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Informal consultation on the content of the forthcoming UNECE/FAO studies on circularity concepts in forest-based industries

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Background

In line with recommendations of the joint COFFI/EFC Working Party on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management, the joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section (Joint Section) presented the outline of the study, a template for case studies and a timeline for the planned work.

Summary of the discussion

The discussion highlighted the following key aspects, which should be included in the study:

- The analysis of the heat isolation will be added.
- Wood’s natural circularity will be highlighted in the study.
- Richard will do research on how extreme weather conditions impact wood construction and contribute with this topic to the study as relevant.
- Claudiane and Sylvain will contribute with a case study.
- Case study template will include information on material substitution and qualitative and quantitative results and benefits.

**Next steps**

- The list of case study proposals submitted by the team, together with the updated case study template will be shared **on 18 July 2022**.
- Case studies will be submitted to the secretariat **by 31 August 2022**.
- The next online consultation will be organized **on 15 September 2022**.