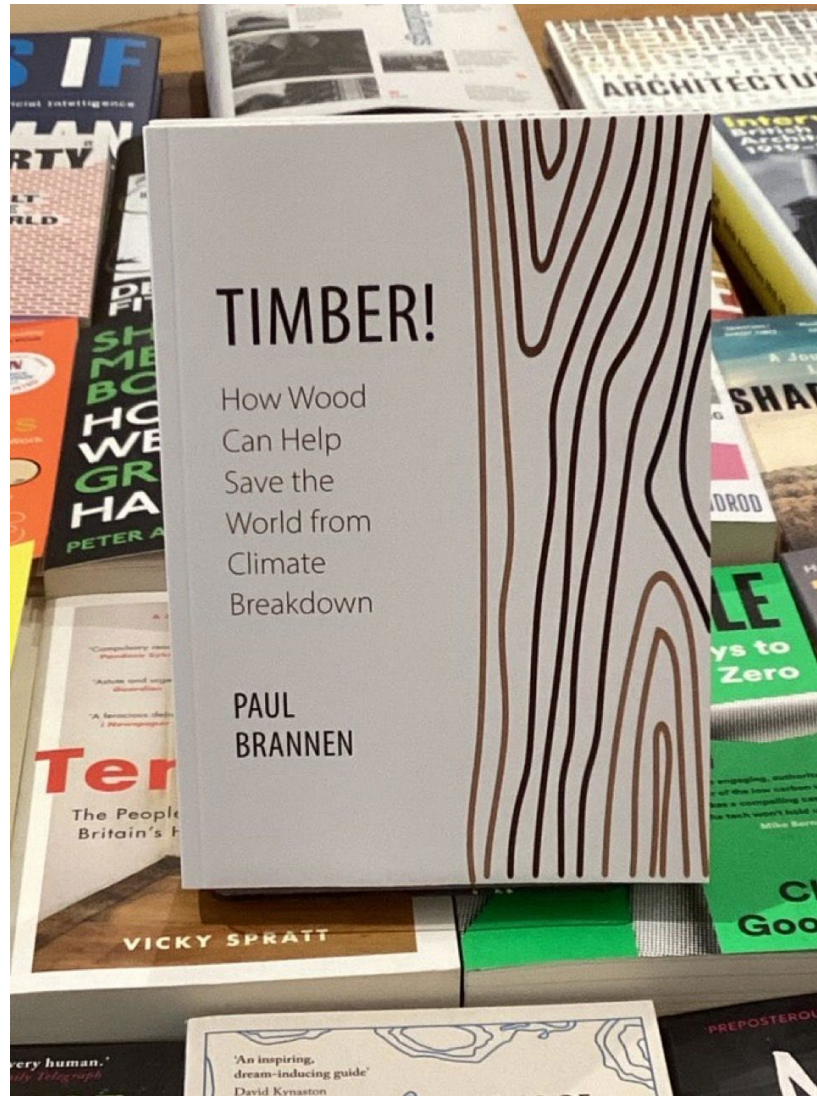


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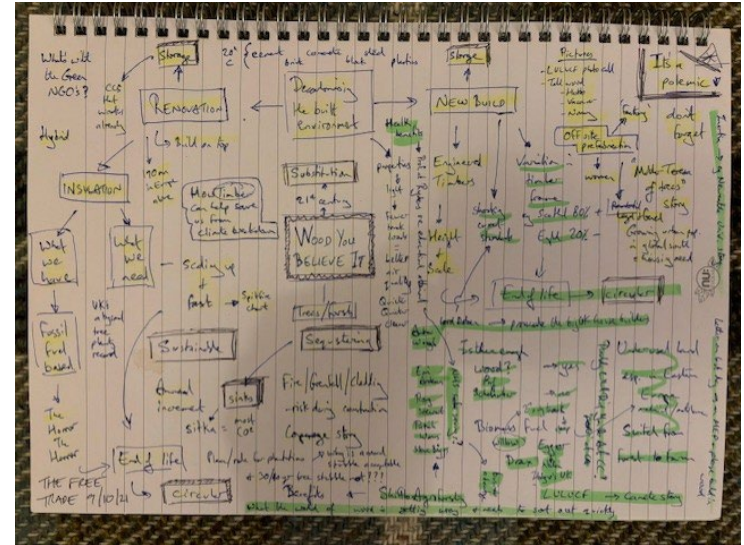
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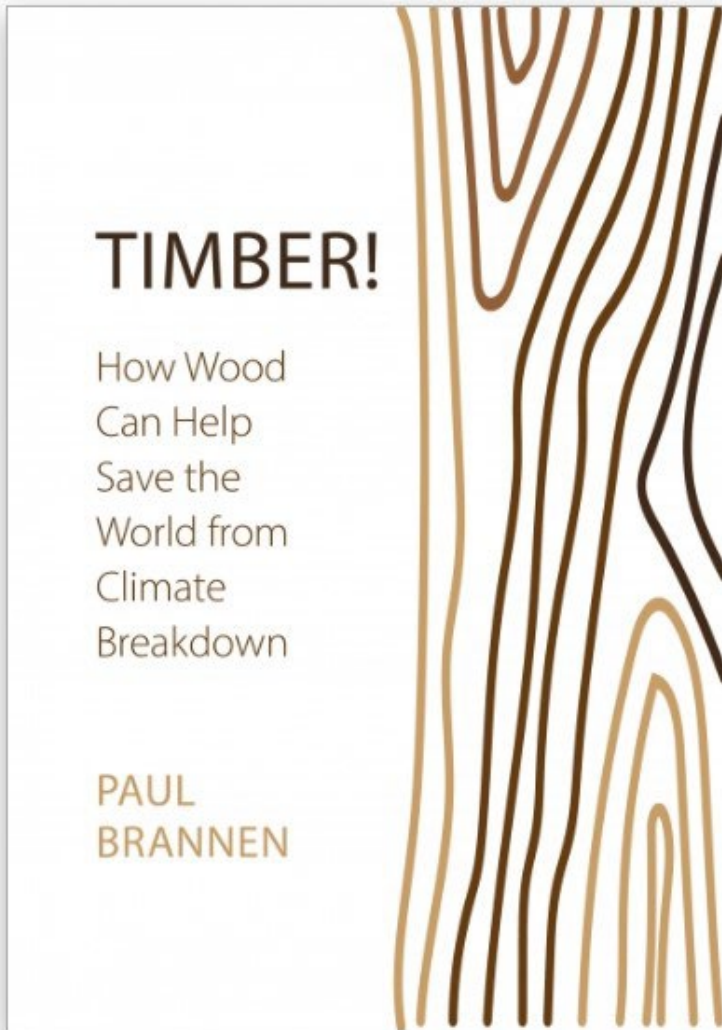
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