

# European Commission proposal for a Decision on GHG accounting rules in the forest and agriculture sectors (LULUCF) including accounting rules for harvested wood products (HWP)

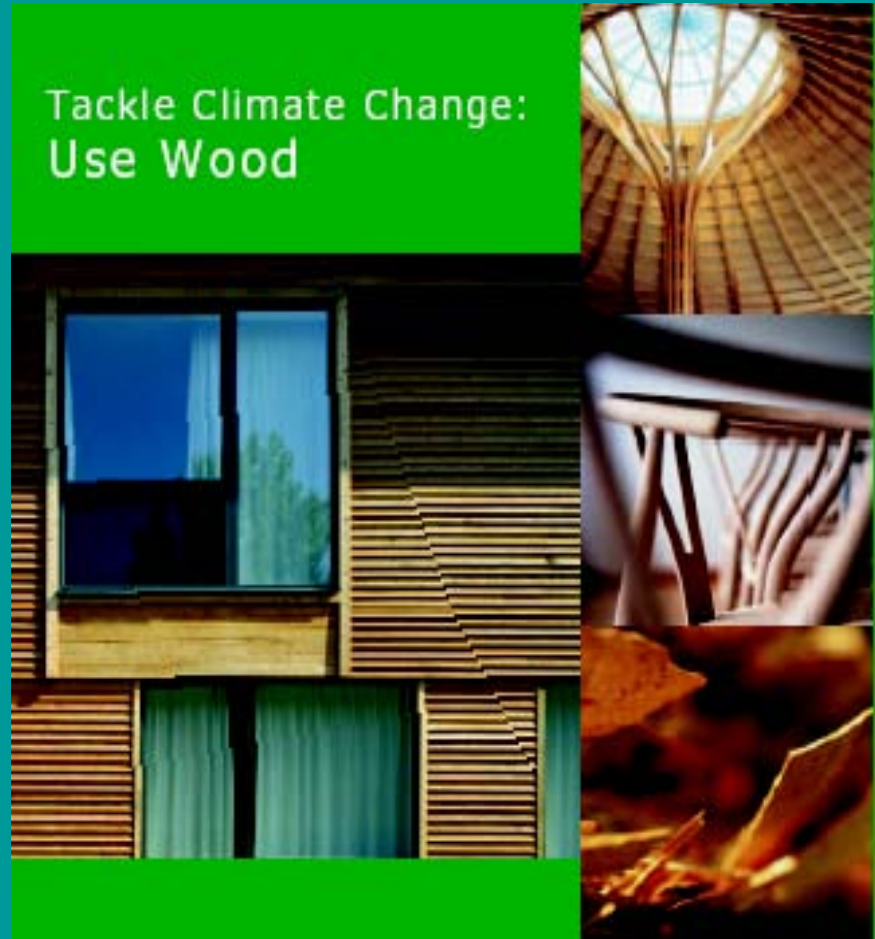
## Views from the woodworking sector

# Background: results related to European forests in Durban

- New rules for the 2. commitment period of Kyoto Protocol for accounting emissions and removals from Land use, Land Use Change and Forests:
  - Forest Management accounting mandatory, based on reference levels which all Parties have proposed in 2011
  - a new pool for Harvested Wood Products
  - exclusion of emissions from natural disturbances
  - cap of 3,5% of base year emissions on credits from Forest Management

# Carbon storage in HWP and substitution effect

Woodworking industries have been pointing to the role of wood products in mitigating climate change for many years already



# EC Proposal: most relevant for the woodworking industries

- Inclusion of mandatory accounting for harvested wood products
- Mandatory preparation of LULUCF Action Plans
  - Can include incentives for increasing the use of wood products
- Many elements in favour of wood products in the text of the proposal and explanatory memorandum

# Items requiring clarification

- Definitions
- Calculation method
  - Production approach (from forest)
  - What about wood products produced with imported wood?
  - One does not “harvest” paper, sawn wood and panels

# CEI-Bois draft position on LULUCF accounting out for consultation

## KEY message: accounting HWP is welcome

- impact of global deforestation vs figures for European forests
- misconception contribution European FBI & consequences

POSITIVE in proposal: benefits wood and FBI, including substitution effect

MISSING in proposal: positive elements from the explanatory memorandum not in the Decision part

MAIN REQUEST CEI-Bois: add these elements as preambles (= make them robust)

\* additional recommendations to clarify the accounting rules