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# Green focus: biobuilding and sustainability

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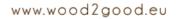














# Introduction:



## Company's Description:

Founded in 2000, the company manufactures wooden floor, pieces of unique design to cover walls and ceilings, renewing antique woods, coming from mountain valleys, rural settlements, houses and haylofts, mountain cottages.

#### Sub-sectors affected:

- X Carpentry (2nd Transformation)
- X Wood and furniture sector in general
- X Others: a) Antique wood flooring and new.
  - b) Wooden floors and leather.
  - c) Wooden floors and metal.
  - d) Wood panelled old and new.
  - e) Panelled wood and leather / leather.

Costs	€
(and/or investment,return on investment, employment indicator):	22 employees Economic information not available



#### **Implementation Process:**

The company has a corporate policy aimed at achieving objectives at a high level of quality and service. Production is balanced with what is required by the customer, and a long-term planning. They measure customer satisfaction, thanks to the investigations carried out in a systematic way that allows it to know specifically needs.

## Initiated practices:

Customer requests are on: high quality, pieces of unique design, in harmony with the principles of eco-sustainability. Raw materials and components are top quality and exclusively Italian. Designs belong exclusively to the company, having been adopted from traditional and typically Italian manufacturing techniques. All products comply with occupational health and safety standards, and utmost respect for the environment is placed in the production process. Raw material -antique wood- is recovered and new material is FSC certified, meaning that it has been obtained as a result of controlled deforestation. Support panelling is PEFC certified, meaning that the glues used are free from formaldehyde and pentachlorophenol. Product finish is achieved with waxes-oils obtained from products extracted from nature, such as linseed oil, hempseed oil, sunflower oil, propolis, bees wax and carnauba wax, which give floors and panelling a soft and luminous quality.

### **Results:**

Since 2006 Antico È srl has reorganised itself in compliance with UNI ISO EN 9001:2000 norms. It has also certified with CERMET for 'Planning and production of floors and walls, covering, ceilings and stairs in ancient and new wood and wood combined with stones'.

ANTICO E' has obtained a certificate from the Institute for the Protection of Italian Manufacturers because it has proven that it manufactures products with its own trademark, manages its own design department and has its own distribution. Products are manufactured entirely in Italy. Product identification and traceability are available during all phases of production. Row material and traded product credentials and certificates are available and traced as well.

## **Recommendations:**

Green Focus: bio-building in harmony with the principles of eco-sustainability.



# **Conclusions:**

Focusing on certifications, recycling and giving the materials new life by the reuse and final depletion (cascade process).

### More information :

The product is considered to be of a good standard, relying on a percentage of returns and / or faults around 1%.

Polishing and unnailing: retrieved wood is worked in mountain sawmill, where expert hands clean planks and beams and start the delicate procedure of transformation. Thanks to a metal detector, all nails and rusted pieces are singled out and extracted one by one, until they are completely eliminated.

## Keywords:

- X Cascade use of wood
- X Recycling
- X Marketing

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