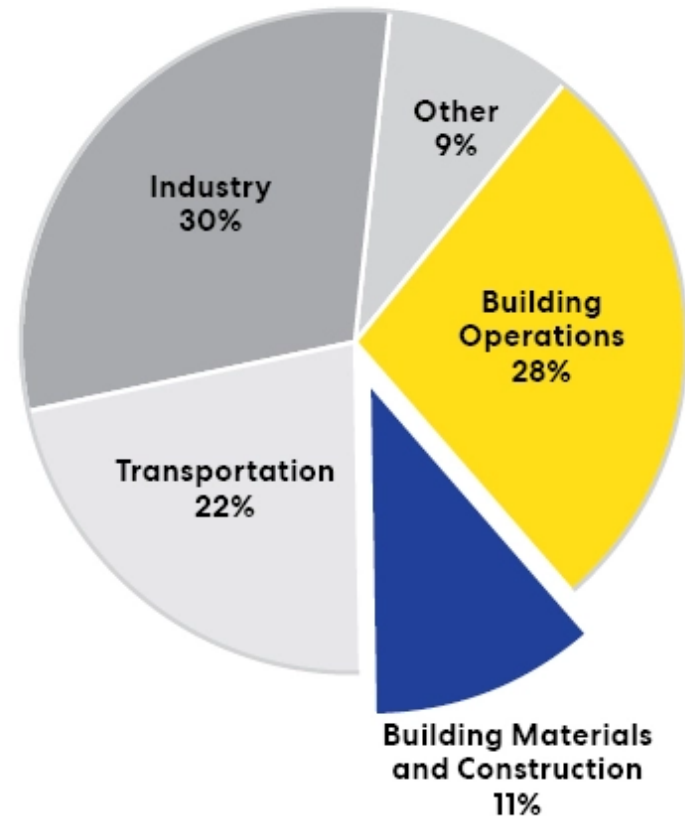
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Chapter 1

What is the problem we are trying to solve?

Global CO₂ Emissions by Sector:
Image adapted from Architecture 2030



This is also the opportunity ...
... green jobs.



