

# La ruta de descarbonización del sector papelero en España

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## Pulp & Paper at EU level - Cepi

**500** pulp, paper and board producing companies

**895** mills across Europe of which **139** biorefineries

**180.000** people employed directly

**19** member countries

**21,7** % share (35,2 Mt pulp + 85 Mt paper) of global production

Working across the value chains – from forest owners to converters



#### **Turnover**



#### **Investments**



6.991

Millons €

6,9%

VS total turnover

### **Production**



Paper mills

Pulp mills

Paper **6,3** millon t

(40% export intensity)

Pulp **1,5** millon t

(62% export intensity)

### Jobs



92% Permament jobs

Direct **16.968** 

Indirect **84.000** 

#### Position in Europe

6°

Paper producer

3°

Recycler

5°

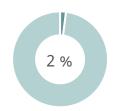
Pulp producer



Spanish GDP



**Total Industrial** turnover



**Total** employment in **Spain** 



**Industrial jobs** 



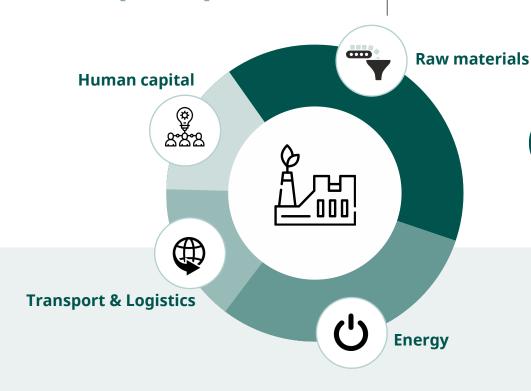
Tax Revenues in **Spain** 



Out of **Industrial** added value

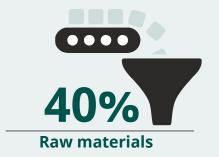
## **▽** Pulp&Paper sector

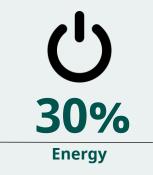
#### **Costs structure**



Costs

Typical structure of operating costs in a factory





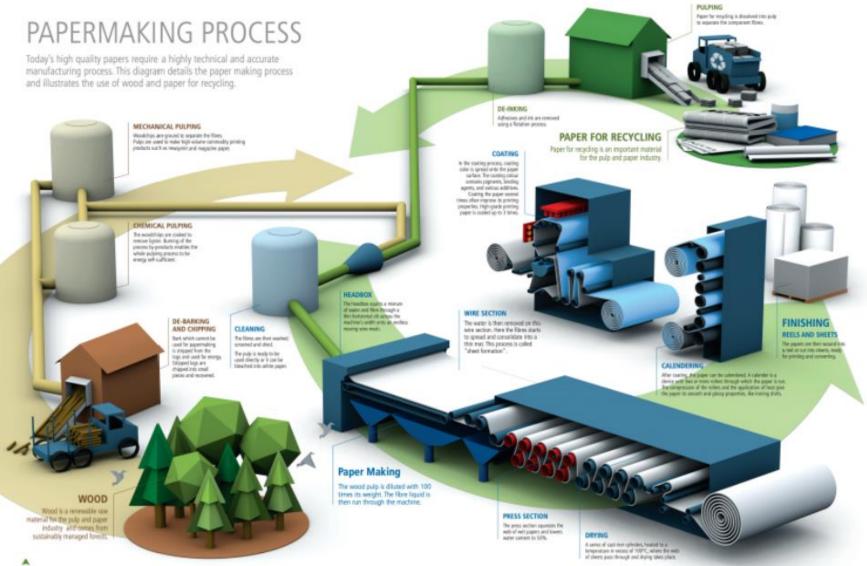






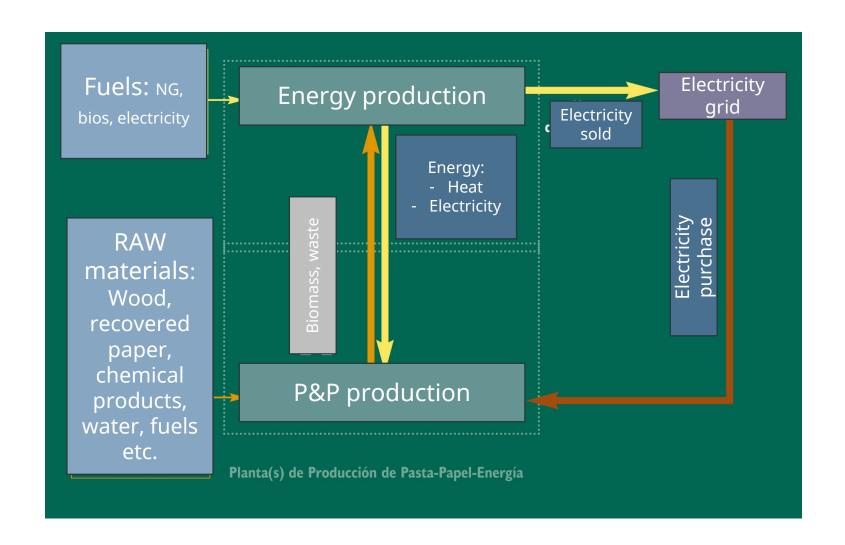
## **P&P** sector

#### **Leading circular economy**





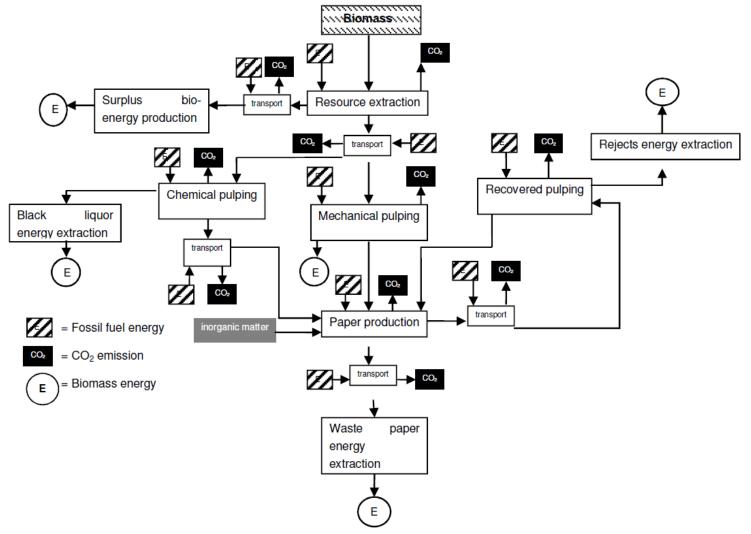








#### **Energy & CO2 emissions in the process**

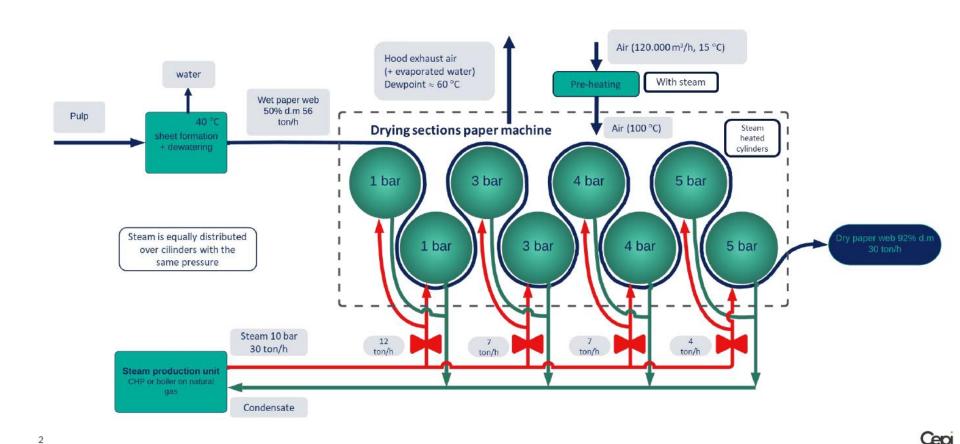


Jobien Laurijssen, 2013



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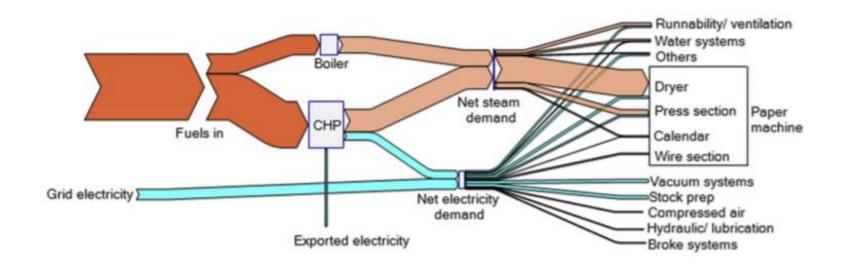
#### Virtual average paper mill



