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Linking global development goals and forest management alternatives: The GLOBIOM approach

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Summary

- Climate policies and development pathways
- The GLOBIOM model for Impact Assessment
- The impact of different climate targets on the forest sector
- Another dimension of impacts: Biodiversity
- Looking into future applications

Scenarios towards limiting global mean temperature increase below 1.5 °C

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Impact of the 2 °C target on global woody biomass use



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Spatially explicit LCA analysis of biodiversity losses due to different bioenergy policies in the European Union



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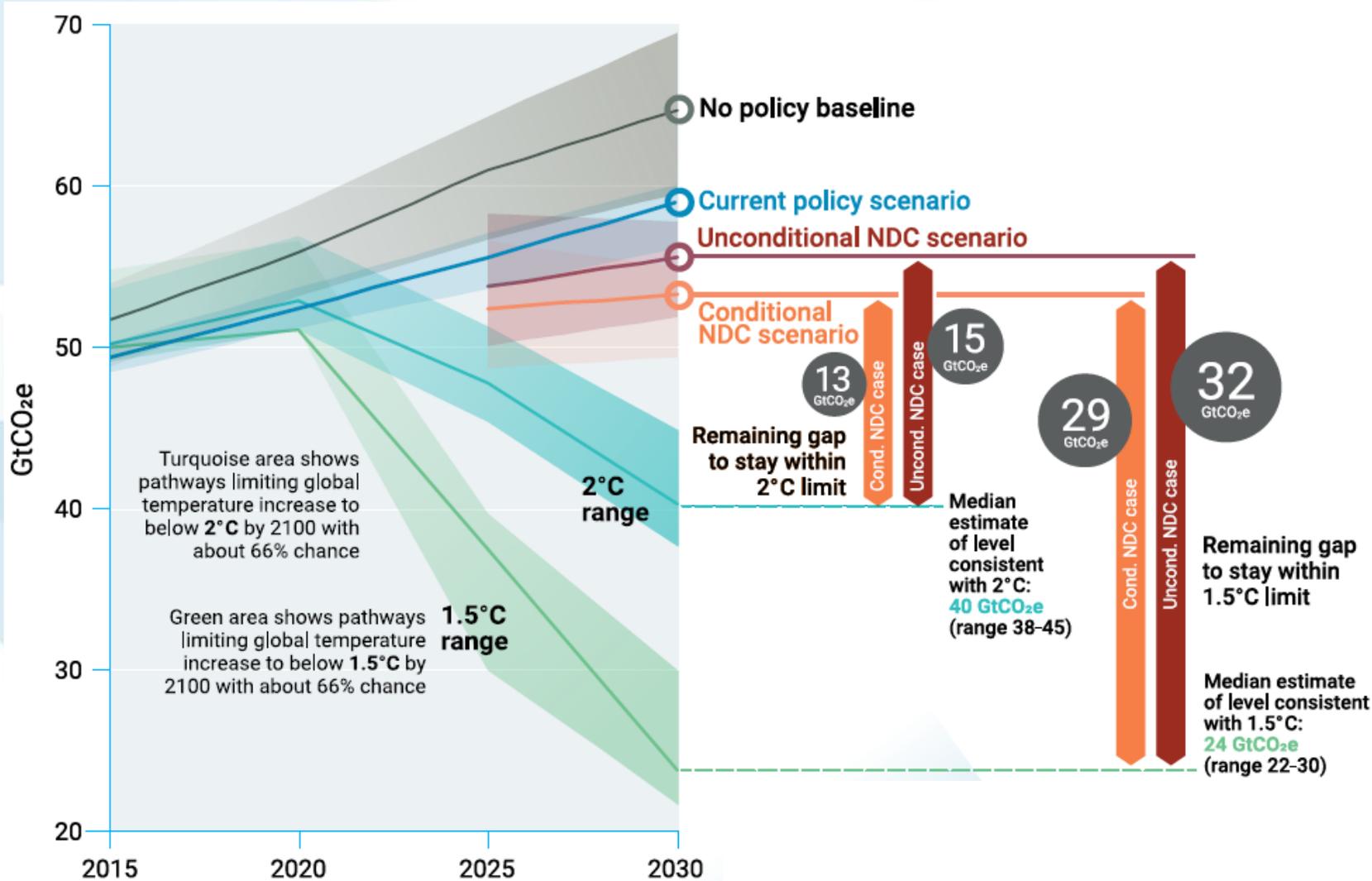
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Climate policies and development pathways

Paris Agreement and the NDC's



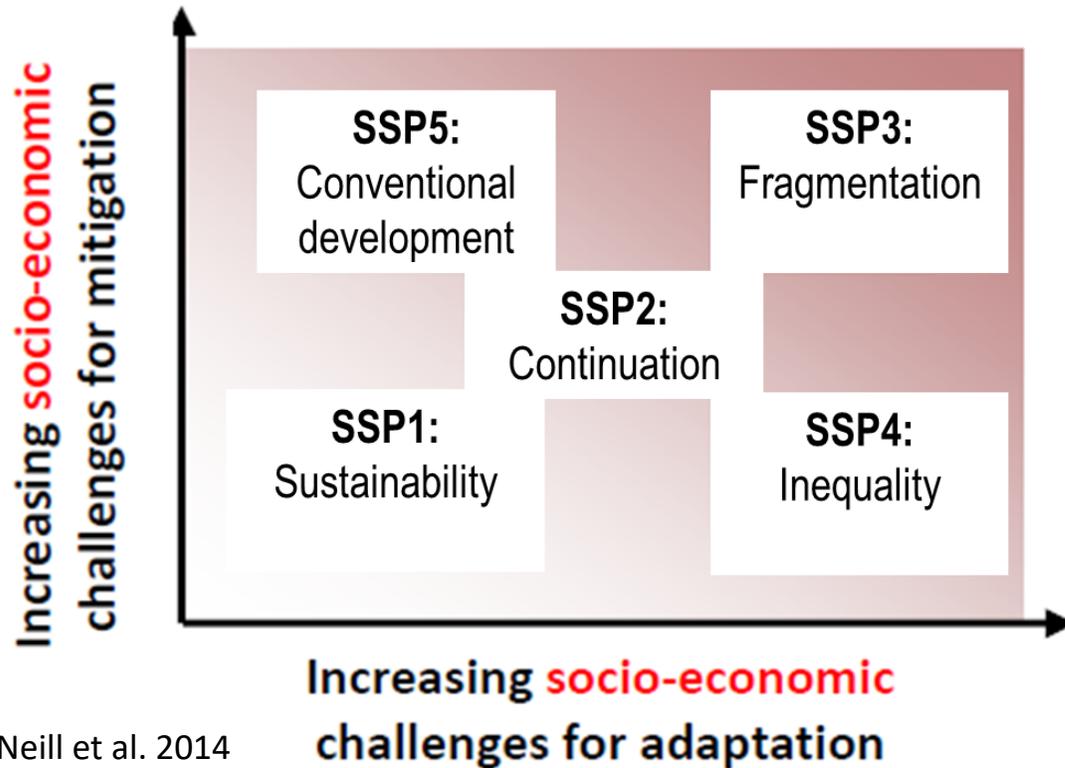
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Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)

- 196 Parties aiming at limiting global warming to 1.5 to 2 °C above pre-industrial levels

The SSPs and the forest sector



Shared Socioeconomic Pathways (SSPs)

- Population
- Urbanization
- GDP

Developed by the climate change research community

O'Neil et al. (2014)

