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# Ecology and requirements on wood packaging

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## Introduction:

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## Company's Description:

CAMA wood and paper packing has been operating in the industrial packing sector for over 15 years. The company produces and exports packing for shipment and handling of goods with FITOK Voluntary Phytosanitary Mark (VPM). Its products are: customized and regenerated pallets, wooden packaging, cardboard boxes, plastic pallets and the « Camangolare », a patented packing system, designed for transport and handling of goods, constructed with wood coming from controlled deforestation.

## Sub-sectors affected:

X Packing and packaging (2nd Transformation)

## Implementation Process:

In worldwide trade, over 80% of goods are handled using wood packaging materials, including pallets, cases and crates. The need for standardization of the phytosanitary measures introduced by governments is growing worldwide in order to protect the world's forests and safeguard against the spread of harmful organisms associated with wood packaging materials. The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), a member organization of FAO recognized by the WTO (World Trade Organization), has drawn up a set of rules known as ISPM 15. These are internationally recognized phytosanitary measures providing guidelines for regulating wood packaging. More and more countries in the world are adopting these measures. The standard allows for two treatment methods for

wood packaging: heat treatment and methyl bromide treatment. Today, all the packaging materials used in international trade, including shipments to the USA, Canada and China, have to be treated according to the requirements established by ISPM 15.

### **Initiated practices:**

In 2004, the European Union issued Directive 2004/102/EC, according to which all packaging materials entering and leaving Europe must be treated as provided by the ISPM 15 Standard. In July 2005, the Italian Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry has recognized the Consorzio Legno-Sughero (Wood and Bark Consortium) as the entity in charge of the IPPC/FAO mark in Italy and has approved regulations on the use of the FITOK Voluntary Phytosanitary Mark (VPM). FITOK, in addition to adopting all the measures aimed at ensuring the enforcement of the ISPM 15 rules, is also authorized to issue certification for the treatment processes conducted by manufacturers of wood packaging. Every manufacturer of treated materials must obtain prior certification of its treatment processes from the ICILA Certification Agency, and must also pass inspection by the SGS Certification Agency, which conducts inspection visits on at least a yearly basis. CAMA also applied for and obtained authorization to carry out the sterilization operations on the wood as well as the packaging.

### **Results:**

Cama's production has The FIT OK MARK. The company uses wood from countries where the deforestation system is controlled. The main area of supply of the raw material is Austria, a country known for its extremely strict environmental policy. The company's thermal plant uses as fuel the waste from the company's own processes, in order to heat the entire work area.

### **Recommendations:**

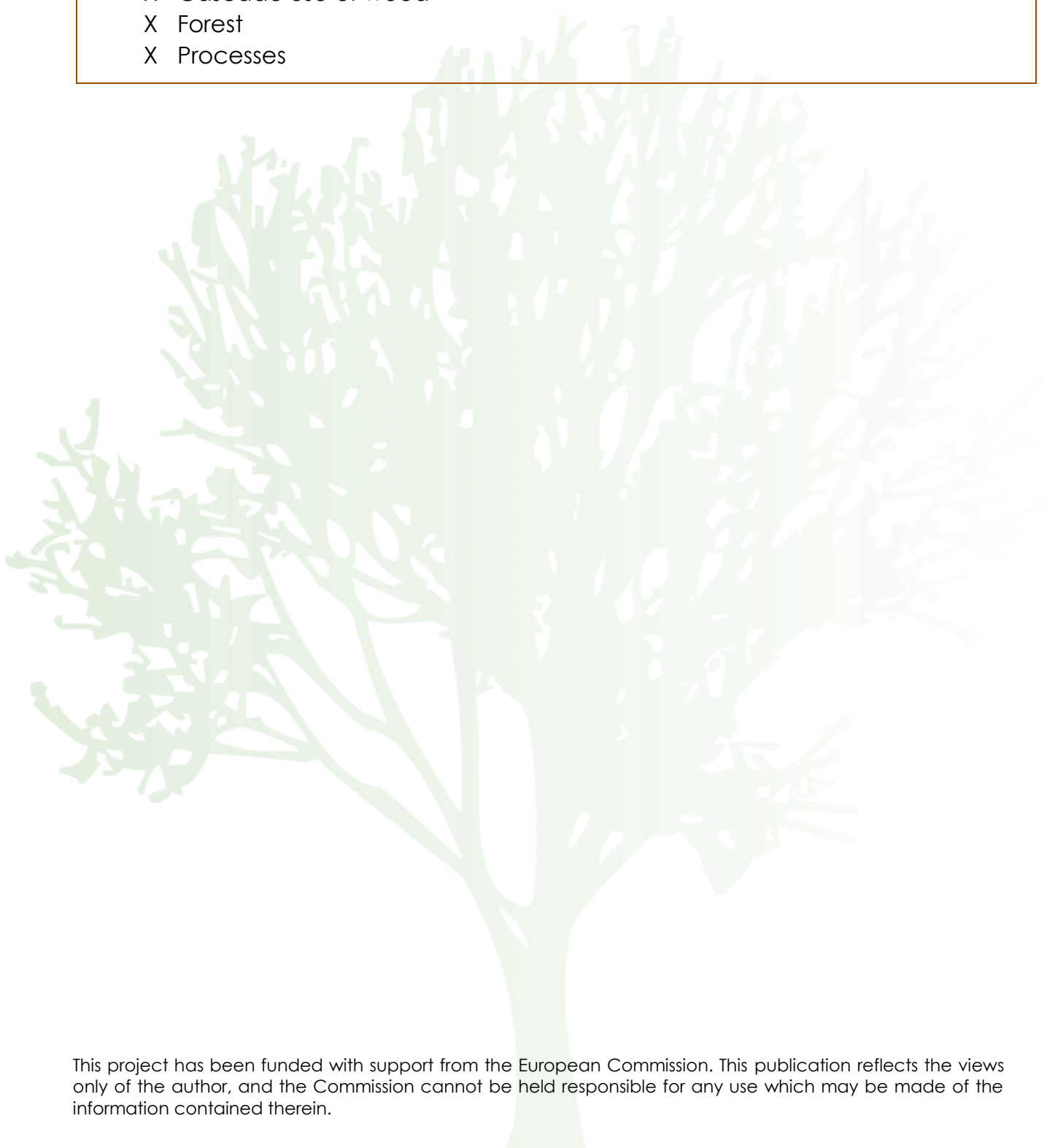
Ecology and "FIT OK MARK" for importations and exportations.

### **Conclusions:**

In order to bear a leading role, it's necessary to respect the laws, but it is also important to go beyond and often anticipate international market requests. It's also relevant to invest in research for innovative solutions. The company is proud of its experienced design department, where innovative and personalized projects are constantly being created and developed.

**Keywords:**

- X Cascade use of wood
- X Forest
- X Processes



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