**Source: CEPI** 







Sankey diagram paper mill UK





## **P&P** sector

#### **Energy consumption per product**





#### Pulping



#### Kraft chemical recovery process

Evaporation	Recovery boilers	Recausticizing	Calcining	
4.08	1.19	1.08	2.14	

#### Bleaching

Pulp bleaching



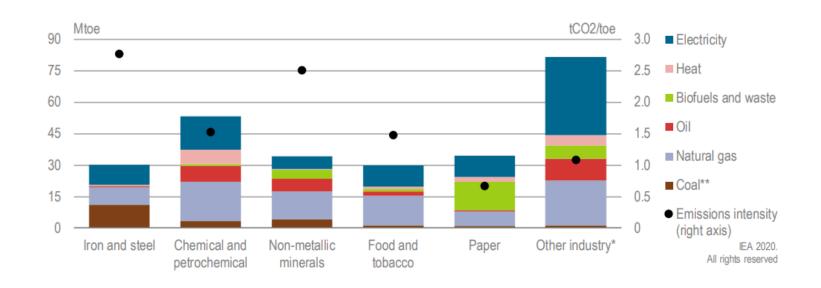
(GJ/t) Prospective scenarios for the pulp and paper industry. JRC, 2018

#### Paper and paperboard production

Paper refining and screening	Newsprint forming, pressing, finishing	Newsprint drying	Tissue forming, pressing, finishing	Tissue paper drying	Uncoated paper forming, pressing, finishing	Uncoated paper drying	Coated paper forming, pressing, finishing	Coated paper drying	Lineboard forming, pressing, finishing	Lineboard drying
0.89	1.52	4.40	1.92	8.39	1.90	5.38	1.90	5.60	0.97	4.28







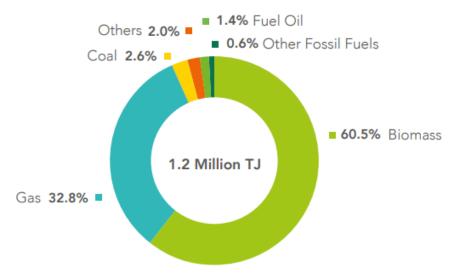
Energy consumption & CO2 intensity emissions per industrial sector

IEA, EU Review 2020

## **▽** Energy indicators

#### **European Union**

#### Fuels Consumption in 2021<sup>1</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excluding Hungary, Romania & Slovenia - excluding Poland before 2003 2022 data will be available end-2023

Total fuel consumption: 334,4 TWh (2021)

**Total electricity consumption: 93,4 TWh (2021)** 

Main energy indicators 2021. Source: CEPI 2022



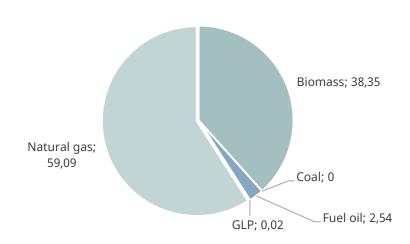
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>CHP: combined heat and power (compared to total on-site electricity generation)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Share of total primary energy consumption (including net bought electricity)

## **▽** Energy indicators

#### **Spain**

Fuel consumption (%)



Total fuel consumption: 21,6 TWh (2022)