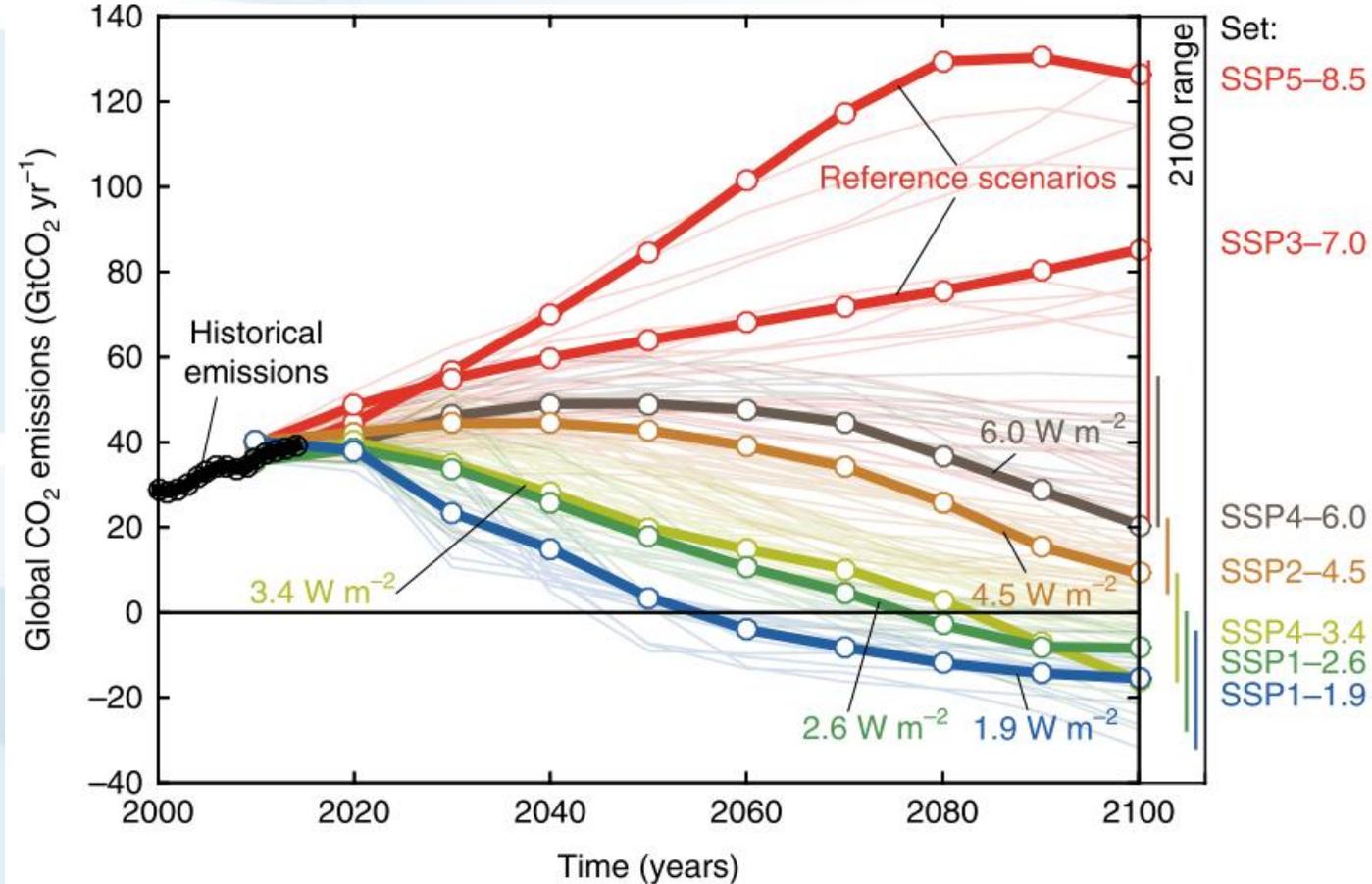
Forest Sector Pathways (FSPs)

drives for the forest sector:

- Land-use change regulation
- Forest productivity growth
- Environmental impact of forestry activities
- International trade
- Globalization
- Land-based mitigation policies
- Efficiency of timber processing and wood use
- Consumption of primary and secondary forest products

According to: Daigneault et al. forthcoming in the IJFE

RCPs and Carbon Neutrality in MIP



Representative Concentration Pathways (RCPs)

- Input for climate and atmospheric chemistry modeling as part of 5th Assessment Report IPCC

Carbon neutrality compatible with

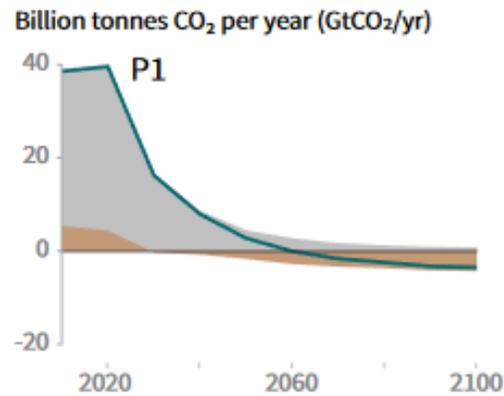
- 2°C (RCP 2.6): 2055 – 2080
- 1.5°C (RCP 1.9): 2045 - 2070

Scenarios for climate stabilization

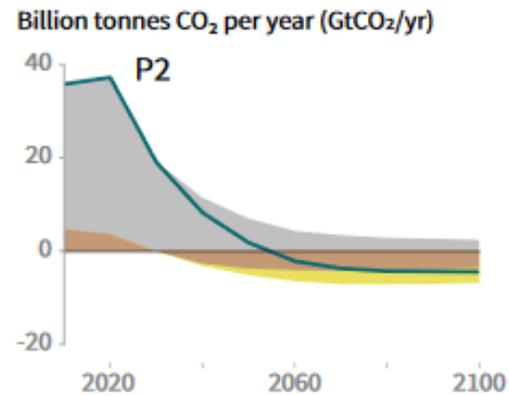
The same climate target could be achieved through different strategies!

Breakdown of contributions to global net CO₂ emissions in four illustrative model pathways

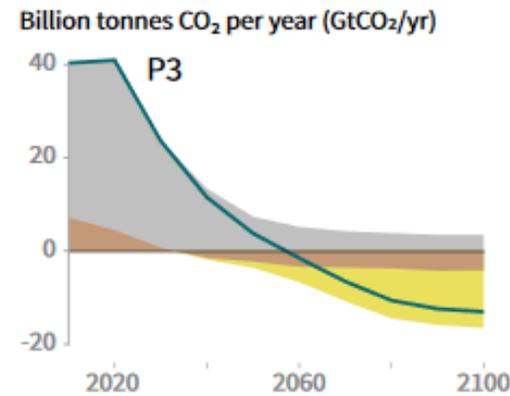
● Fossil fuel and industry ● AFOLU ● BECCS



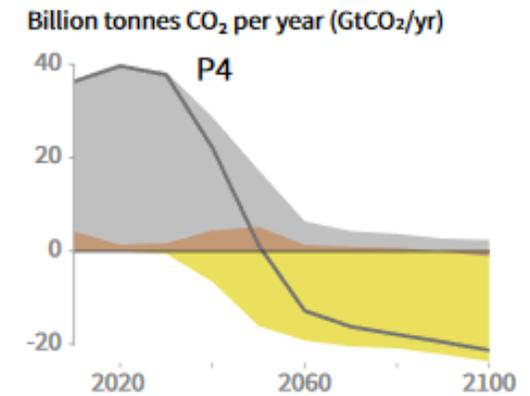
P1: A scenario in which social, business and technological innovations result in lower energy demand up to 2050 while living standards rise, especially in the global South. A downsized energy system enables rapid decarbonization of energy supply. Afforestation is the only CDR option considered; neither fossil fuels with CCS nor BECCS are used.



P2: A scenario with a broad focus on sustainability including energy intensity, human development, economic convergence and international cooperation, as well as shifts towards sustainable and healthy consumption patterns, low-carbon technology innovation, and well-managed land systems with limited societal acceptability for BECCS.



P3: A middle-of-the-road scenario in which societal as well as technological development follows historical patterns. Emissions reductions are mainly achieved by changing the way in which energy and products are produced, and to a lesser degree by reductions in demand.



P4: A resource- and energy-intensive scenario in which economic growth and globalization lead to widespread adoption of greenhouse-gas-intensive lifestyles, including high demand for transportation fuels and livestock products. Emissions reductions are mainly achieved through technological means, making strong use of CDR through the deployment of BECCS.

