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Simwood Introduction and achievements

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SIMWOOD = Sustainable Innovative Mobilisation of Wood

- Funded by the EU 7th Framework Programme (FP7)
- Budget approx. 7.5 million Euros (EU contribution 5.9 million Euros)
- 4 year project (2013 - 2017)
- 28 partners and 2 associated partners
 - 19 Institutional partners
 - 11 Small Medium Enterprises
 - 13 Countries



28 November 2013 in Freising

- Understand current and future **motivations of forest owners**
- Promote **forest governance** and joint action of stakeholders
- Develop **multifunctional forest management** adapted to forest types
- Integrate **forest ecosystem services** while minimizing environmental impacts
- Establish improved **adapted forest harvesting techniques**
- Demonstrate collaborative **regional initiatives and solutions**
- Recommend **tailor-made instruments** to policy makers
- Encourage broad **outreach and exploitation** in EU regions

The SIMWOOD-IS (“MOBILISER”)

European Guide to Sustainable Innovative Mobilisation of Wood

A unique information system of innovative practices and technologies, existing stakeholder initiatives and effective support programmes



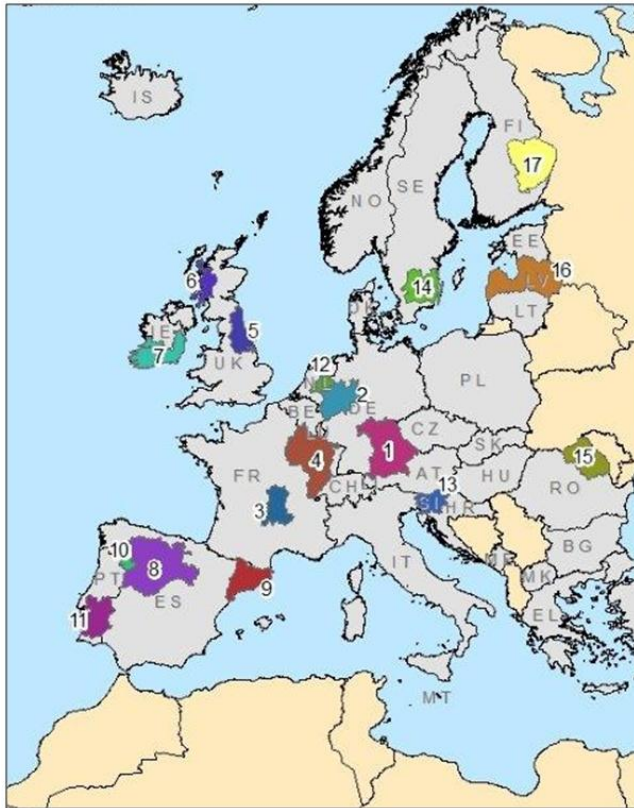
Important key “Regional Initiatives”

- Wood mobilisation is more likely to be successful when it is embedded in collaborative Initiatives of multiple stakeholders.
- Increased awareness of the role of forestry for the region
- Common societal agreement on forest use,
- Impacts on sustainable regional development

Concept of “Regional Learning Labs” in SIMWOOD

- Involvement of regional stakeholders (workshops, round tables)
- Common analysis of the status quo,
- Identification, evaluation and implementation of wood mobilisation solutions for the model region
- To overcome barriers and make use of opportunities

