

### Case study – Maribor, Slovenia



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### **Case study – a story behind**



- Maribor the second large city in Slovenia
- Problem of air quality
- Existing heating network
- Meeting at ministry for environment how to get better environment
- Pilot project Maribor HEATED WITH WOOD









- Specify the availability of wood biomass potential and amount of wood biomass available depending on required quality (moisture, type of wood – deciduous/coniferous, ...);
- Figure out whether there is enough available feedstock in the nearby forests – distance to feedstock with various forms of ownership (state or private forests);
- Prepare recommendations for the storage of wood biomass as roundwood (brief description of storage);
- Analyze the production cost of wood chips;



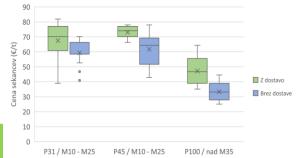
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## **Steps in case studys**

- 1. Discussions with investors
- 2. Decision: 5MW district heating system
- 3. Identification of needs
- 4. Analysis of wood biomass potentials
- 5. Logistic model
- 6. Cost analysis
- 7. Presentation of study to decision makers in Maribor and at ministry of environment











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- The methodology for calculating quantity and potential estimates of wood is based on the market quantities of round wood, which excluded estimated home use.
- Actual market quantities are actual average annual wood quantities which were harvested in years 2009-2013 and put on the market.
- Theoretical market potential is maximum quantity of wood which could be harvested and offered on market (including home use) and meanwhile also ensuring sustainable forest management.





### **Location-Allocation analysis**



#### Scenario

- 1 State forest (SF) taking competing use into account
- 2 State forest (SF) without taking competing use into account
- 3 Private forest (PF) taking competing use into account
- 4 Private forest (PF) without taking competing use into account
- 5 Total SF + PF taking competing use into account
- 6 Total SF + PF without taking competing use into account

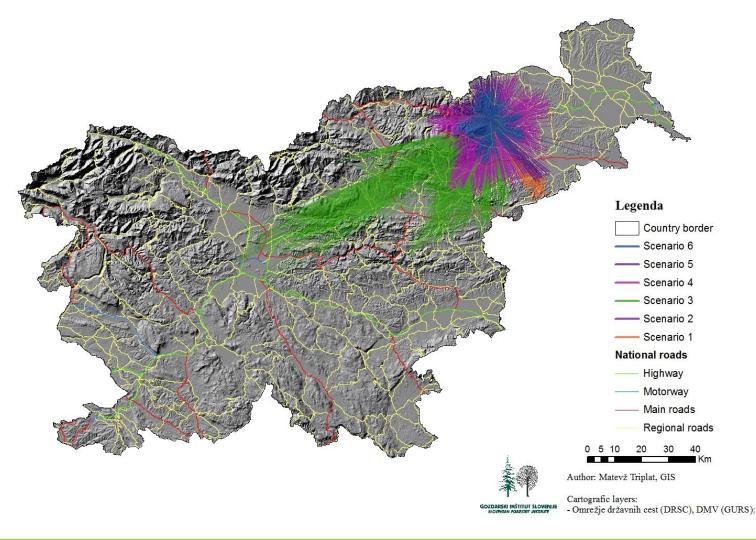




### **Location-Allocation analysis**



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**Estimation of transportation costs** 

Basic assumptions used to simulate the transport costs.

Equation 1: Calculation of transport costs for each freight

 $C_{i=n} = (t_p * 2 + (t_n + t_r)) * \frac{c_t}{P}$ 

Where:

 $C_{i=n}$  = transportation cost [€]

t<sub>p</sub> = travel times [min]

t<sub>n</sub> = time for the loading of truck [min]

t<sub>r</sub> = time for the unloading of truck [min]

 $c_t = truck costs [\ell/h]$ 

P = maximum allowable load

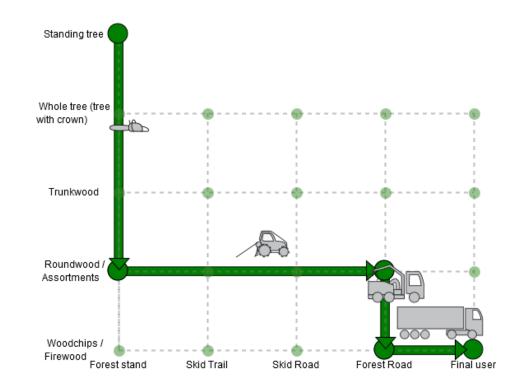
Time for timber loading	30	min
Time needed for timber unloading	15	min
Material truck costs	84.96	€/ h
Work costs (driver)	7.83	€/ h



**Cost of wood chips production** S2Biom

### Most common production chain

#### Visualization of supply chain





Costs of biomass production chain 2000 S2Biom

#### Costs of selected processes

#### WoodChainManager http://wcm.gozdis.si

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Machine	Fixed costs in € / year	Fixed costs in € / hour	Variable cost of fuels and lubricants	Variable costs of maintenance in € / hour	Total cost of supply chain [€ / h]	Productivity		
chainsaw (6 kW)	203.50€	1.85€	1.81€	1.65€	5.31€	2.95€/m3		
WD agricultural tractor 65-74 kW)	4830.33€	9.66€	11.01€	2.70€	23.37€		10.63€/m3	
Cabine protection complete)	2293.33€	4.59€	0€	1.28€	5.87€			
wo drum winch (8 t)	974.67€	3.48€	0€	2.72€	6.20€			
Radio remote control	172.00€	1.27€	0€	0.48€	1.75€			
Chipper mounted on truck with crane (max. Wood diameter 80 cm)	83200.00€	104.00€	47.19€	260.00€	411.19€		27.41€/m3	
Fruck for carring bul load 300 kW)	19200.00€	19.20€	47.19€	9.60€	75.99€			8.73€/m3

Detailed cost table

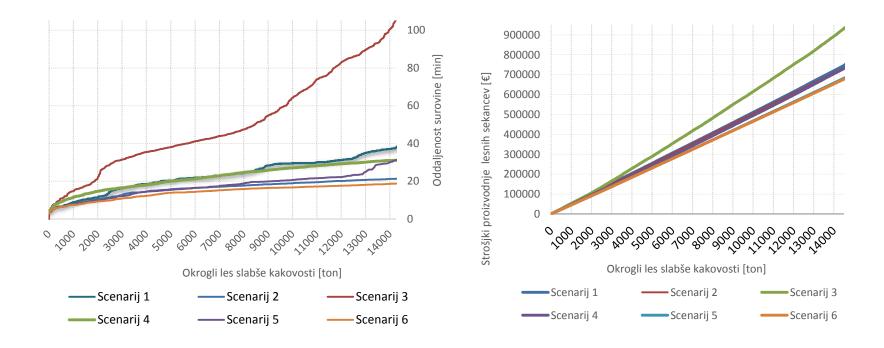
#### Total production cost: 49.72€/m3

Total cost of supply chain [€ / h]: 529.68 €



#### Feedstock vs. distance // Feedstock vs.







costs





#### Thank you for your attention !!



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