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# Production Without Waste?!

## Case study of Slovenian paper industry

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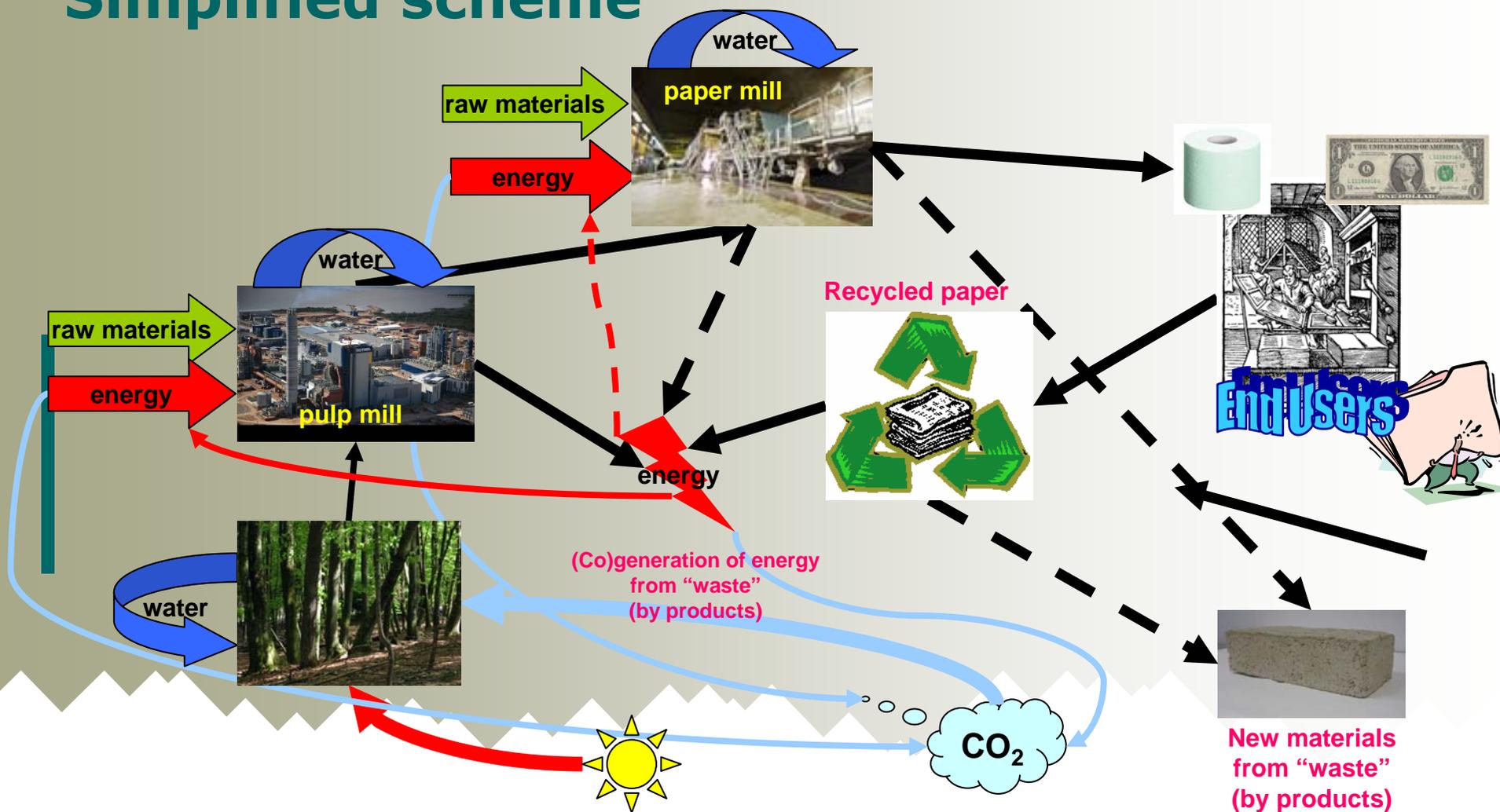


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# Material streams in papermaking

## Simplified scheme



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# Slovenian paper industry

## Facts & figures:

- Eight paper and cardboard mills.
- No virgin cellulose pulp mills
- Two “deinking” plants:
  - One chemomechanical “deinking” plant (flotation),
  - One washing “deinking” plant.
- Two integrated mechanical pulp plants (groundwood pulp).
- 17 machines:
  - 5 cardboard machines,
  - 4 tissue / crepe machines,
  - 8 paper machines