Eight per cent of
global carbon
emissions

The most destructive
material on the planet



Chapter 2

How timber can decarbonize the built environment





OPPORTUNITY: BUILD MORE FAMILY HOMES USING WOOD

Benefits of building more with wood

- Sequestration
- Storage
- Substitution

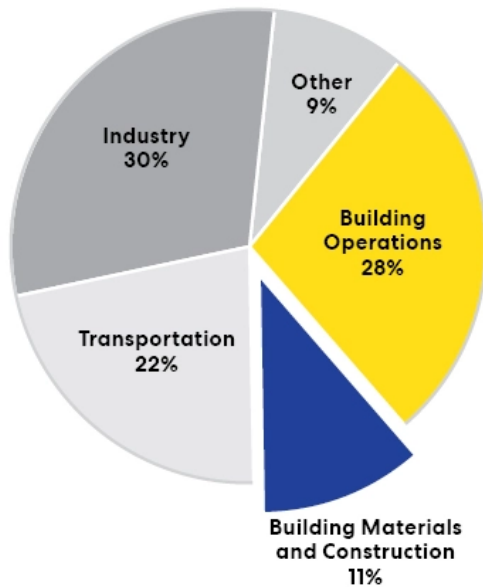


= Big climate wins

Chapter 3

Insulation the big climate win we are yet to deliver

Global CO₂ Emissions by Sector:
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Chapter 4

Wooden skyscrapers















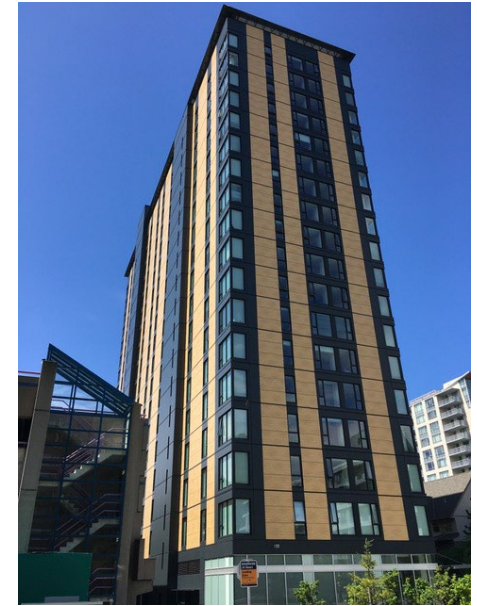






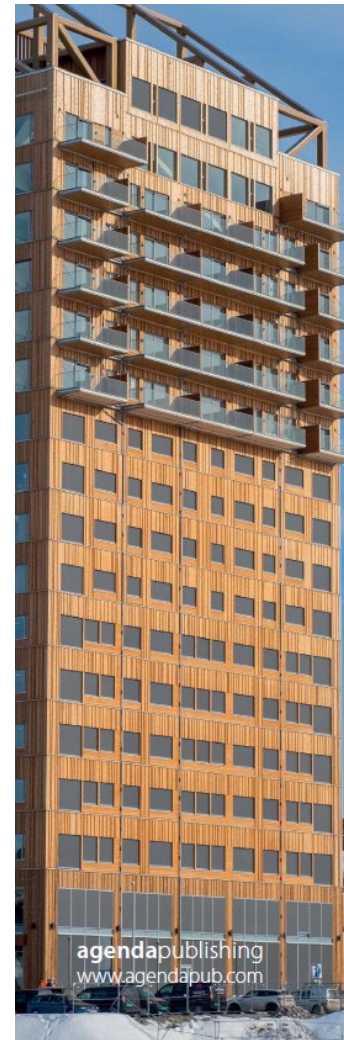
OPPORTUNITY:

We can now build most buildings in most settings in timber



Chapter 5

Fire: Timber buildings and safety



"A passionate and thought-provoking manifesto for the much bigger role wood and forestry could play in tackling the climate crisis and improving the built environment."
Shaun Spiers, Executive Director, Green Alliance

"Timber! should be read by all those in planning, housing policy, construction and agriculture, and many more besides. Paul Brannen does a fabulous job of showing how feasible and beneficial it would be if we not only sequestered carbon through growing trees, but then locked it up in our buildings for many decades to come."
Helen Browning, Chief Executive, Soil Association