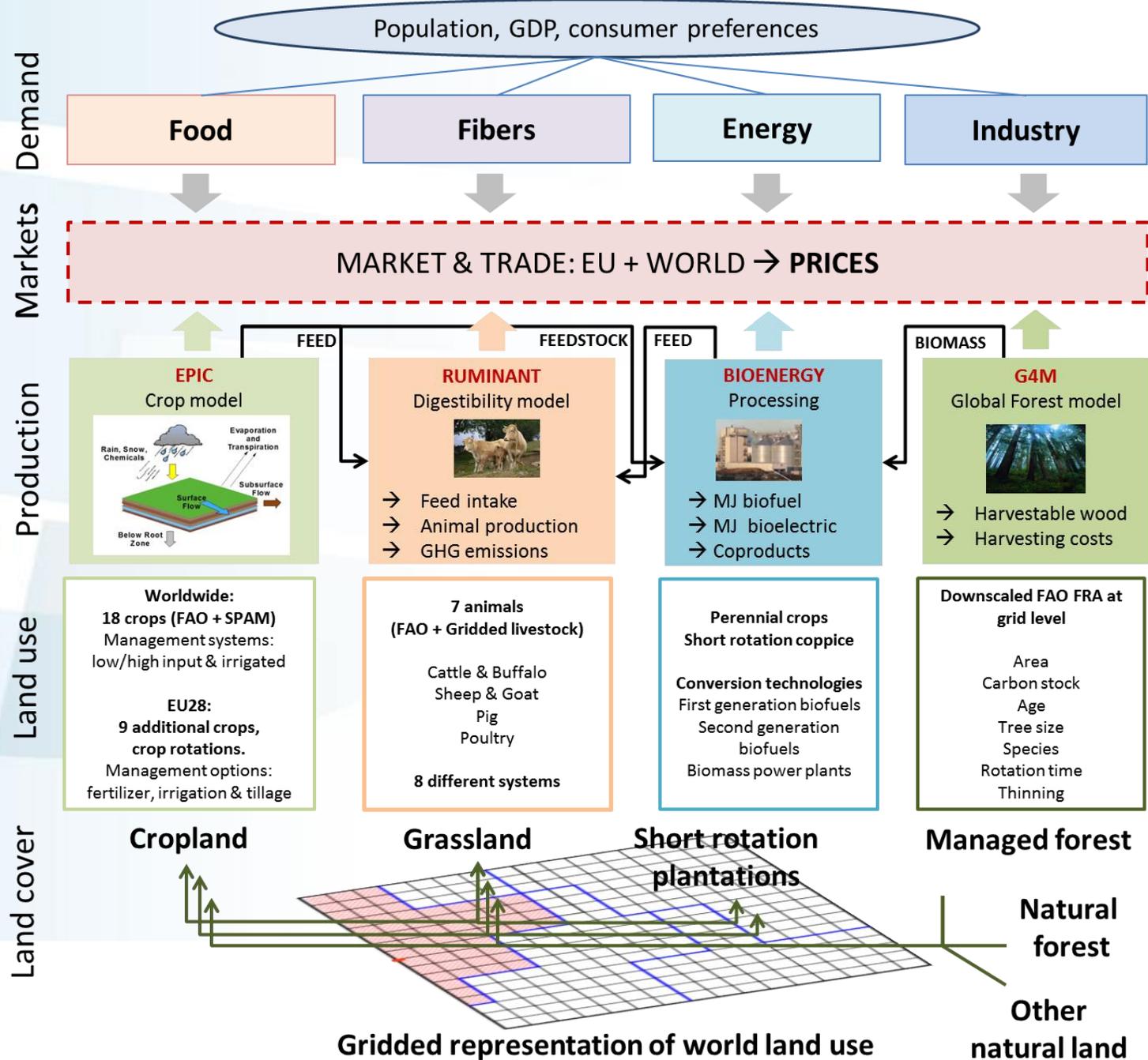
The GLOBIOM model for Impact Assessment

The GLOBIOM

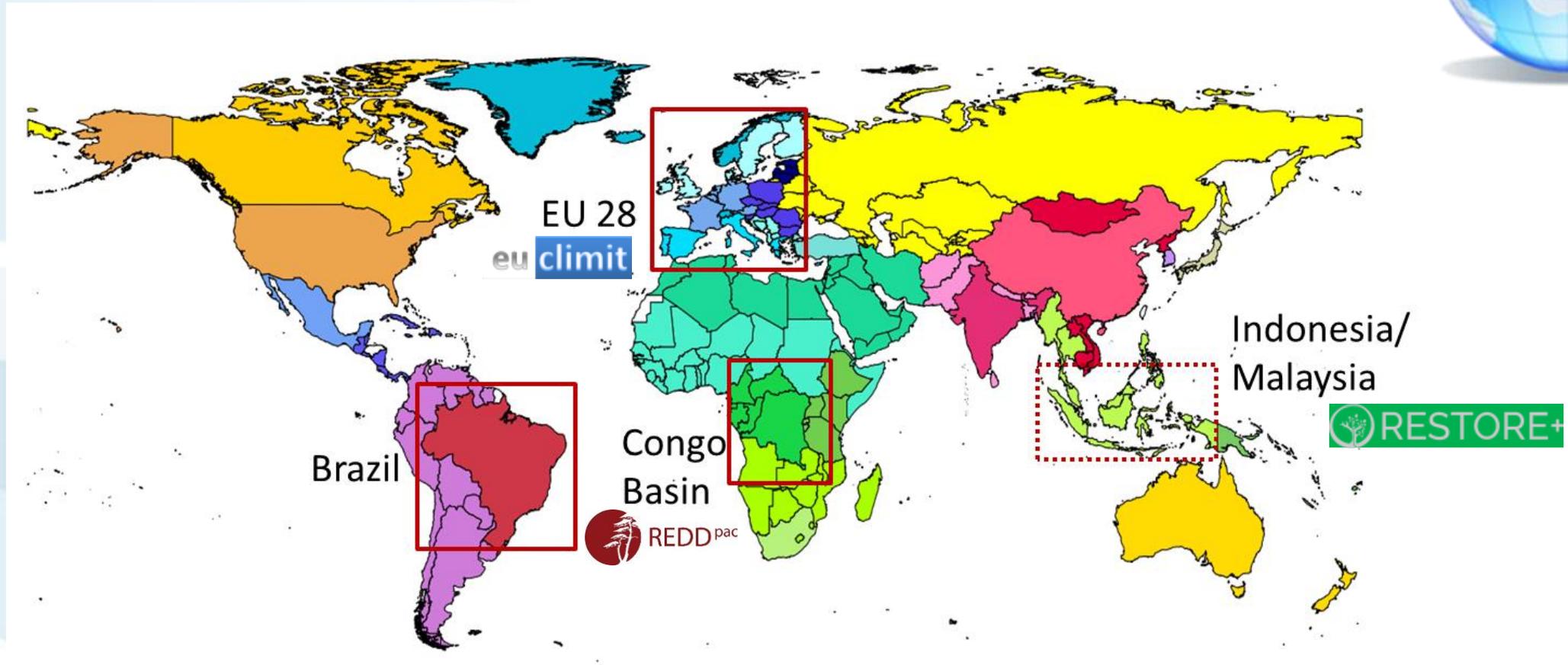


Global Biosphere Management Model

- ▶ Developed by IIASAs ESM-Program
- ▶ **Partial equilibrium model**
 - ▶ Agriculture, forestry, and bioenergy sectors
 - ▶ Global coverage, 57 world regions
- ▶ **Bilateral trade flows**
 - ▶ Spatial equilibrium approach
- ▶ **Bottom-up approach**
 - ▶ Detailed spatial resolution (>200k cells)
 - ▶ Explicit description of production technologies a la Leontief
 - ▶ Technologies specified by production system and grid cell (process-based models)
- ▶ **Land use and land use change**
 - ▶ 6 different land use types
- ▶ **Linear programming approach**
 - ▶ Maximization of consumer and producer surplus
 - ▶ Optimization constraints
- ▶ **Base year: 2000. Time step: 10 years. Time horizon: 2070/2100**



Global and Regional assessments



Scenario input/output parameters



▶ Common scenario input parameters

- ▶ Social-economic drivers (GDP, population, consumption, etc.)
- ▶ Bioenergy demand & Carbon prices
- ▶ Policies related to cascade use of wood and resource efficiency
- ▶ Changes in future consumption of goods or intermediate commodities
- ▶ Changes in availability and/or recovery of woody materials
- ▶ Protection of land areas or land-conversions



▶ Common scenario output parameters

- ▶ Future forest harvest levels and use of woody and agricultural commodities
- ▶ Future consumption of commodities and market developments
- ▶ LULUCF emissions and removals at national, regional, and global level
 - ▶ Afforestation, deforestation, forest management
 - ▶ Harvested Wood Products pool
- ▶ Changes in trade patterns
- ▶ Interconnectivities between consumption of commodities

