

Description of best practice

Best practice		
Title	Bavarian School for Forest Farmers	
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Domain	Education and training	
Source of	Woodland/forests	
wood		
Location	Bavaria (Germany)	
Implementers	Bayerische Waldbauernschule e. V. and the Bavarian Forestry Administration	
Actual status	Running	
Approach	 Training and education center for private and corporate forests and all people interested in the forest The WBS supports forestry associations in creating their structures and fulfilling their tasks The WBS is the responsible authority, cross-company training facility and examination location for the apprenticeable profession forester The WBS is an event location for institutions and federations. Falconers and hunters take their examination there The WBS is certified for DIN EN ISO 9001 and 14001 as well as OHSAS 18001 All working processes and the content of the education is continuously being improved 	
Main results	The environmental impact of all measures and the security standards suggested in the trainings are constantly being improved and environmentally friendly measures are conveyed to the attendees	



Lessons learned	An institution like the Bayerische Waldbauernschule is an essential asset to establish an innovative and learning culture in the area of forest owners and association. Furthermore it contributes to more safe and efficient forest operations for the whole area.	
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Best practice assessment

Region	Bavaria
Time scale	Since 2002
Mobilization Potential	At least a long term potential of estimated 1 m3/ha and ownership-taking part in school trainings. Area effected whole Bavaria.
Kind of wood concerned	Stemwood
Sustainability Potential	Positive
Impact on environment & biodiversity	Positive on biodiversity and forest resilience enhancement as these aspects are also part of the trainings and courses
Ease of implementation	Medium
Economic impact	more efficient working processes and active learning
Job effect	Better qualified forest owners through professional trainings and courses.
Income effect	Courses cheaper for forest owners, between about 200-400 €/course
Specific knowledge needed	Profund and long-term expertise needed to establish a professional training and course program.
Costs of implementation	Approx. 1.000'000€ for a forest school.
Technical readiness level	Applicable
Key information for adoption	The close collaboration between school and regional forestry administration is needed