THE "SUSTAINABLE FOREST ENERGY" PROJECT

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PROJECT OPERATORS & AREA

- Forest Centre
 - The project leader
 - Information, events and excursions
 - Project manager and two bioenergy advisors
- Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences
 - Research and development
 - Research manager, researcher and part-time researchers
- Funding: The European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development

THE AIM OF PROJECT

- To yield forest energy information by research
- To inform about forest energy
- To increase production and utilisation of forest energy
- To increase profitability of primary producers
- To increase regional economics
- To decrease the use of fossil fuels
- To increase energy self-sufficiency in the area
- To prevent climate change

TARGET GROUP & OUTPUTS

- The target groups and main beneficiaries
 - Primary producers of forestry and agriculture, heating entrepreneurs, machine entrepreneurs and citizens of the target area
- Outputs of the project
 - Forest energy publications in magazines, newspapers, guidebooks, publication series and internet
 - Theme days, seminars & excursions



WORK PACKAGES

- 1. Technology
- 2. Profitability
- 3. Environment
- 4. Information



TECHNOLOGY

- Moisture and drying properties of energy wood
- Quality of energy wood
- Energy wood harvesting machines
- Crane scale measurement
- Possibilities of the local-scale CHP -technology
- Energy-wood logging machine exhibitions in the school forest



PROFITABILITY

- Effect of wood moisture to energy wood business
- Energy wood or industrial wood?
- Development of energy wood procurement
- Effects of state subsidies and emissions trading to energy wood business
- Profitability of Scots pine stump harvesting
- Tools for heating entrepreneurs for checking of the price of heat energy
- Bioenergy terminals



ENVIRONMENT

- Environmentally-friendly energy wood harvesting in young stands
- Utilization of wood ash



INFORMATION

- Seminars
- Theme days
- Excursions
- Work exhibitions
- Guidebooks
- Work safety
- Project homepage



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