EU detailed modeling in GLOBIOM

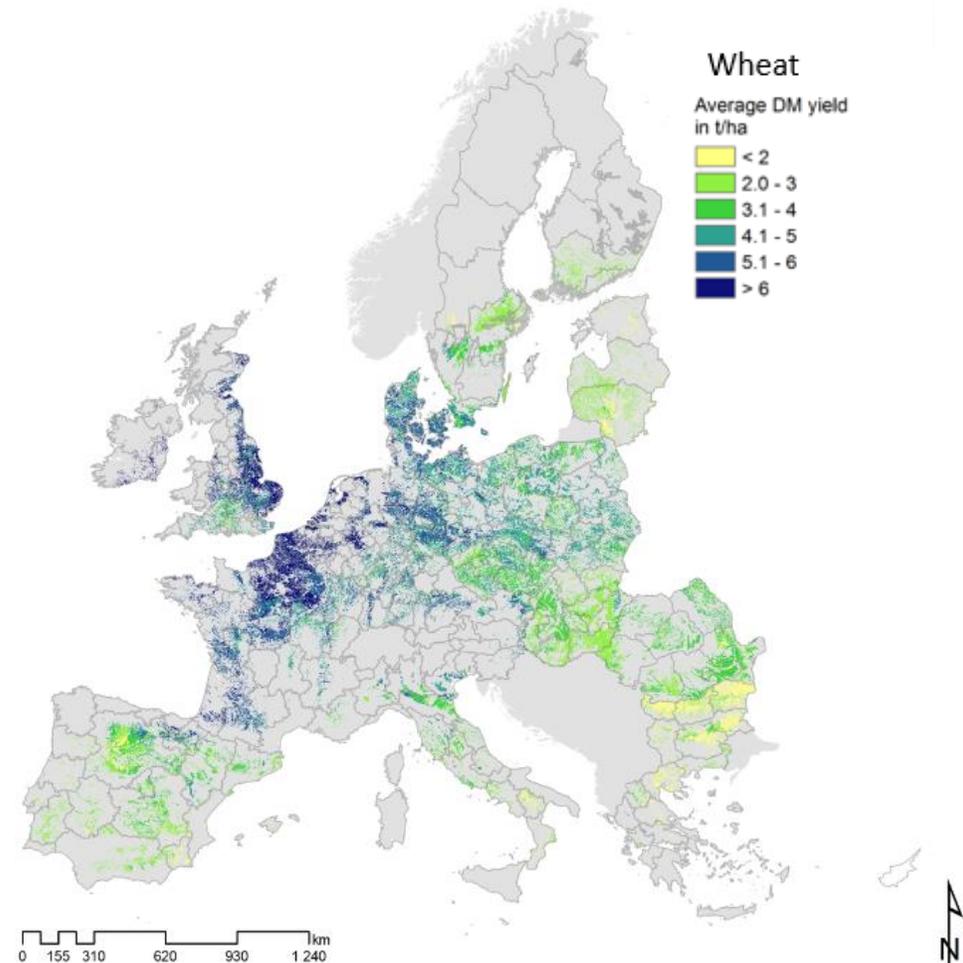
Good data availability in Europe

→ More detailed representation of EU

AFOLU sector

Enhanced details:

- ▶ Biophysical soil characteristics
- ▶ Datasets updated with EU information on management systems
- ▶ Additional crops i.e. sugar beet, oats, rye, silage, maize...
- ▶ Production, demand, areas... based on EUROSTAT
- ▶ EU common markets
- ▶ Basic resolution 1x1 km
- ▶ ~370.000 SimUs