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## Facts & figures:

| Product type (tons)                          | 2006          | 2007          |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Fibres</b>                                | <b>216100</b> | <b>184400</b> |
| Coniferous mechanical pulp (groundwood pulp) | 34800         | 39300         |
| Deinking pulp                                | 119600        | 145100        |
| Non-bleached sulphite cellulose              | 10500         | 0             |
| Bleached sulphite cellulose                  | 51200         | 0             |
| <b>Paper and cardboard</b>                   | <b>687500</b> | <b>725100</b> |
| Newsprint                                    | 116700        | 120200        |
| Coated Paper                                 | 140800        | 150600        |
| Printing and office paper                    | 126000        | 140100        |
| Packaging paper                              | 1600          | 800           |
| Tissue paper                                 | 68800         | 72900         |
| Cardboard                                    | 233600        | 240500        |
| <b>Corrugated board</b>                      | <b>82100</b>  | <b>86800</b>  |
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The estimated Slovenian fibre and paper production in 2006 and 2007, specified by product type (*Papir, 2006*, 34, 12; GZS, big and medium size enterprises survey, 2007).

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## Environment-orientated investments:

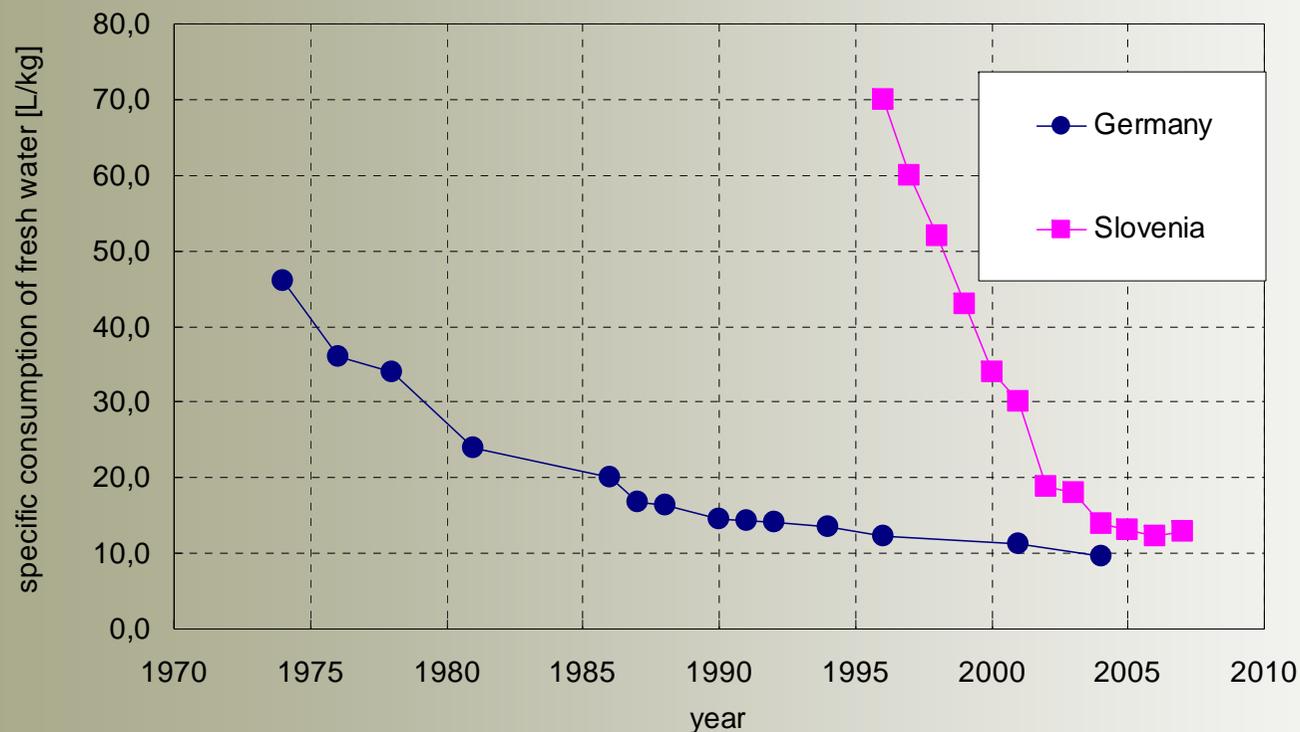
| Field       | Investment<br>[mil. EUR] | Share        |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Water       | 98.6                     | 77.4 %       |
| Solid waist | 8.7                      | 6.8 %        |
| Air         | 18.8                     | 14.8%        |
| Noise       | 1.3                      | 1.0 %        |
| <b>Sum</b>  | <b>127.4</b>             | <b>100 %</b> |