"Paul Brannen's engaging and accessible book explains how building materials that are grown instead of mined can change buildings from being a climate problem to part of the solution."
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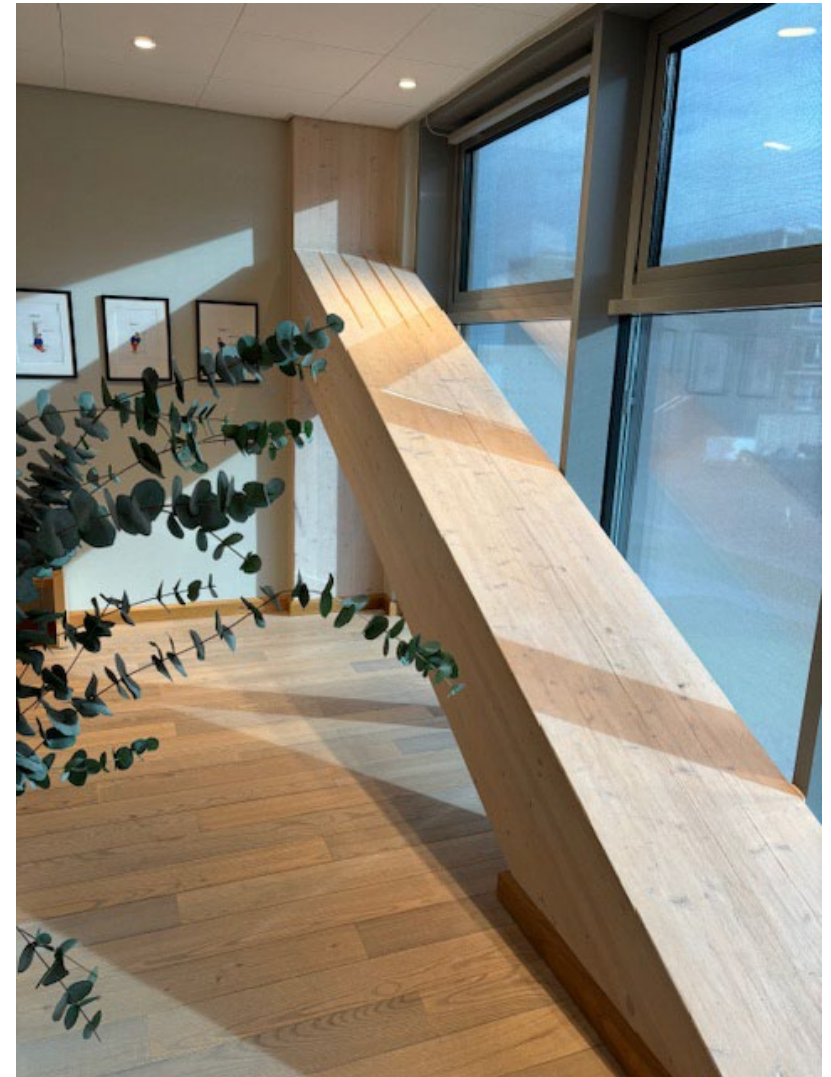
The carbon emissions generated by concrete and steel construction are well-known. Why then are we not using more carbon-friendly building materials? In a fresh and compelling argument Paul Brannen advocates changing how we build. By using timber in buildings wherever possible we can dramatically reduce our carbon emissions.

Timber! explains how we can sustainably grow, supply and utilize the wood we need for this transformation. With newly engineered timbers allowing us for the first time to build wooden skyscrapers, it also tackles head-on questions of safety. The book challenges us to think in new ways about how we can bring our natural environment into our built environment and offers inventive ideas that over time could see our expanding cities storing more carbon than our expanding forests.



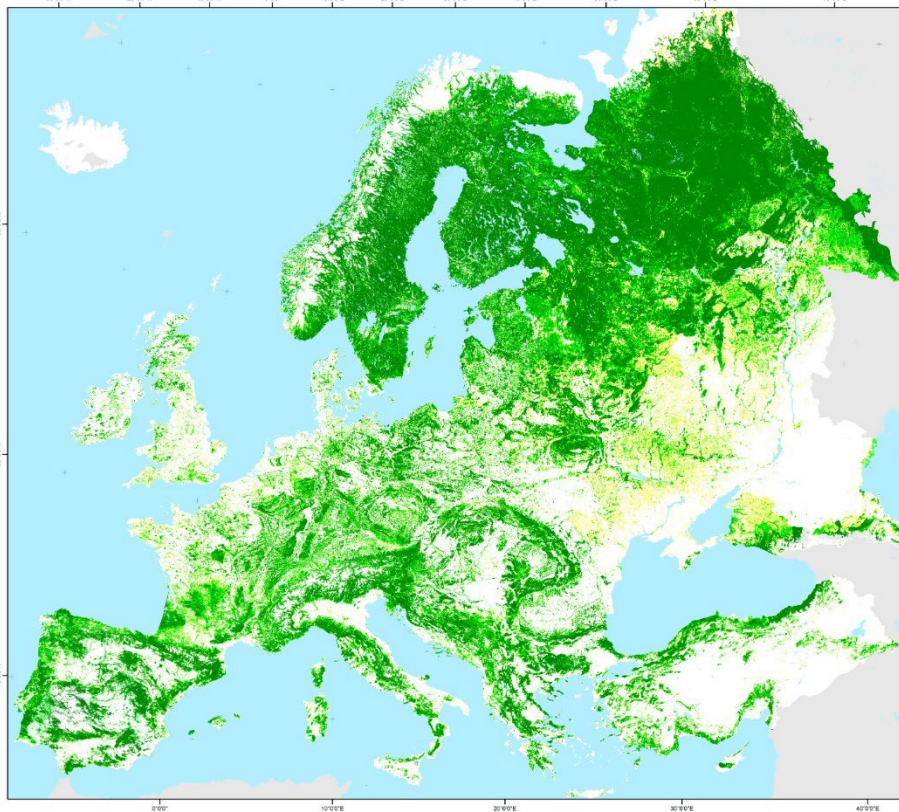
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Chapter 6 Forests: an important asset in tackling climate breakdown