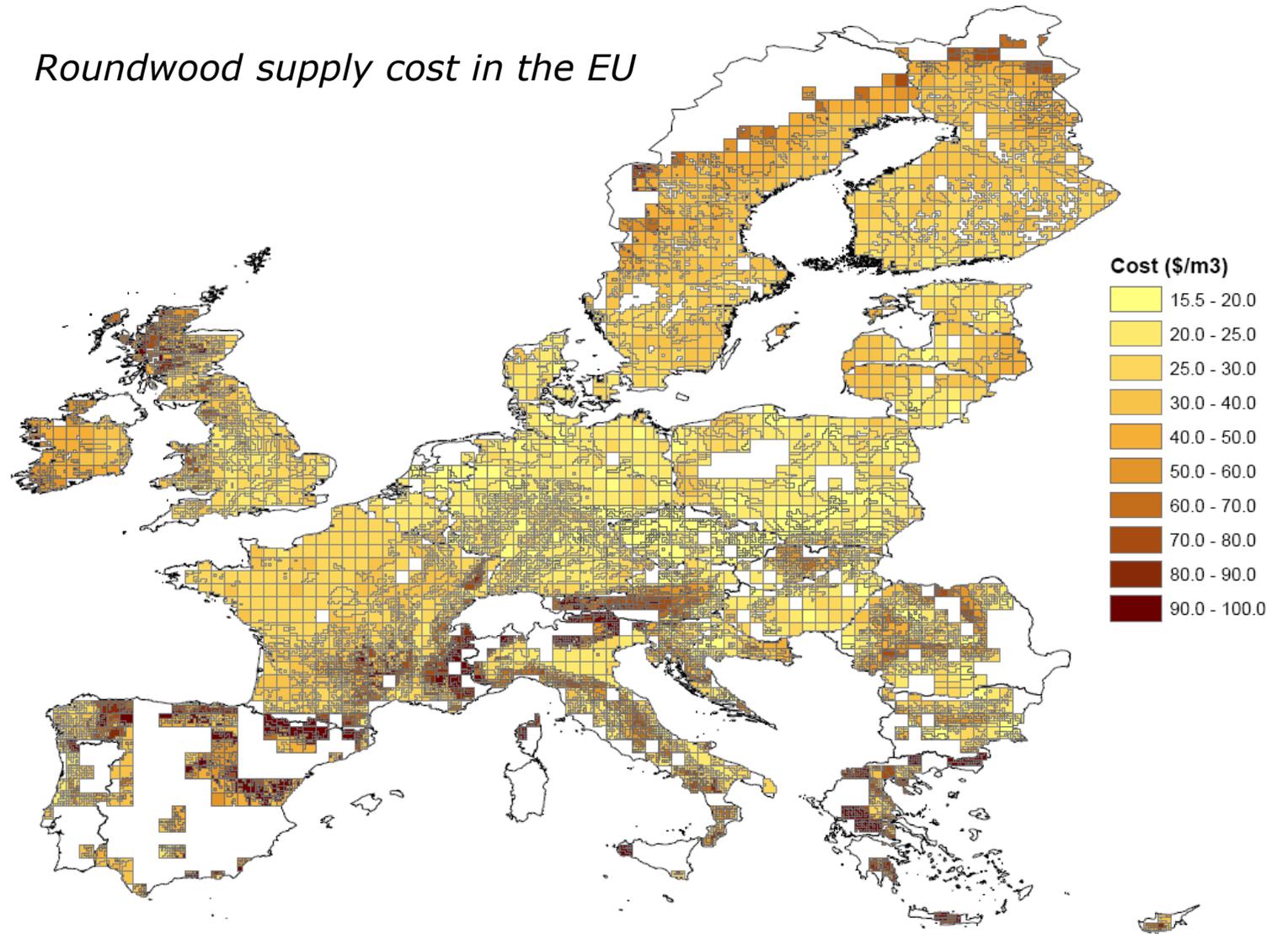


Cost accounting module in GLOBIOM



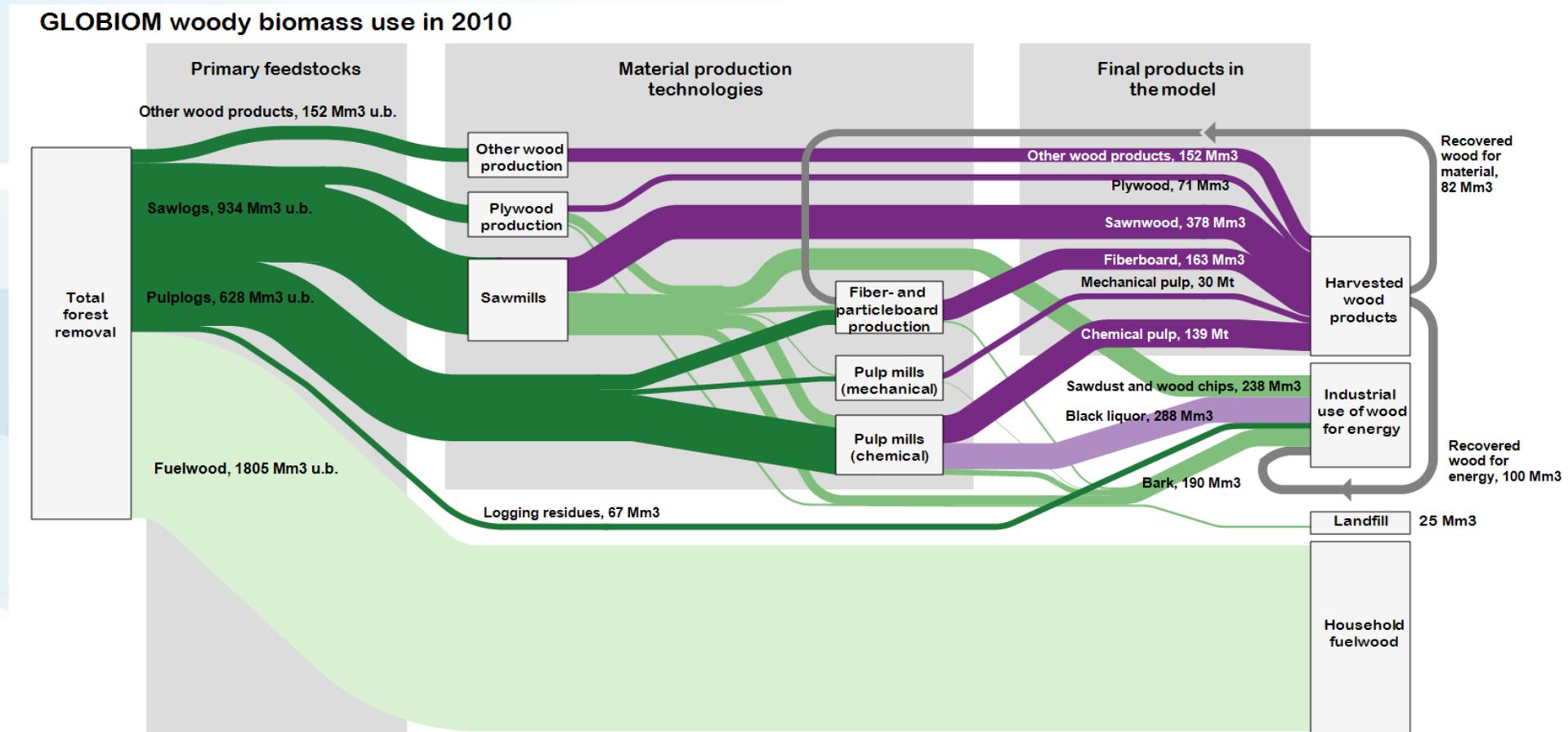
COST INDUSTRY GATE

Roundwood supply cost in the EU



Representation of wood flows in GLOBIOM

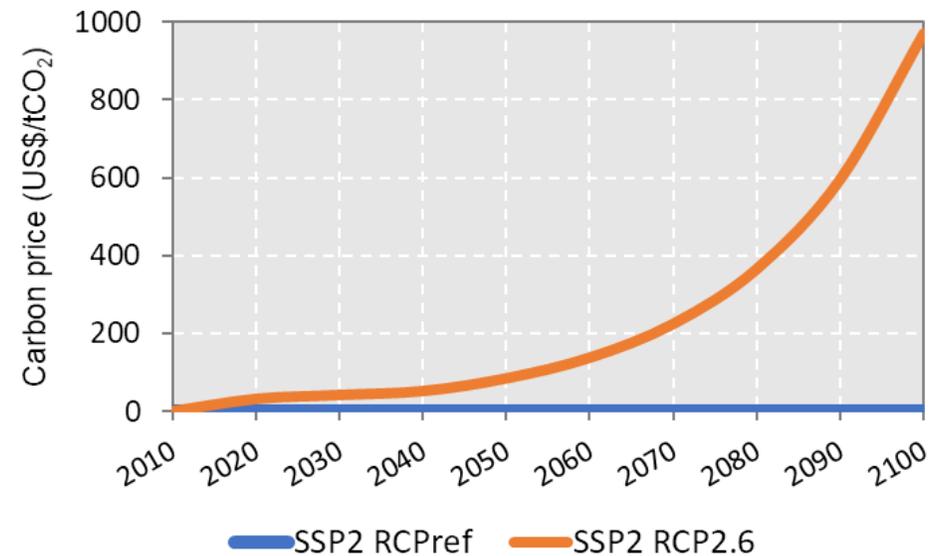
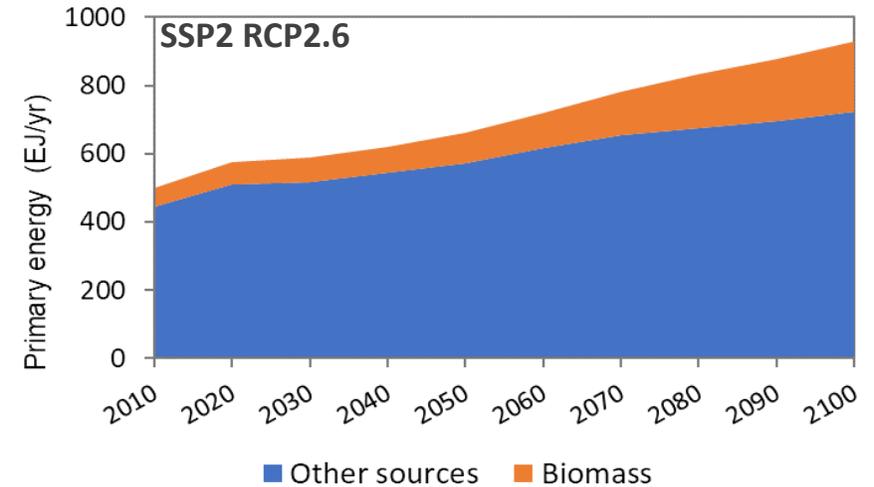
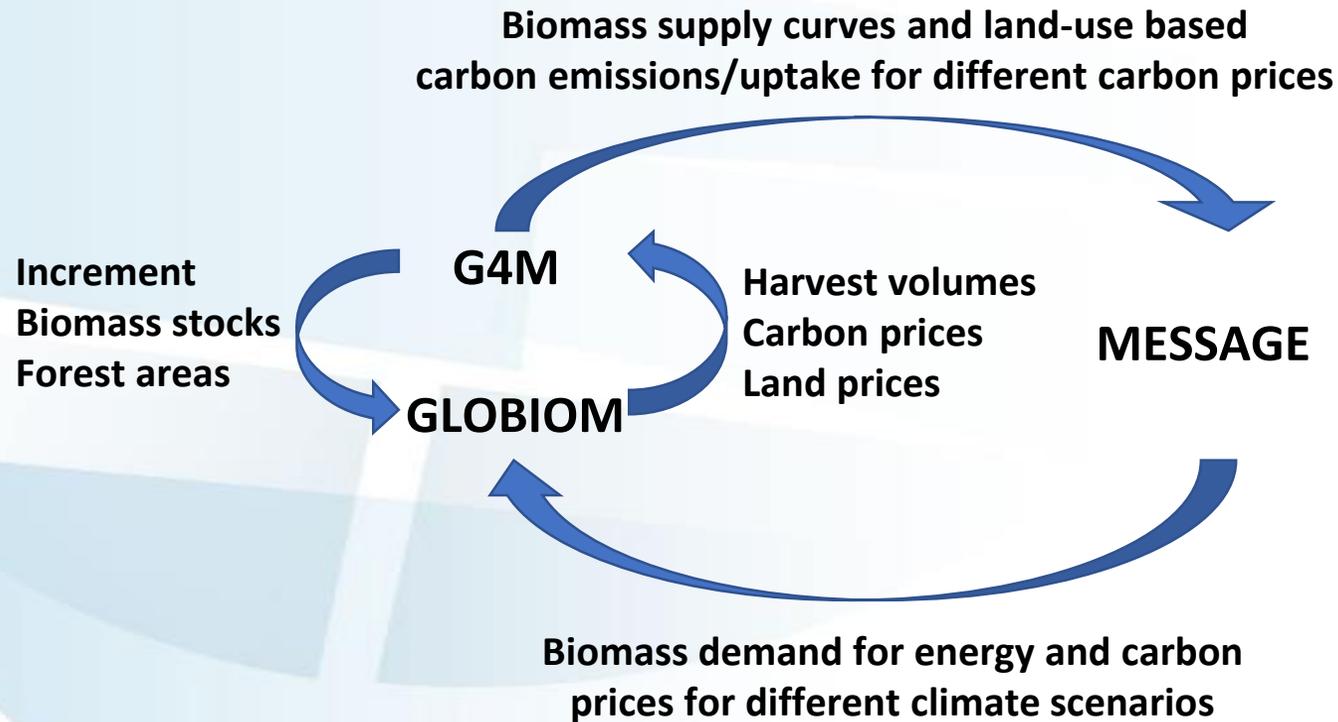
- ▶ GLOBIOM covers the main primary feedstocks, by-products, and semi-finished HWP products
- ▶ Wood flows calibrated according to FAOSTAT