**Electricity consumption** 

4,37 TWh

## Elec. gen. VS consumption

0,89

## **Energy efficiency**

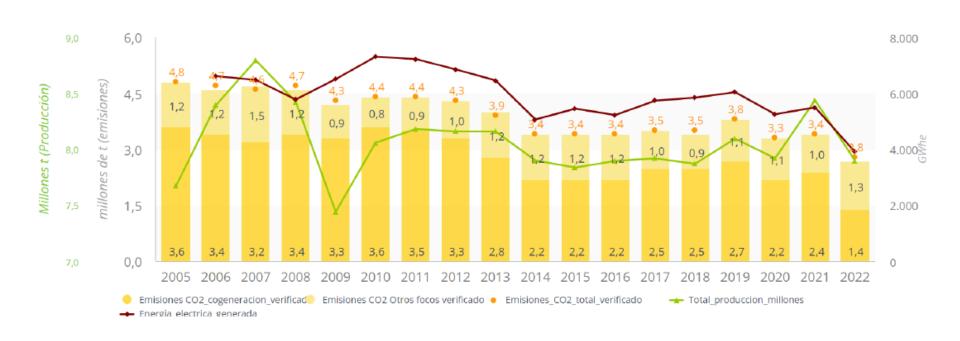
0,55 MWhe/t

Main energy indicators 2022. Source: ASPAPEL 2023





#### Energy production & CO2 emissions



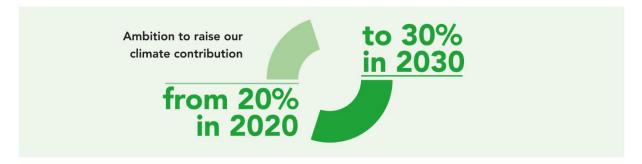
Source: ASPAPEL





#### Since 2003:

- We have cut emissions by 39%
- reduced energy consumption by 15%
- became the largest industrial generator and user of renewable energy with a share of
   60%



The overall and positive climate effect of the wider European forest-based sector is estimated at -806 million tonnes (net) of carbon dioxide equivalent annually. This corresponds to mitigating 20% of all fossil emissions in the European Union





Renewable cogeneration



**Heat pumps** 



**Photovoltaic** 



**Solar thermal** 



**Biomass** 

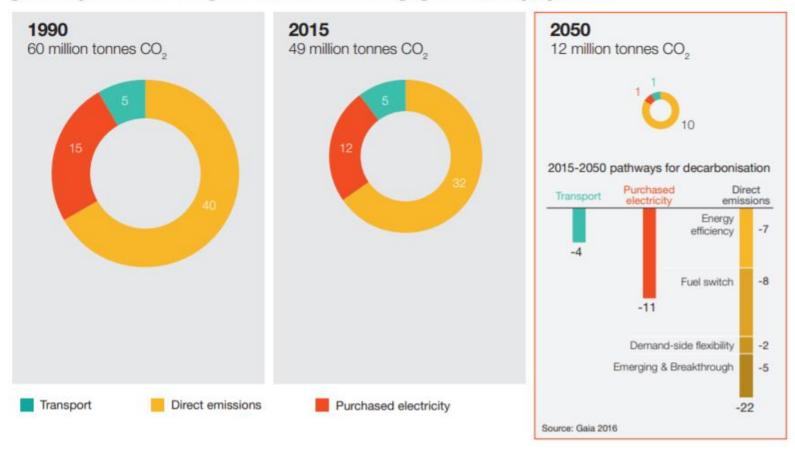


**Biogas&Biomethane** 



### Competitive decarbonisation of electrical & thermal demand

Graph 02: CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction and decarbonisation pathways for the European forest fibre and paper industry by 2050









## Competitive decarbonisation of electrical & thermal demand

The carbon saving technologies	SHORT TERM  Up to 2025 – Best  Practices and Operational  excellence	MEDIUM TERM Up to 2030 – Modular innovations	LONG TERM  After 2030 - Breakthrough Technologies	CROSS-CUTTING 2025-2040 Integration of cross-cutting technologies
The technological innovation concepts	Lightning Data automation and control Improved mechanical dewatering Water and heat saving through inline water cleaning Drives and valves Adjust pressure levels Personnel training and behaviour analysis Heat recovery by heat exchangers Electrification Direct renewable heat sources Raw material replacement	Mild repulping technologies More effective fibre refining technologies Innovative mechanical dewatering technologies Advanced process control, machine learning and digital twins Heat storage during breaks Electric drying assisting technologies Demand side flexibility Hydrogen to increase pulp mills product portfolio New systems eliminating or minimizing the use of vacuum	Integral drying and heat recovery processes Paper making without water Water removal without evaporation Mild pulping processes, e.g. by Deep Eutectic Solvents	Industrial components (boilers, pumps, valves, compressors, fans, conveyors all of which systems typically contain motors and drives) Heat pump technologies Industry 4.0: digitalisation and machine learning System integration Industrial symbiosis Renewable energy systems (e.g. Solar thermal, hydrogen, nuclear)
Activities	Facilitate exchange of knowledge  Best practice sharing meetings ESF toolkit Industry discussion meetings Online database with Best Practice stories	Facilitate consciousness + implementation  Technology carrousels with suppliers Pilots and demo's among the European paper industry	Realise joint development programmes  Create public funding opportunities Set up joint development programmes Acquire innovative ideas	Cooperation with and between the (new) equipment suppliers for integrated solutions
Average savings to be expected	10%	25-30%	>50%	5-100%