FOREST MAP OF EUROPE
(geographical Europe and Turkey)

Proportion of forest from land area
(% at 1km x 1km resolution)

- 0 - 10
- 11 - 25
- 26 - 50
- 51 - 75
- 76 - 100
- Water
- No data

0 250 500 750
Kilometers

ETRS89 Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area projection

Data sources

Earth observation data:
EU27, AL, BA, CH, HR, ME, MK, NO, RS, TR: Forestness-forest map 2006 (data version) developed by the EC Joint Research Centre, aggregated to 1km resolution. Based on IRS-P2 L2S-III, SPOT4 HRVIR and SPOT5 HRG satellite data of 2006.
Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine, Russian Federation: Forest share estimates based on AVHRR/NOAA satellite data of 1996-1998.

Statistical data:
National forest inventory statistics
State of Europe's Forests country statistics 2011

Method

Two different earth observation products (Kempeneers et al. 2011; Paavinen et al. 2011; Schuck et al. 2002) have been combined with statistical data to produce a pan-European forest map that corresponds to the official forest inventory statistics of national and/or regional level. For 19 countries (including the Russian Federation) regional statistics were utilized during the calibration, while for the other countries statistics at national level have been applied. In a second calibration run, the map was adjusted to the internationally harmonized statistics by Forest Europe 2011 at national level, to allow for comparability between the countries.

Further details:
www.efi.europa.eu/efi/efi/information_services/mapping_services/forest_map_of_europe

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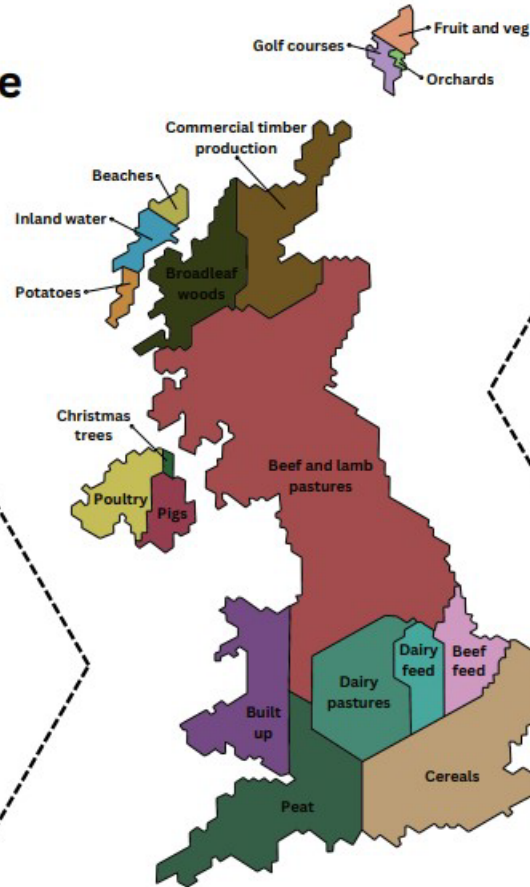
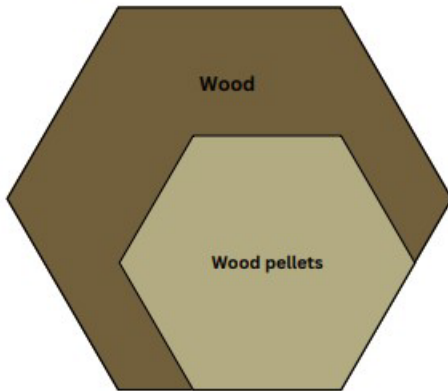
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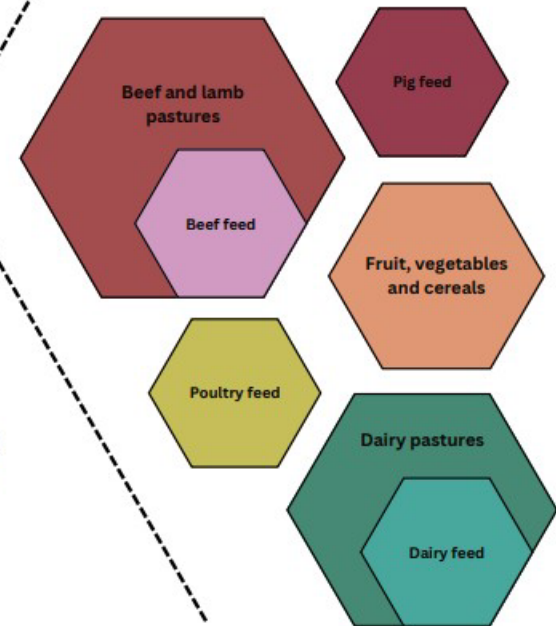