Source: Lauri et al. 2017

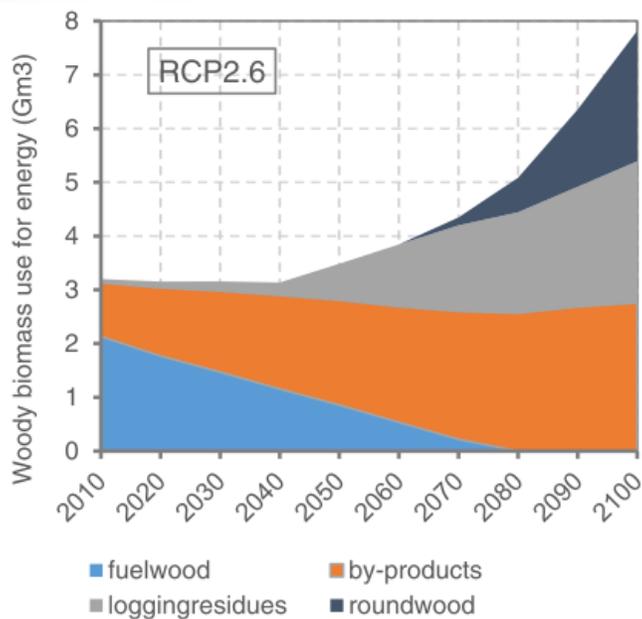
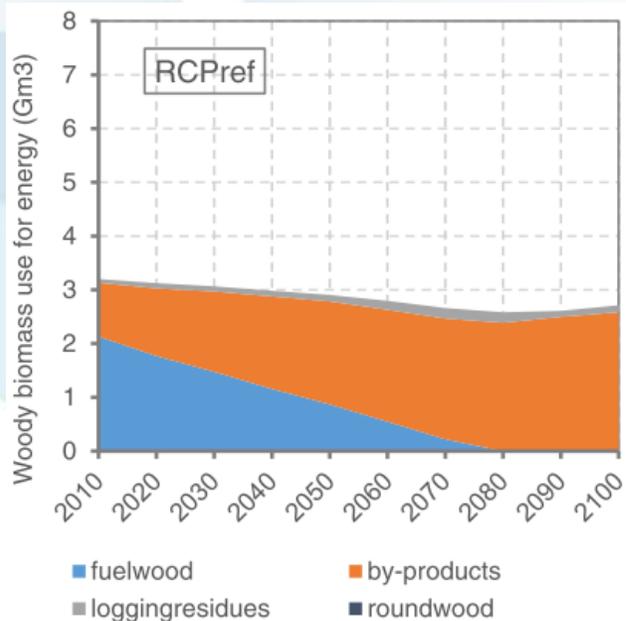
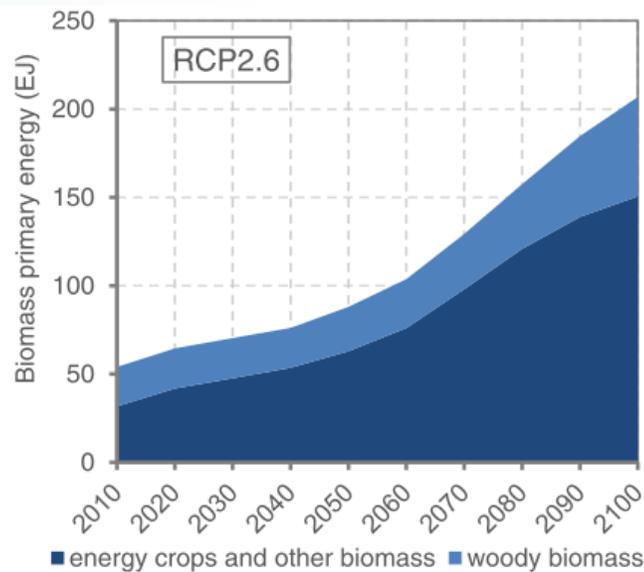
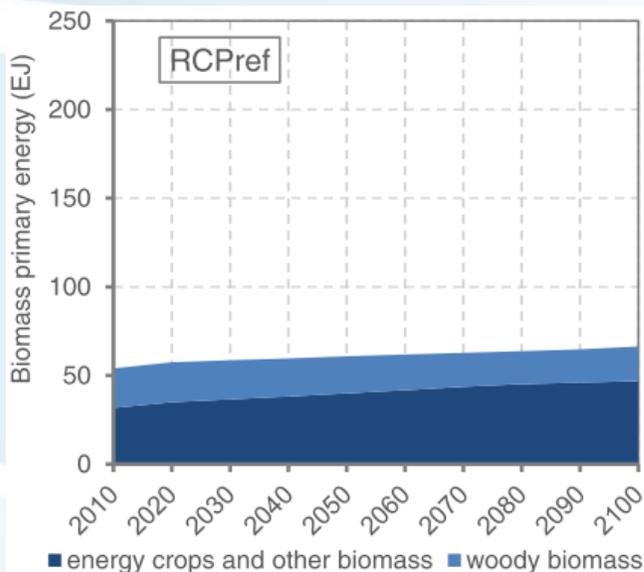
The impact of different climate targets on the forest sector

Linkage of GLOBIOM to the other IIASA's models



Source: IIASA SSPs and RCPs Public database
Lauri et al. 2017

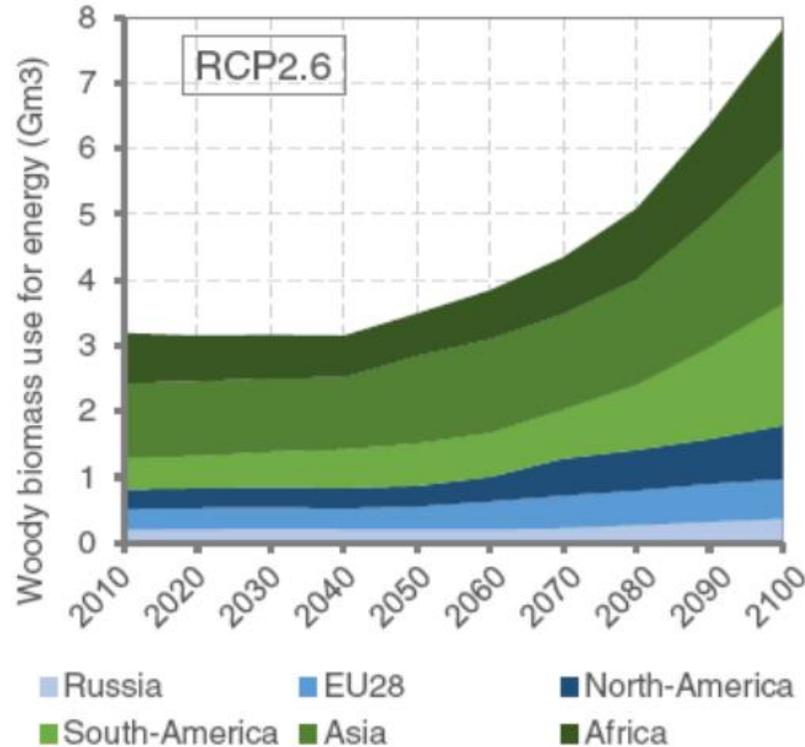
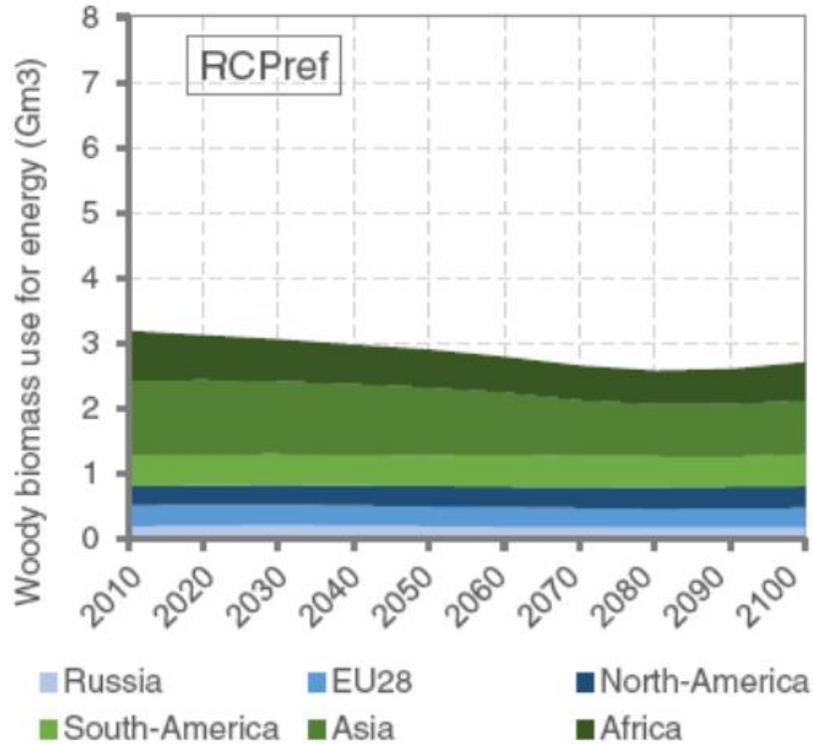
Forest sector contribution to bioenergy demand



Important increase of woody biomass use for energy in case of mitigation:

- SSP2
- BECCS
- Increase of by-products
- Increase of logging residues and roundwood use for energy
- Reduction of traditional fuelwood