Specified estimation of necessary environmental-orientated investment in P&P to comply with BREF. (DITP Symposium, Bled, 2000).

- Environmental investments in 2007: **13,2 MEUR**

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## Trends in specific water consumption



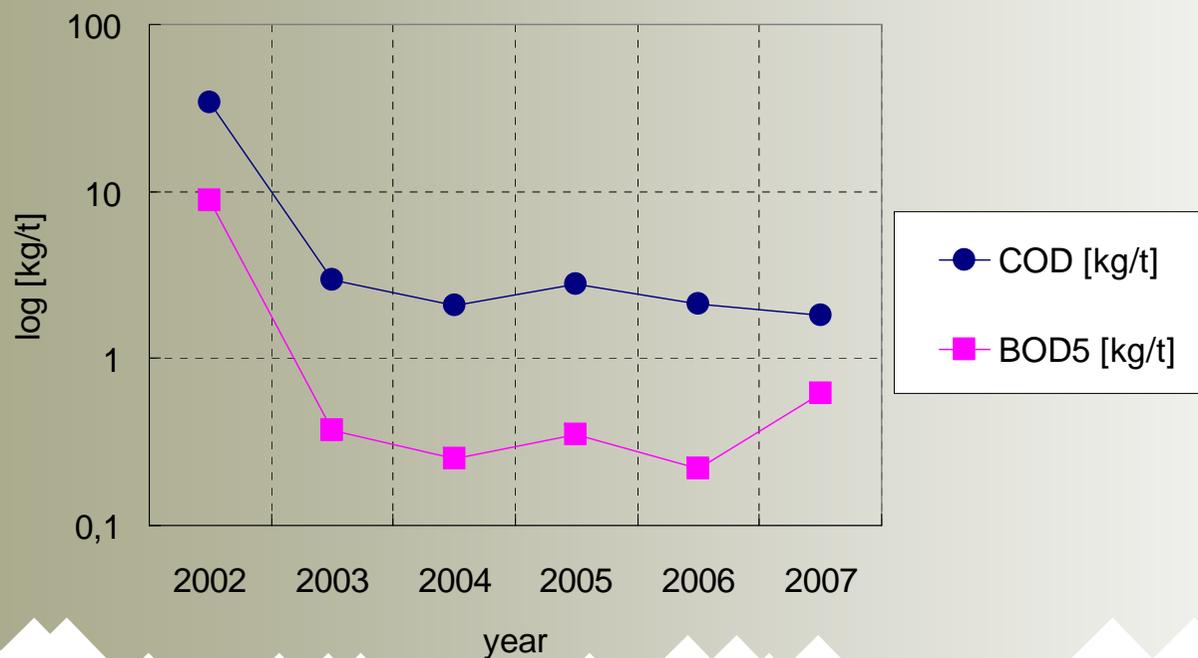
Reduction of specific fresh water consumption (L/kg) in Slovenian and German pulp and paper industry (PTS-MS 619, "Environmental report 2007").

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## Trends in specific emissions

| Emission                | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| COD [kg/t]              | 34.2 | 2.96 | 2.07 | 2.8  | 2.1  | 1.8  |
| BOD <sub>5</sub> [kg/t] | 8.8  | 0.37 | 0.25 | 0.35 | 0.22 | 0.62 |



Reduction of COD and BOD<sub>5</sub> (kg/t) in Slovenian pulp and paper industry ("Environmental report 2006", Environmental report 2007").