UK Land Use and Share of Land Footprint Overseas

Overseas land used to grow timber for UK



Overseas land used to feed the UK

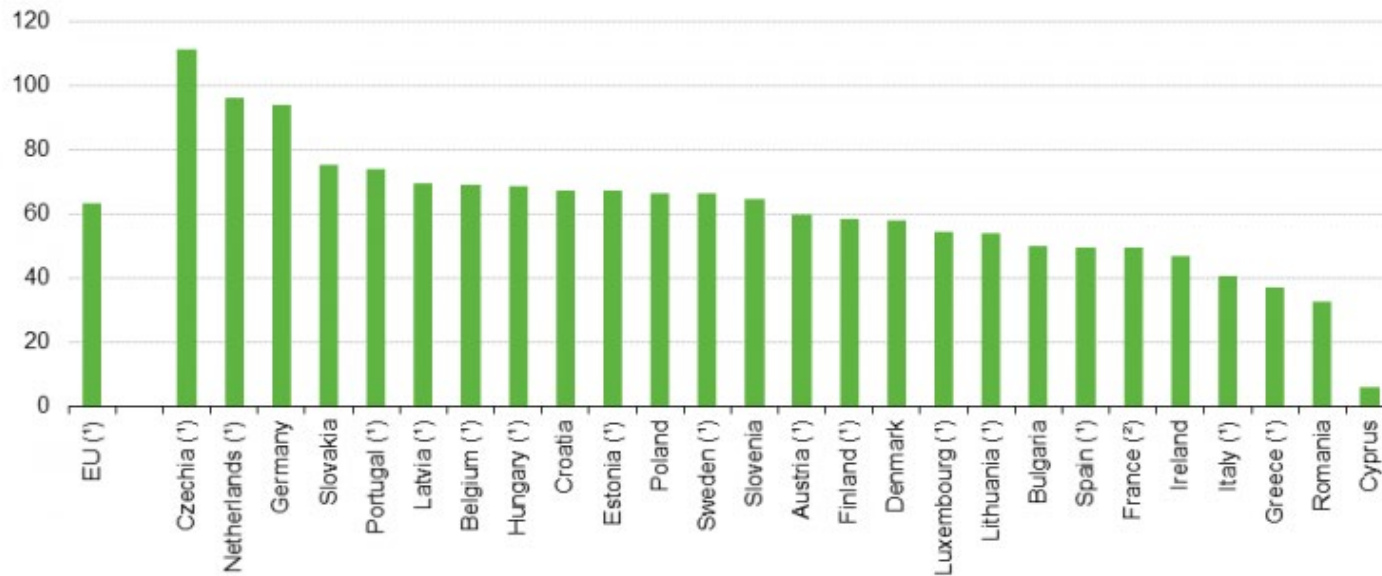


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Chapter 7

Is there enough sustainable wood?

Share of removals to net increment in EU forests, 2019
(%)



(*) Data are estimates.

(?) Data refer to metropolitan France and only forest available for wood supply.

Note: Increment refers to the volume of wood grown less average annual mortality. Removals are measured overbark.

Malta: not available.



News

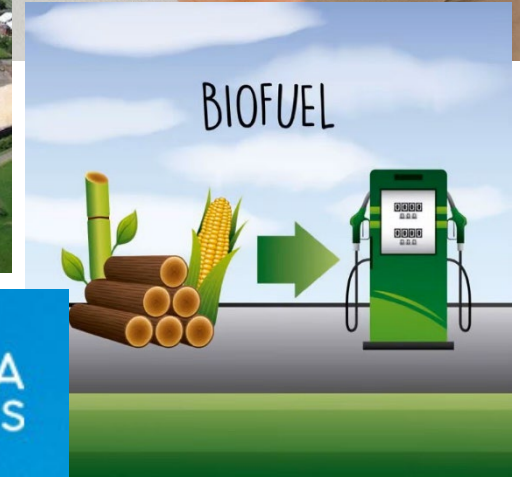
Denmark will plant 1 billion trees and convert 10% of farmland into forest

Danish lawmakers have agreed on a deal to plant 1 billion trees and convert 10% of farmland into forest and natural habitats in an effort to reduce fertilizer usage over the next two decades

Via AP news wire • Monday 18 November 2024 13:56 GMT



Chapter 8 Increasing wood supply



1. Fell closer to the Net Annual Increment
2. Plant more forests
3. Grow trees on farms – agroforestry
4. Eat less meat, releasing land
5. Russia, Belarus & Ukraine
6. Optimise every log
7. Deploy material efficiency
8. Recycle more wood
9. Increase opportunities to up-cycle
10. Build-on-top – ‘Optoppen’
11. Reduce demolition
12. Use empty buildings

Chapter 9

Is there enough land?

