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## INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES IN QUÉBEC

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#### **FORMABOIS**

Non-profit organization active in the wood processing sector in Québec. Its board of directors is made up of representatives from industry, labor unions, the Labor Market Partners Commission and a representative from the Québec Ministry of Forests.

#### **Mandates**

- Improve the qualification of labor force in employment
- Improve the management of human resources
- Develop partnership and consultation
- Contribute to the knowledge of the job market.

Each year, Formabois develops and executes an action plan to meet the challenges of businesses and workers in the wood processing sector.

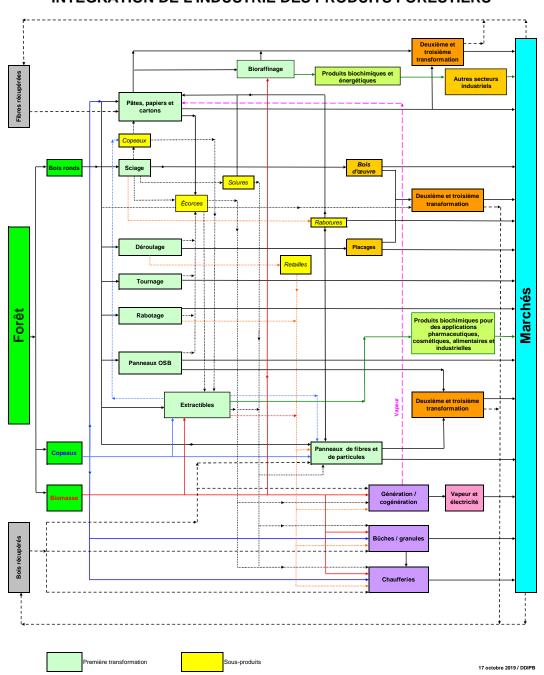


### Wood and forestry economy in Québec



- Population: 8,4 million. Surface: 1,6 Mkm²
- 59 915 direct jobs in wood and forestry sectors and a yearly positive trade balance of more than 3 billion canadian dollars.
- Forest area: 905 000 km², which represents 2% of world's forests
- 92% of Québec's forests are public, owned and managed by the government of Québec.
- Québec has a forest regime that is based on the highest standards of sustainable forest management.
- The proportion of Québec's certified public forests is amongst the highest in the world at a rate of 93%.

#### INTÉGRATION DE L'INDUSTRIE DES PRODUITS FORESTIERS



## Innovation examples: engineered wood products at Chantiers Chibougamau/ Nordic Structures



- Context of market diversification and optimization of resource use: wood jointing plan at the end of the 1990s
- Context of 2009 housing and forest crisis investments in glued laminated-timber and cross-laminated timber.

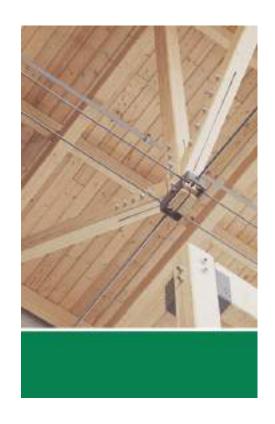
# Valorisation of wood construction and other products

- Valorisation of the wood construction (residential and nonresidential)
- Cogeneration, extractable (extractable fibres and various cellulosic fibres, extractable nanocellulose, etc.), reconstituted or agglomerated products (panels, CLT, NLT, jointed wood, glulam, etc.), specialized pulp, paper and cardboard.



# The development of the sector goes through 4 key challenges in Québec's wood industry

- Mobilization of partners
- Improve the image of the sector, professions, training
- Qualification of workers
- Innovation (ex. maximize the use of under-quality wood)





## Thank you!

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