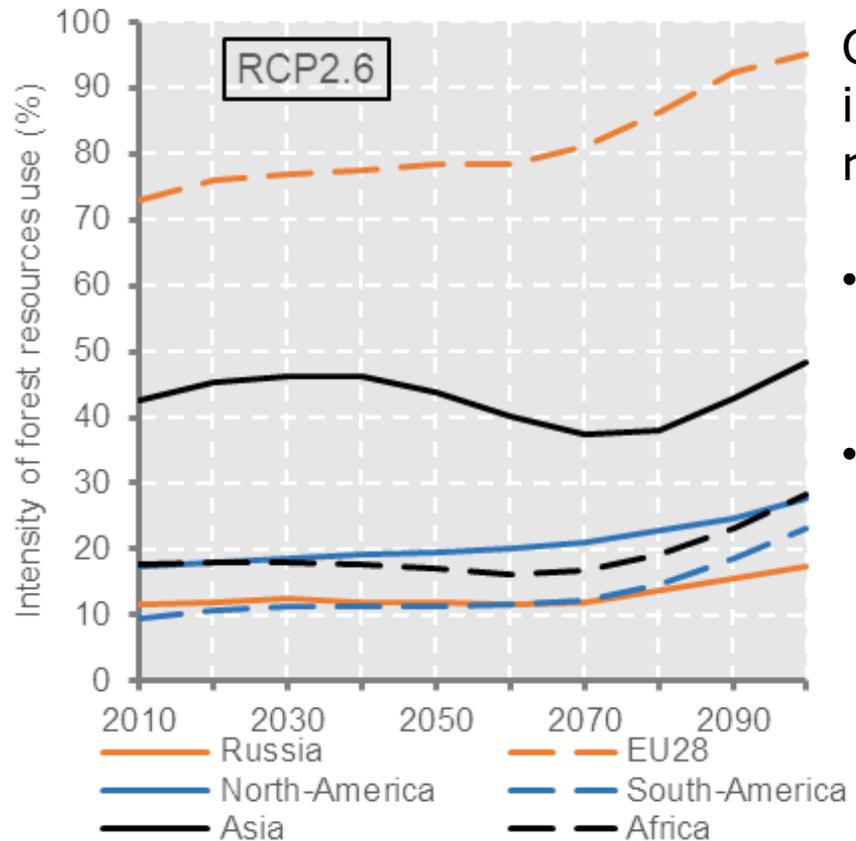
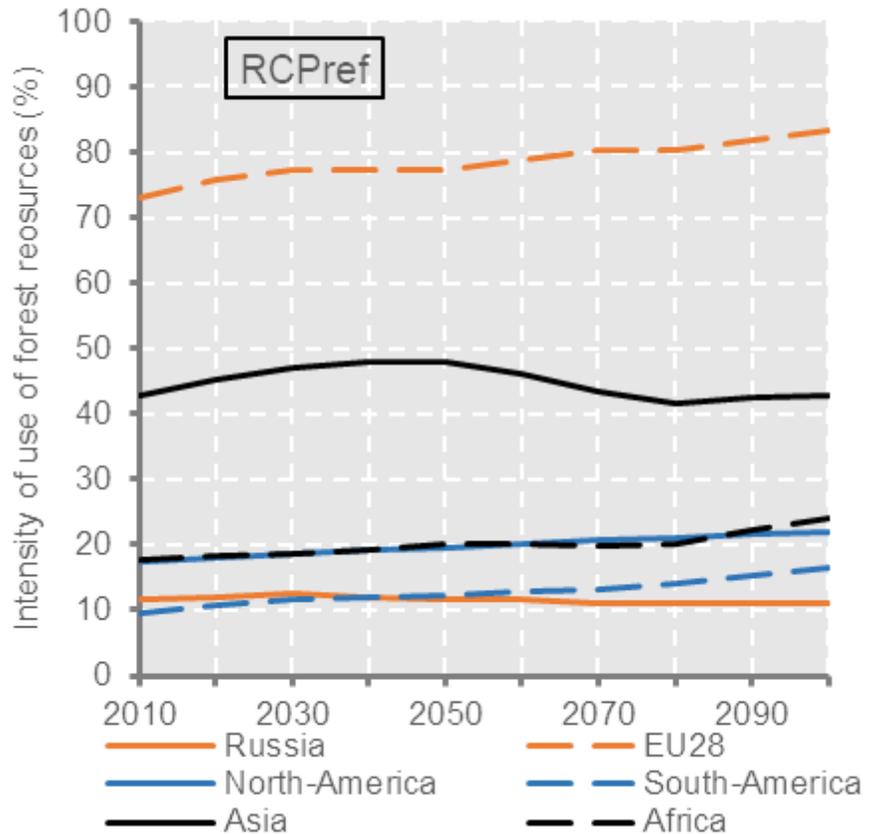
Increase of woody biomass energy use in the different Regions



Larger effects in tropical region:

- larger forest resources
- lower production costs
- faster socioeconomic development
- Effects of trade

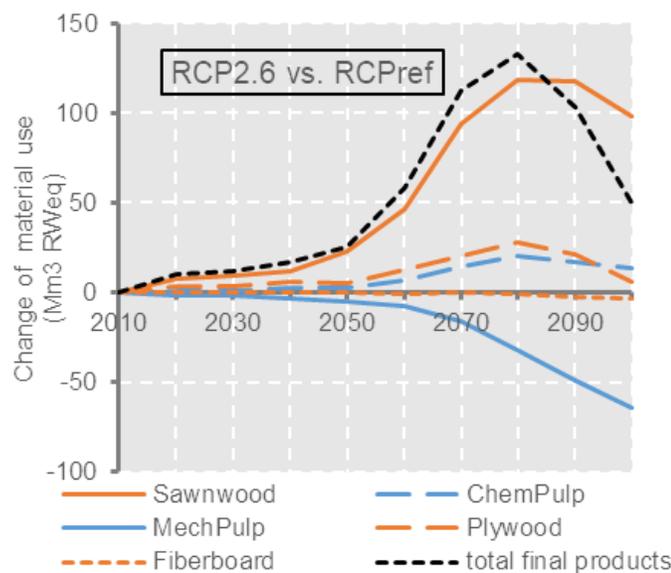
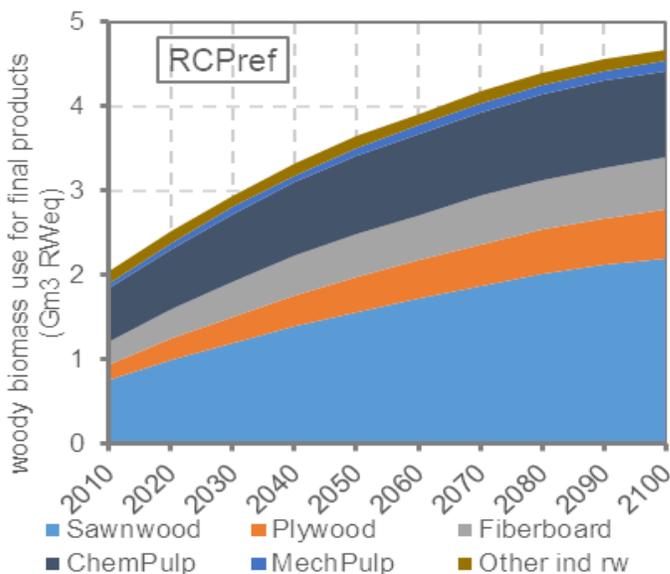
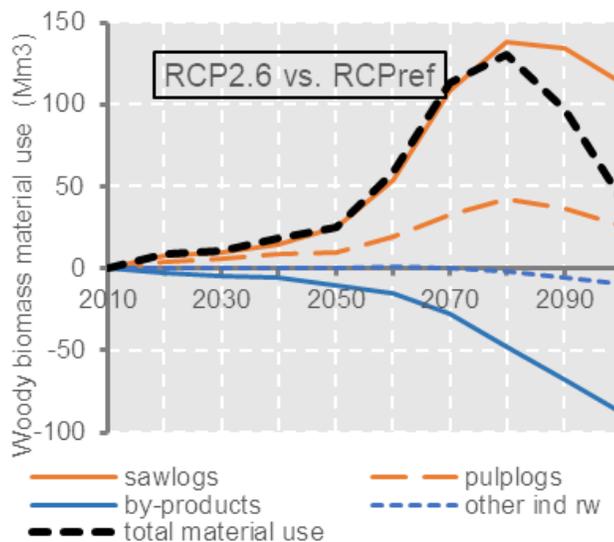
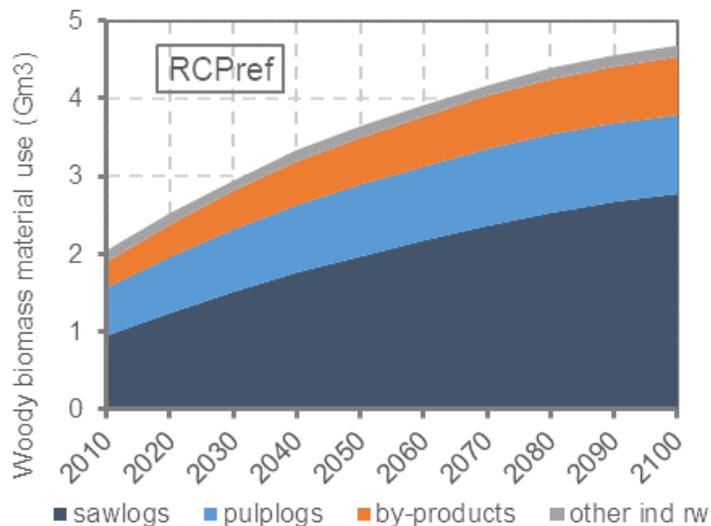
Impacts on the intensity of use of forest resources