The amount of abandoned farmland in Europe, including European Russia, is equivalent to the existing farmland in France, the UK and Ireland combined.

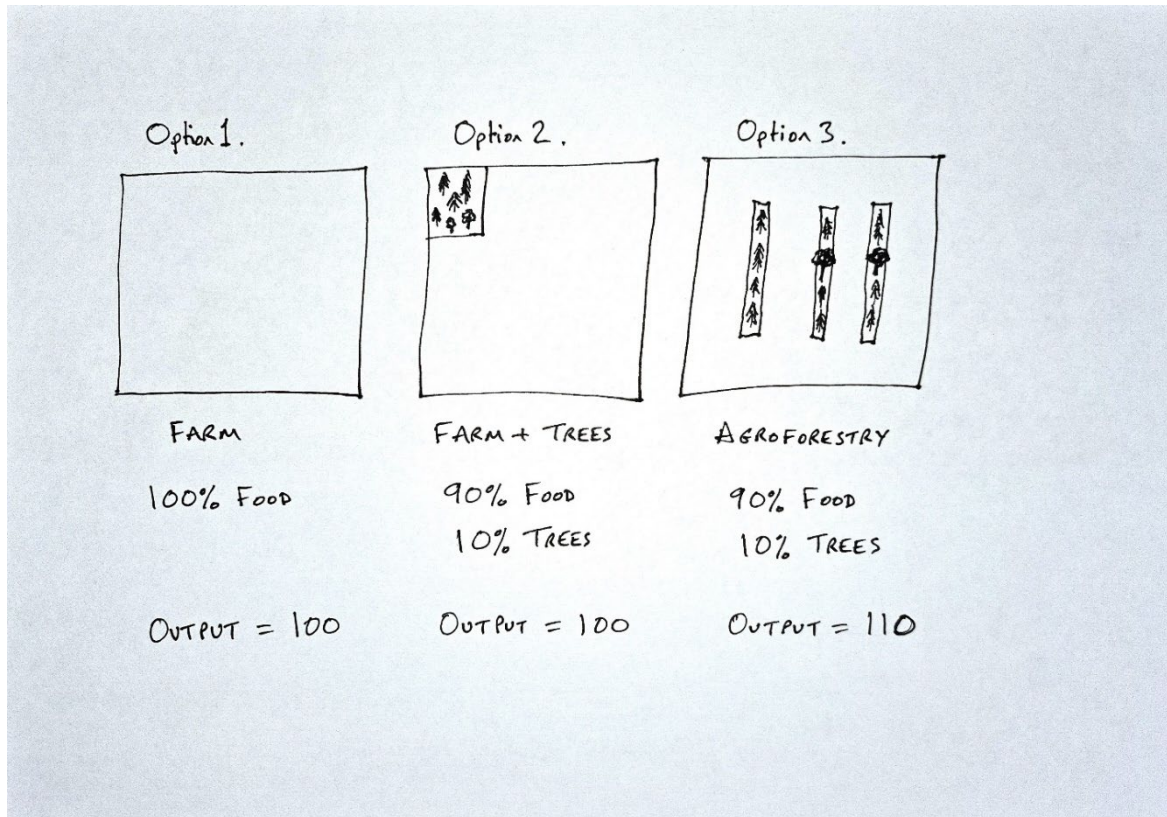
I have come to see land use as the most important of all environmental questions. I now believe it is the issue that makes the greatest difference to whether terrestrial ecosystems and Earth systems survive or perish.