17 SIMWOOD Model Regions



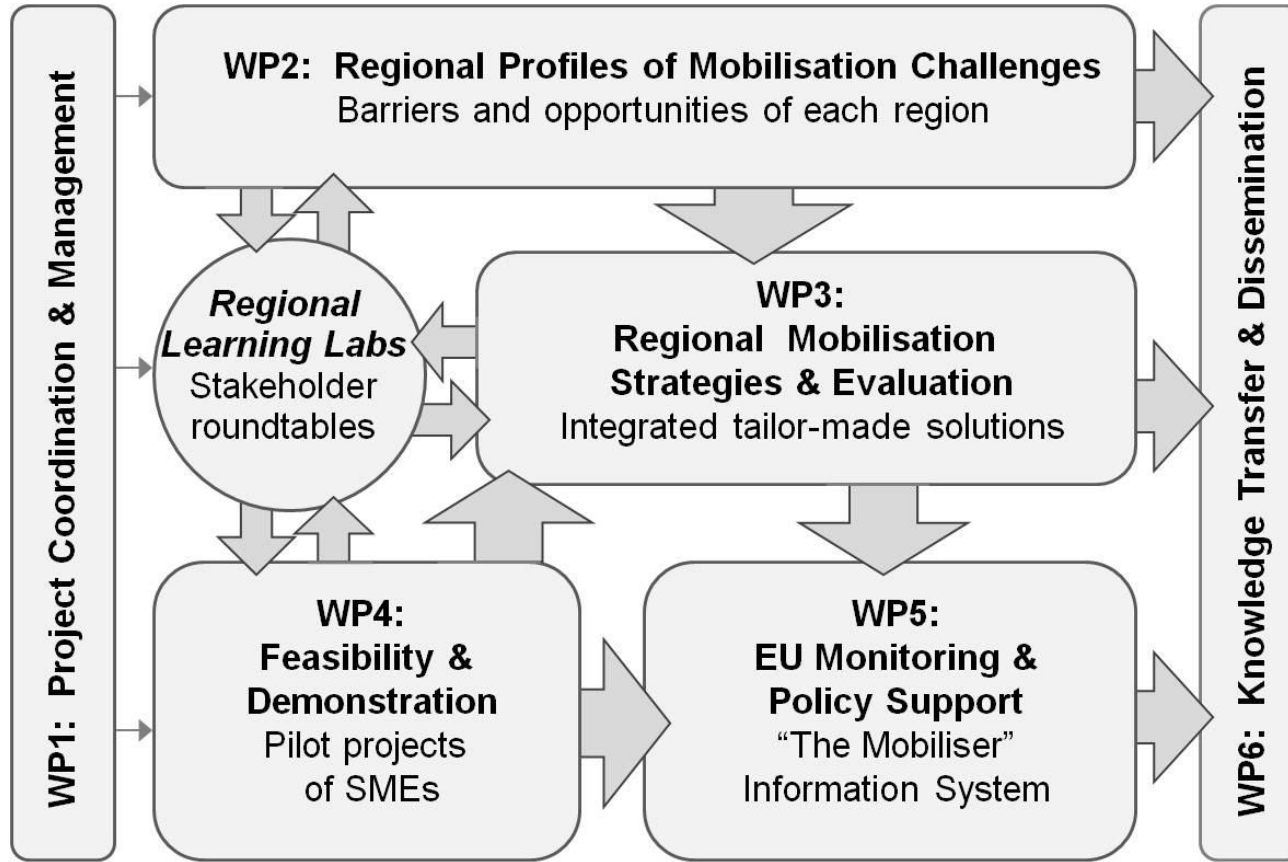
SIMWOOD model regions

- 1, Bavaria
- 2, North Rhine-Westphalia
- 3, Auvergne
- 4, Grand Est
- 5, Yorkshire and Northeast England
- 6, Lochaber
- 7, South-Eastern Ireland
- 8, Castile and León
- 9, Catalonia
- 10, Nordeste
- 11, Alentejo
- 12, Overijssel & Gelderland
- 13, Slovenia
- 14, Smaland
- 15, Northeast Romania
- 16, Latvia
- 17, Eastern Finland

- Represents main European forest types
- Strong potential for wood mobilisation
- Stakeholder involvement ensured (RLL)
- Regional profiles developed/evaluated

} Eastern Europe,
Baltic and Boreal Region

- 28 partners in 11 countries (11 SMEs)
- 2 associated partners in 2 Countries (Latvia, Romania)



Domains:

- Governance
- Ownership
- Management
- Functions
- Harvesting

1 - Governance

Stakeholder participation
Regional initiatives
Forest policy

2 - Ownership

Motivations, Consciousness,
Values, New/Urban owners
Demographic change

3 - Management

Adaptive silviculture
Management practices
Climate change

4 - Functions

Ecosystem goods & services
Non-wood forest products
Multi-functionality

5 - Harvesting

High environmental
quality techniques &
technologies

Regional Profiles for all Model Regions (“Status quo”)

- **17 completed regional profiles**
 - following a common structure
 - best available data relevant for wood mobilisation
 - identified barriers and opportunities for wood mobilisation
- **20 Focus studies**
 - to close identified knowledge gaps

Regional Mobilisation Strategies and Integrated Evaluation

Establishment of Regional Learning Laboratories (RLL)

- Development of a **Protocol** for the Regional Learning Labs
- In all regions **stakeholder groups** have been involved
- To share and improve **knowledge and ideas** relating to wood mobilisation,
- To identify the **target** and the required **strategy** in the regions
- To develop and implement sustainable and innovative wood mobilisation solutions for the Model Regions

RLL in Bavaria



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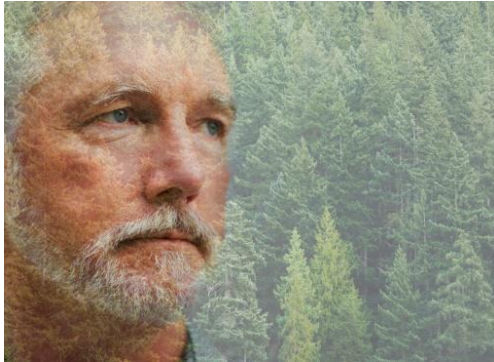
Development of a **Evaluation Strategy**

- to guide the process of evaluating the collected complex **mixture of quantitative and qualitative data**
- **Review of existing knowledge** and evidence in the regions
- **Evaluation framework** for pilot projects (inputs, outputs, outcomes, impacts)
- **Modelling** of 3 different wood mobilisation scenarios at different geographical scales

Feasibility & demonstration in Pilot Projects

- Development of a **guide for planning, implementing and evaluation** of Simwood Pilot Projects (common structure and understanding):
- 22 Pilot projects
 - described, commented by consortium experts, adapted and launched
 - SME and institutional partners working hand in hand to test measures to overcome critical barriers
 - 3 typical interventions
 - **New working methods** for the sustainable wood supply to the energy market
 - **Strategies and new service-offerings** to engage forest owners
 - **Capacity-building** for professional practitioners

The expert system “SIMWOOD-Information System”



Regional profiles are summarized for 17 SIMWOOD model regions



Interactive tools allow you to navigate the library in different ways



Results of the EFISCEN model for selected regions are made available



You can find useful web pages offering information and services near you

Dissemination / Exploitation Strategy and Plan

- SIMWOOD project website
- Leaflets, brochures, other public relation material
- Social media (twitter, LinkedIn)
- 8 SIMWOOD Newsletters
- SIMWOOD Policy Briefs
- Offline dissemination activities in the regions
 - Knowledge transfer on local level (RLL)
 - Presentations at European and regional events



www.simwood-project.eu

5 Public Deliverables with the key findings of the SIMWOOD Project:

- SIMWOOD Information System
- European Manual of integrated wood mobilisation solutions
- Synthesis report on the added value of the Pilot Projects
- Policy Brief & Final Conference Report

Thank you!



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