General increase of intensity of use of forest resources:

- Strongest effect in the EU
- Tropical countries are delayed by the reduction of traditional fuelwood use

Impact of increasing bioenergy demand on the material use



Reverse U shaped trajectories:

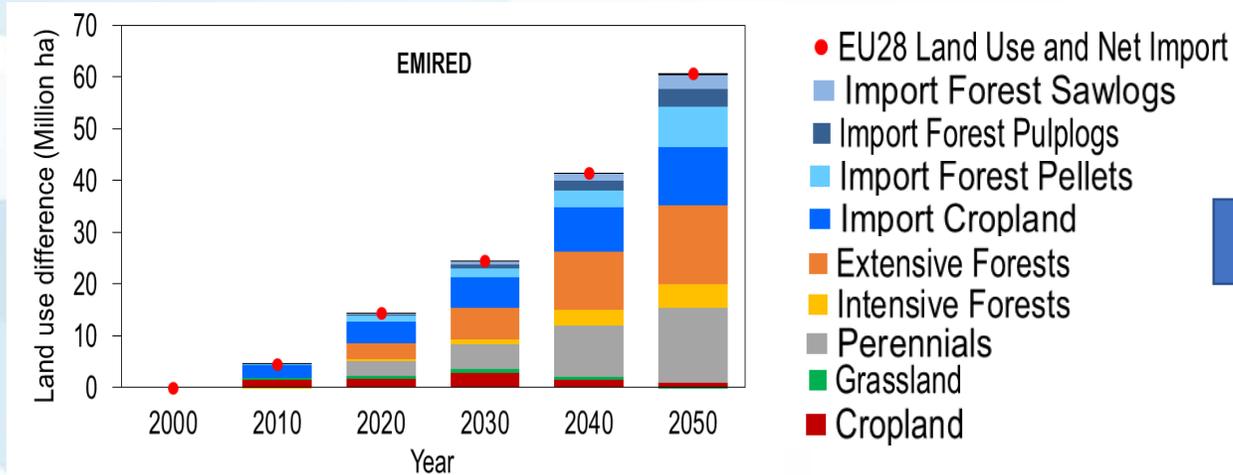
- Firstly increase of by-products
- After 2080 strong direct competition of roundwood use for energy

Another dimension of impacts: Biodiversity

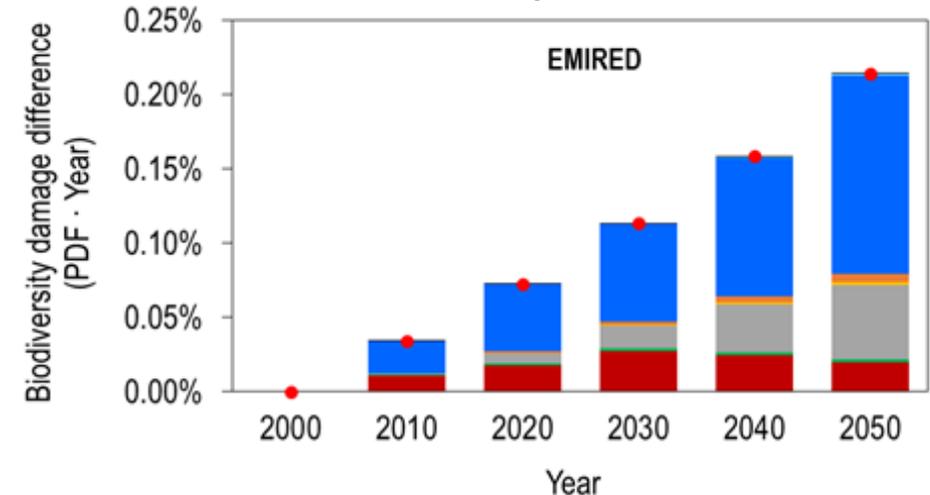
Quantification of the EU28 biodiversity footprint

- **Quantify spatially explicit LULUCF driven biodiversity loss from different EU28 policies in the bioenergy sector**
- **Investigate the potential global loss of species directly associated to land use in the EU and due to trade with other regions over time (EU footprint)**

Land use + trade



Global species loss



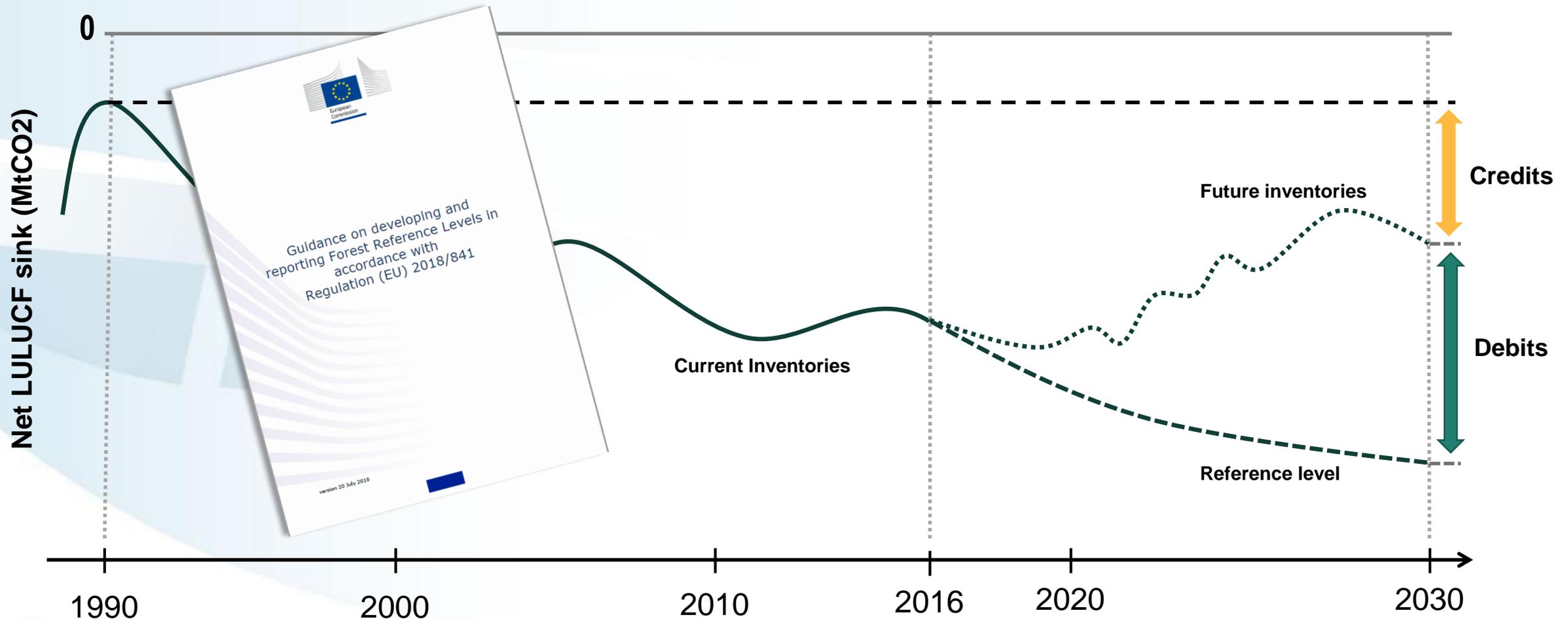
- **ILUCs effects due to expansion of energy crops in the EU**
- **Import of pellets**
- **Biodiversity trade offs between internal expansion of energy crops and import of cropland**

Looking into future applications

Importance of forest management in the EU political discussion

LULUCF EU Regulation 2018/841

- Forest management on a net-net basis against a **reference level**, where the reference level defines what the emissions would have been without changes to management of a reference period 2000-2009



Source: Forsell 2018

Adaptation of forest management alternatives to future demands

The ALTERFOR project examines alternative Forest Management Models (aFMMs) to optimize them for use in different European countries



- How the aFMMs will affect provision of Ecosystem Services at EU scale?

Global development scenarios GLOBIOM

Case study areas in nine countries

29 new aFMMs

GLOBIOM optimizes the aFMMs combinations in the EU for future demands

EU scale uptake of the aFMMs and impact assessment

Improve global mapping of forest management



Illustration: S.Harris

“Nature Map Earth” project
launched in the spring
2019 at
IIASA

<https://naturemap.earth>



Summary and Conclusion

- ▶ Large structural changes are required to reach international climate targets.
- ▶ A lot of different pathways exist to reach climate targets, not just one solution that will fit all countries and all sectors.
- ▶ More and more information about the potential impacts on the forest sector for reaching a climate target is becoming available.
- ▶ Integrated markets require to consider the interactions between different global regions.
- ▶ Including the trade-offs between different ecosystem services has become essential.

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