*George Monbiot
Regeneration, 2023*



Chapter 10

Harnessing the climate benefits of agroforestry





Chapter 11

Factory-built houses







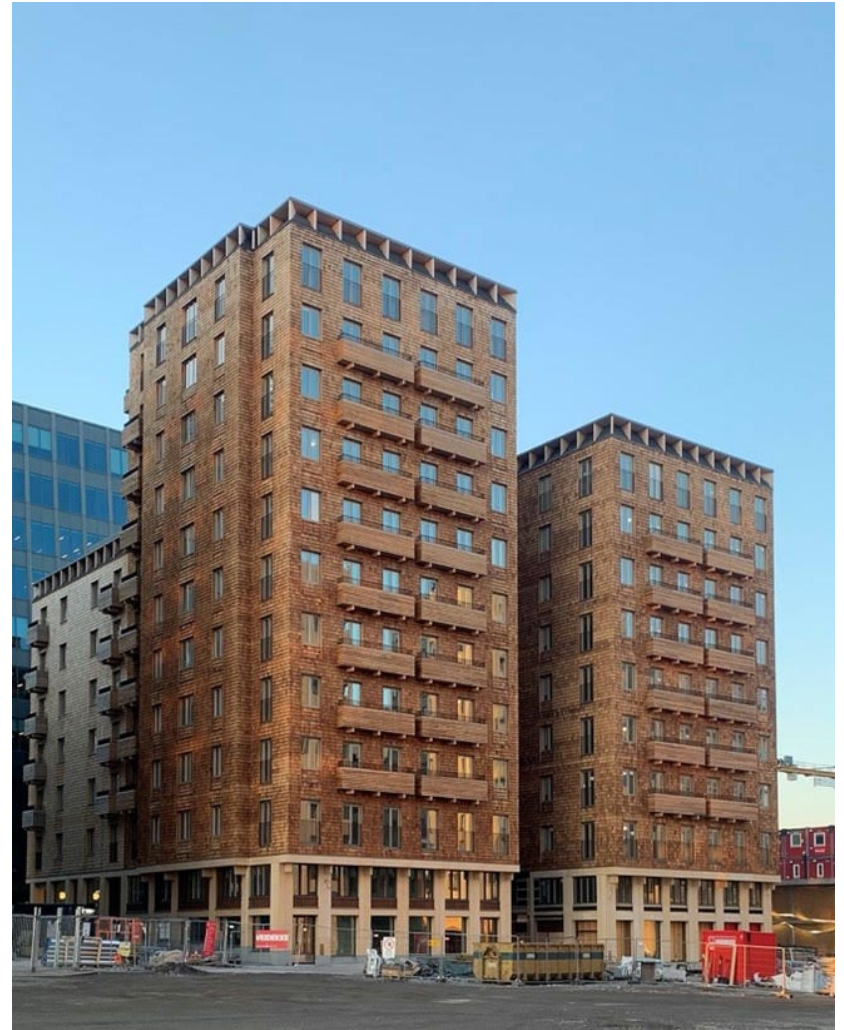
Chapter 12 - The lost chapter




Conclusion **Timber Rising!**

A significant increase in the use of wood and wood fibre in the built environment could reduce Europe's carbon emissions by at least 15 per cent.

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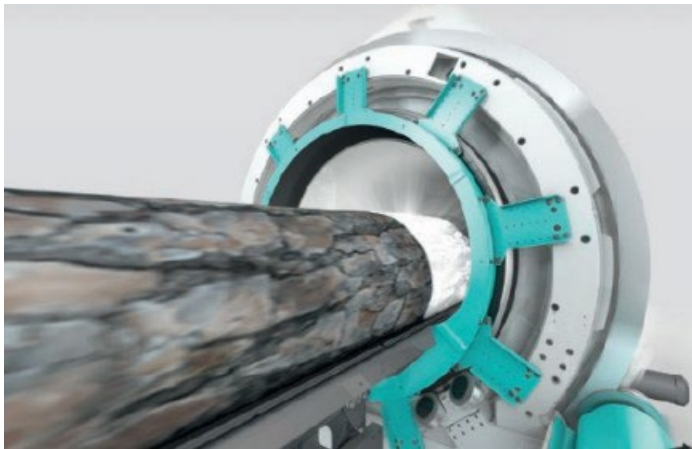
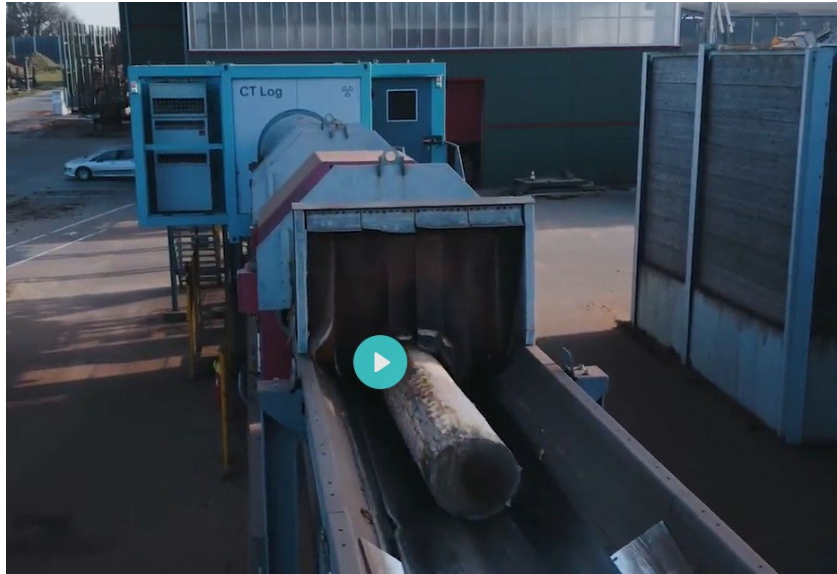


















Conclusion:

- **Sequestration**
- **Substitution**
- **Storage**

