

## **Low Carbon Timber Alliance**

## The signatories of this European Alliance

will jointly contribute to foster the implementation of products, construction materials and buildings made of Low Carbon Timber (LCT) and promote them within their networks. LCT describes outstanding climate friendly timber products resulting from short distance processing chains. This is because long distance material flows are a major cause for high carbon emissions in the usage of timber.

Implementation of LCT is documented by the application of the Low Carbon Timber Toolkit of the Interreg project CaSCo or comparable proven value chain verifications.

In doing so, the signatories act in responsibility for and in accordance with the European objectives for climate protection, environmental protection and biodiversity, resource efficiency and creation of regional added value.

The signatories support the European idea and the European goals and want to strengthen cross-regional cooperation of the European economy, local authorities in Europe and to strengthen cohesion of the European regions.

Specific objectives of the alliance in this context are:

- Increase the offer of low carbon timber from cross regional value chains in the Alpine Space
- Promote the use of timber from sustainable managed forests and short distance processing chains
- Increase the capacity building of public authorities, professionals and timber enterprises to understand the environmental value of Low Carbon Timber and support its utilization
- Promote the private and public market demand for low carbon timber products
- Increase the number of companies able to provide certified timber from short distance regional timber processing chains
- Shorten and empower the existing timber processing chains at regional level, in cooperation with regional actors, through the use of the Low Carbon Timber tool
- Promote best practices in the use of Low Carbon Timber, through the use of the Smart Places Network and other available dissemination tools

The Alliance emerged from a transnational European project involving partners from several European regions in (alph): Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Slovenia. The Alliance will continue to exist and expand after the project. Further partners and member states are very welcome. For more information please contact us.

