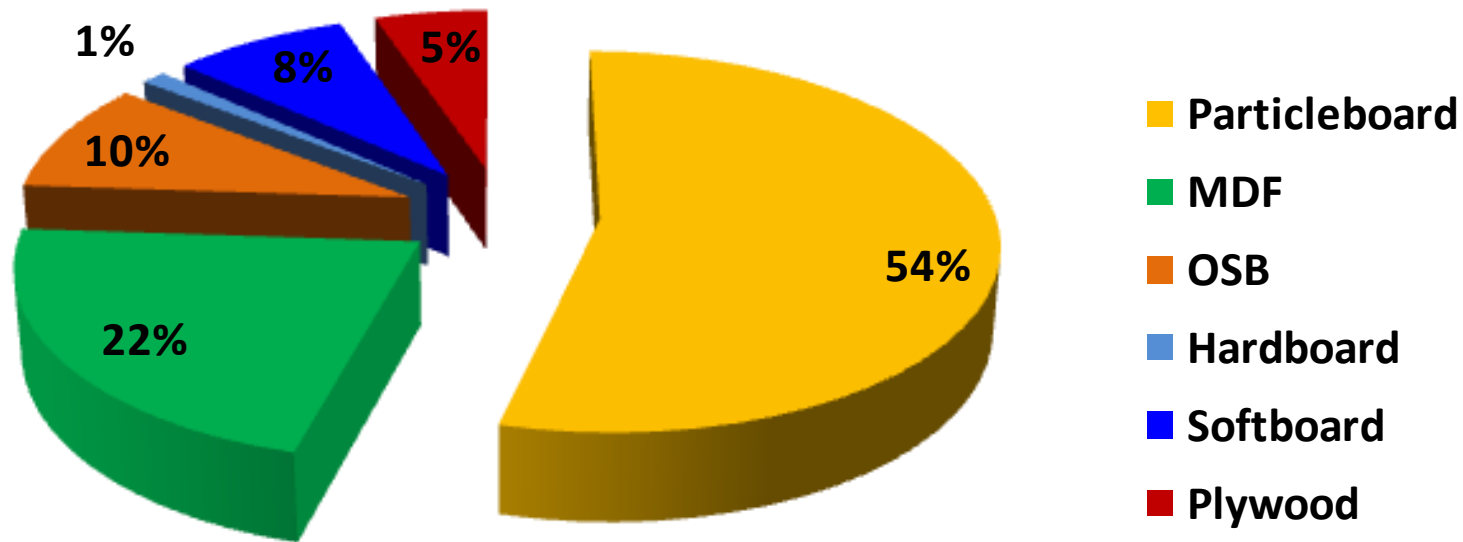


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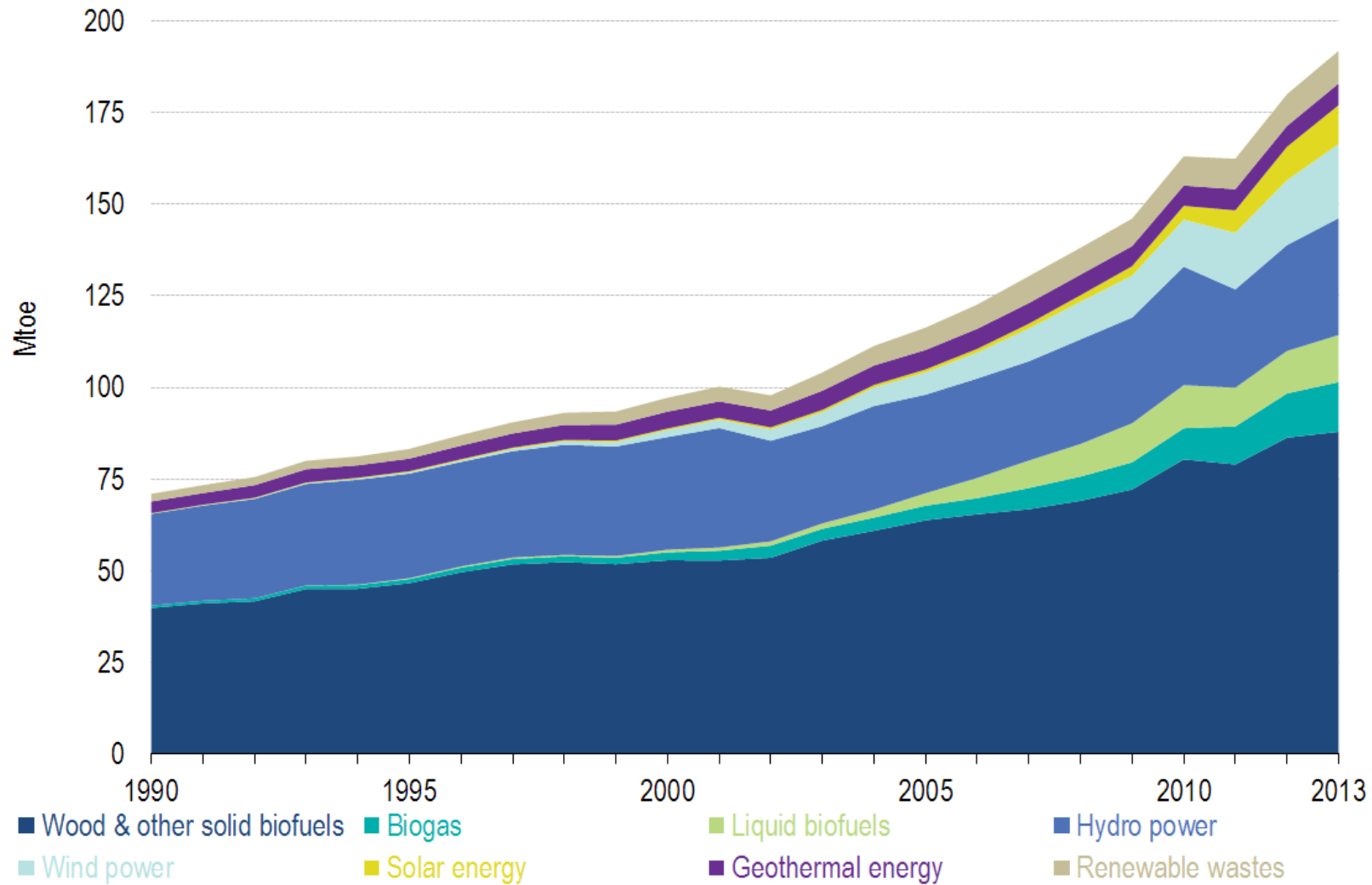
- Members in 25 countries
- All wood-based panels (PB, MDF, OSB, H/SB, PLY)
- 100,000 jobs
- 5,000 companies
- €22 billion turnover

Wood-based panels in Europe* 2015



Total: 54 million m³

EPF's Core Challenge



Renewable energy share 2013 - eurostat

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 - Determine a level that can be sustainably supplied in the long term;
 - Impose criteria taking into account resource efficiency and competition with different wood users;
 - Cap the bioenergy share of fulfilling the RED overall quota;
- Create a level playing field by removing market distortions:
 - Discontinue the financial incentives for woody bioenergy jeopardising the material use of wood;
 - Use correct full carbon accounting for biomass by implementing the rules in the LULUCF decision;
 - Remove multiple accounting in the ILUC Directive;
- Enhance the role of wood in the circular economy:
 - Stimulate wood availability by promoting segregation at source particularly from construction and demolition (selective deconstruction).
 - Increase the recycling targets for wood packaging waste, and introduce targets for wood recycling from other waste streams.
 - Remove legal barriers impeding the material use of urban wood.
 - Cap the total maximum of wood waste going to landfills leading to future ban of wood from landfilling.
- Create a market pull for wood products:
 - Prefer products manufactured from wood in public procurement for building construction;
 - Increase awareness regarding growth in carbon stock or extension of carbon life when using wood products in furniture and construction;
 - Stimulate the increase of the pool of harvested wood products in use thereby extending the carbon sink from the forest.


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Panels & Renewable Energy

- Circular Economy & Resource Efficiency
 - Cost effective product using smaller trees
 - Increasing use of post-consumer/post-industrial waste
 - Up to 100% recycled material panels available
- Material first and cascade use
 - Use, re-use, recycle.... Incinerate only at end of life
 - CCA study showed employment and income advantages
 - Carbon sink effect of panels (HWP in LULUCF)
- Level playing field
 - Subsidy free, or new technologies (wind, wave, solar) only
 - Wood shortage acute in areas with (subsidised) biomass
 - Pan-European sustainability misses these “pinch points”
- RED must not be considered in isolation
 - Energy independence and fossil-fuel replacement yes.....
 - But not at the cost of existing (and beneficial) industry!



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