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## Trends in specific emissions

| <b>Emission</b>         | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>2006</b> | <b>2007</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Suspended solids [kg/t] | 32.4        | 0.3         | 0.22        | 0.4         | 0.5         | 0.3         |
| AOX [g Cl/t]            | 20          | 3           | 2.2         | 2           | 2           | 1           |
| N [g N/t]               | 290         | 90          | 56          | 43          | 59          | 92          |
| P [g P/t]               | 16          | 9           | 5.6         | 5           | 5           | 3.6         |

Reduction of emission parameters (kg/t) in Slovenian pulp and paper industry ("Environmental report 2006, Environmental report 2007").

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## **GEP/GIP case-study: Količevo cardboard mill**

Upgrading of existing aerobic wastewater treatment plant with an anaerobic reactor and biogas-driven electric generator.

### The benefices:

- 50 % reduction of costs from environmental taxes,
- 66 % less biosludge from aerobic stage,
- cogeneration of “green” electricity and heat at 0.5 MW power plant.
- Production of “green” electricity: 2900 MWh/y

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## GEP/GIP case-study: Količevo cardboard mill



Anaerobic reactor and biogas reservoir at Količevo Karton wastewater treatment plant (donated by MM Količevo Katon, mag. Leon Kaluža).

Biogas powered motor with generator at Količevo Karton wastewater treatment plant (donated by MM Količevo Katon, mag. Leon Kaluža).



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## GEP/GIP case-study: VIPAP Krško paper mill

- Total amount of solid waste in VIPAP in 2007: 74400 t (as are, including moisture).
- Bark, sludge, and rejects represent 79 % of all solid waste.
- (Co)incineration of waste represents:
  - 100 % of fuel in boiler No.5
  - 24 % of fuel in boiler No.4
- Reduction of waste amount by incineration:
  - Bark: 95 %,
  - Sludge: 70 %.

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## GEP/GIP case-study: VIPAP Krško paper mill

- Thermal energy acquired from waste (co)incineration:
  - Bark: 76 TJ (CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduced by 6800 t/y),
  - Sludge: 229 TJ (CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduced by 20500 t/y).
- If this waste was landfilled and entirely transformed to methane it would generate 9900 t/y of methane (with a GWP of 208000 t equivalent of CO<sub>2</sub>).
- Waste Framework Directive (2006/12/EC, with revisions from 2008) prefers energy production from waste in comparison with landfilling.

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## GEP/GIP case-study: VIPAP Krško paper mill



Boiler No.5 at VIPAP Videm Krško, 100 % fueled with waste (donated by VIPAP Videm Krško, Mrs. Aleksandra Račič Kozmus).

Sludge processing at VIPAP Videm Krško (donated by VIPAP Videm Krško, Mrs. Aleksandra Račič Kozmus).



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## GEP/GIP case-study: B&B Vevče paper mill

- Construction of new wastewater treatment plant (WWTP):
  - Capacity: 28000 PU
  - Flow: 3000 – 3500 m<sup>3</sup>/day
- Reduction of Sava river basin water pollution:
  - COD: 250 mg/L => 60-80 mg/L (> 70 %);
  - BOD5: 120 mg/L => 3-7 mg/L (> 95 %).
  - Reduction of COD load/ year: > 160 t.
  - Reduction of BOD5 load/ year: > 100 t.

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WWTP (donated by Paper Mill Vevče, Mr. Marko Jagodič).



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# Slovenian paper industry & ICP

## R&D case-study: line of projects with goal in production of new materials from "waste"



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### Example:

By appropriate combinations of solid "waste" materials (i.e.: sludge, ash) which can not be deposited even at municipal landfills, it is possible to produce applicable materials which may be used among other also for landfill sanitation.

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# ICP - short introduction

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# ICP - short introduction

## Main activities:

- Research and development
- Consultancy.
- Training and education.
- Testing of products and raw materials.
- Monitoring of solid waste.
- Pilot plant trials and production.

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## Main areas of research:

- Fiber properties.
- Deinking technologies.
- Paper surface characterization.
- Graphic processes.
- Modelling and simulation of paper production.
- Water loop closing and emissions.
- Efficient methods of water treatment.
- Solid waste and its reuse.

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## Main professional challenges for the future:

- Use of nanomaterials and technologies in papermaking.
- Improved characteristics of paper surface.
- Clean technologies (reduced emissions and energy consumption).
- Reuse of solid wastes as secondary raw materials.
- Forest- and water-based biorafinery.

## Co-financers of research activities in ICP



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