

VISCAN-Portable: A new grading machine for local structural timber



The strength grading of timber is mandatory for structural uses. Most of the sawmills in the area are small or medium-sized enterprises that cannot acquire an automatic classification line because of the very high costs. For this reason it was decided to develop a new portable machine, with significantly reduced costs, which could be shared between the sawmill of the territory. The new grading machine was design starting from the technology ViSCAN of Microtec. With these results, it becomes possible to introduce the machine strength grading among small/medium sawmills. Thanks to this new opportunity the companies can enjoy advantages both in terms of quantitative yields and efficiency in the classification. On the other hand, the portability of the machine is an interesting stimulus to its possible spread: neighboring sawmill could share the purchase or lease the equipment, reducing the amount of initial investment and operating costs. This sharing mode is well suited also to a non-continuous production of lumber. The machine was then set on the timber species present in the FMMF territory already used or potentially suitable for construction: ViSCAN-portable was officially certified as strength grading machine on March 2014. At the same date the settings for Douglas fir and black pine were approved, while for fir and chestnut they were approved on October 2014. Some local sawmills have already used the machine to grade their sawnwood for structural uses, but the VISCAN-portable has also been requested by other Italian regions, especially to grade chestnut timber.

DETTAGLI

ORIGINE DEL LEGNO

foresta

TIPO DI LEGNO

Fusto

POTENZIALE DI MOBILITAZIONE

N/A

POTENZIALE SOSTENIBILITÀ - VALORE

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TIPO DI LEGNO IN QUESTIONE

sawnwood

FACILITÀ DI IMPLEMENTAZIONE

N/A

IMPATTO SULL'AMBIENTE E LA BIODIVERSITÀ

Implementation of the use of underutilized species as sawnwood

FACILITÀ DI IMPLEMENTAZIONE - VALUTAZIONE

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EFFETTO SUL REDDITO

Added value to the raw material with consequently higher incomes for the sawmills

PREREQUISITI CHIAVE

Knowledge of the technical regulation on strength grading for structural uses

POTENZIALE DI SFRUTTAMENTO

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TIPO DI EVENTO IN CUI QUESTO BPI È STATO PRESENTATO

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HUB

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EFFETTO SUL LAVORO

Increase of the manufacture of local products with a consequent improvement for the supply chain and the whole sector

IMPATTO ECONOMICO

Improvement of grading yields

I COSTI DI ATTUAZIONE (EURO - €)

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CONOSCENZE SPECIFICHE NECESSARIE

Need of short training for use

PIÙ DETTAGLI

SFIDA RISOLTA

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DOMINIO

La gestione forestale, selvicoltura, i servizi
ecosistemici, resilienza

TIPO DI SOLUZIONE

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PAROLE CHIAVE

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SOLUZIONE DIGITALE

No

INNOVAZIONE

Sì

PAESE D'ORIGINE

Italia

SCALA DI APPLICAZIONE

Nazionale

INIZIO E FINE ANNO

2014 -

CONTATTI

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REFERENCES AND RESOURCES

SITO PRINCIPALE

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RISORSE

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SITO WEB DEL PROGETTO

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PROGETTO DI RIFERIMENTO

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PROGETTO NELL'AMBITO DEL QUALE QUESTA SCHEDA È STATA CREATA

Rosewood

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