Source: CEPI, 2021





#### **Energy structure & Decarb potentials**





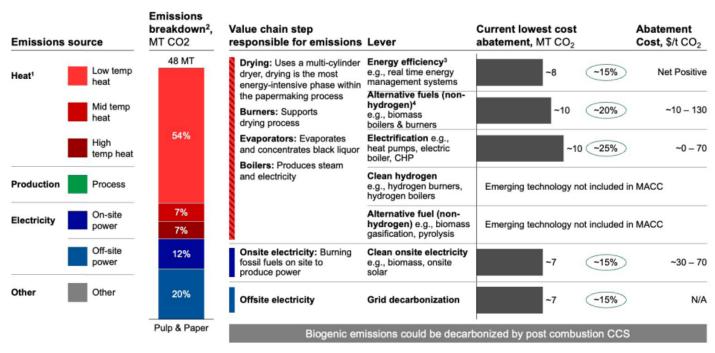


Figure 3.6.1: Pulp and paper production emissions can be abated with energy efficiency measures, alternative fuels, and electrification. | 1. Temperature ranges are defined as low-temperature heat (-30°C to 200°C), medium-temperature heat (200°C to 400°C), and high-temperature heat (400+°C). | 2. Breakdown of 2021 pulp and paper production emissions | 3. Energy-efficiency levers could include real-time energy management systems, air dryers, variable speed drivers, turbo blower pumps, new-technology pulper, radial blowers, mechanical vapor recompression, stationary siphon and drying bar | 4. Includes biomethane boilers (brownfield), biomass burner, RDF boiler, biomass boiler, and biomethane burner (brownfield).

Source: FisherSolve Next 4.0.23.0301, expert interviews

Liftoff - Industrial decarbonization - 2023





## Big challenges, and opportunities

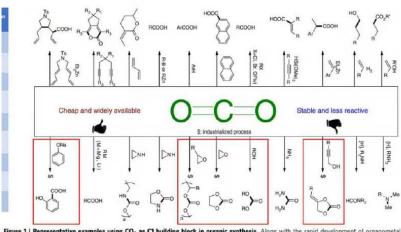
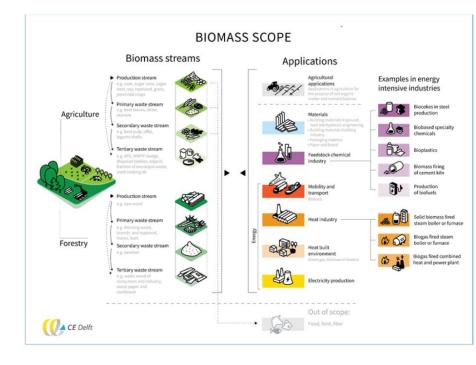


Figure 1 | Representative examples using CO<sub>2</sub> as C1 building block in organic synthesis. Along with the rapid development of organometallic chemistry and catalysis, various types of efficient CO<sub>2</sub> transformations were have been discovered in the past decades. However, in general, the substrat scope and efficiency of these reactions are still limited due to the requirement of reactive agents for CO<sub>2</sub> activation. As a result, only a few processing the processing tha

Using carbon dioxide as a building block in organic synthesis; Qiang Liu, Lipeng Wu, Ralf Jackstell & Matthias Beller; DOI: 10.1038/ncomms6933, Nature communications





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#### **SECTORIAL PERSPECTIVE - Pros & Cons for our decarb.**

#### **EUR** perspective:

- PROs:
  - Funding effort: Next Generation EU, Innovation Fund, etc.
  - Temporary aid framework to support decarbonisation.
  - Political awareness of the need to increase support for the competitiveness of European industrial sectors.
- CONs:
  - Insufficient agility in adopting measures to boost competitiveness.
  - High risk of relocation due to cost overruns: energy, CO2, administrative burdens, etc.



#### **SECTORIAL PERSPECTIVE - Pros & Cons for our decarb.**

#### **NAT** perspective:

#### PROs:

- Opportunities arising from the Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan: PERTE circular economy, PERTE decarbonisation, etc.
- High Renewable resource availability.
- Sector firmly integrated in the local economy.
- Social awareness in support of recycling and sustainability.
- Support framework for intensive industries.

#### Cons:

- Extremely short project implementation deadlines.
- Very complex processing procedure for grants.
- Lack of electricity grid capacity.
- Insufficient funds.
- Insufficient technological development of technically and economically viable alternatives for decarbonising heat.





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