

Description of best practice

Best practice		
Title	Waldgenossenschaft Südwest eG	
Picture	WSW WALDGENOSSENSCHAFT SÜDWEST eG	
Domain	Communities / Networks	
Source of wood	Stemwood	
Location	Baden-Württemberg & Bayern	
Implementers	Co-founder: S.H. Karl Friedrich Fürst von Hohenzollern	
Actual status	Running	
Approach	The cooperative aims to support private forest owners and to provide a reliable source of wood to the industry. Three main goals were highlighted: • Common sale of wood adapted to the industry's needs • Support of forest cultivation • Increase efficiency for joint selling at fair market value	
Main results	Many advantages because of the positive effects due to cooperation	
Lessons learned		
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Code	BP_BW_06	



Best practice assessment

Region	Germany
Time scale	Until today
Mobilization Potential	> 100 ha
Kind of wood concerned	Depending on members
Sustainability Potential	Positive
Impact on environment & biodiversity	Positive / supports local labor
Ease of implementation	Medium
Economic impact	Jointly increase market power
Job effect	Positive
Income effect	Positive
Specific knowledge needed	Consider cartel law
Costs of implementation	N.A.
Technical readiness level	Applicable
Key information for adoption	It is important to consider the choice of corporate form. Here the cooperative (germ. Genossenschaft) was suitable.