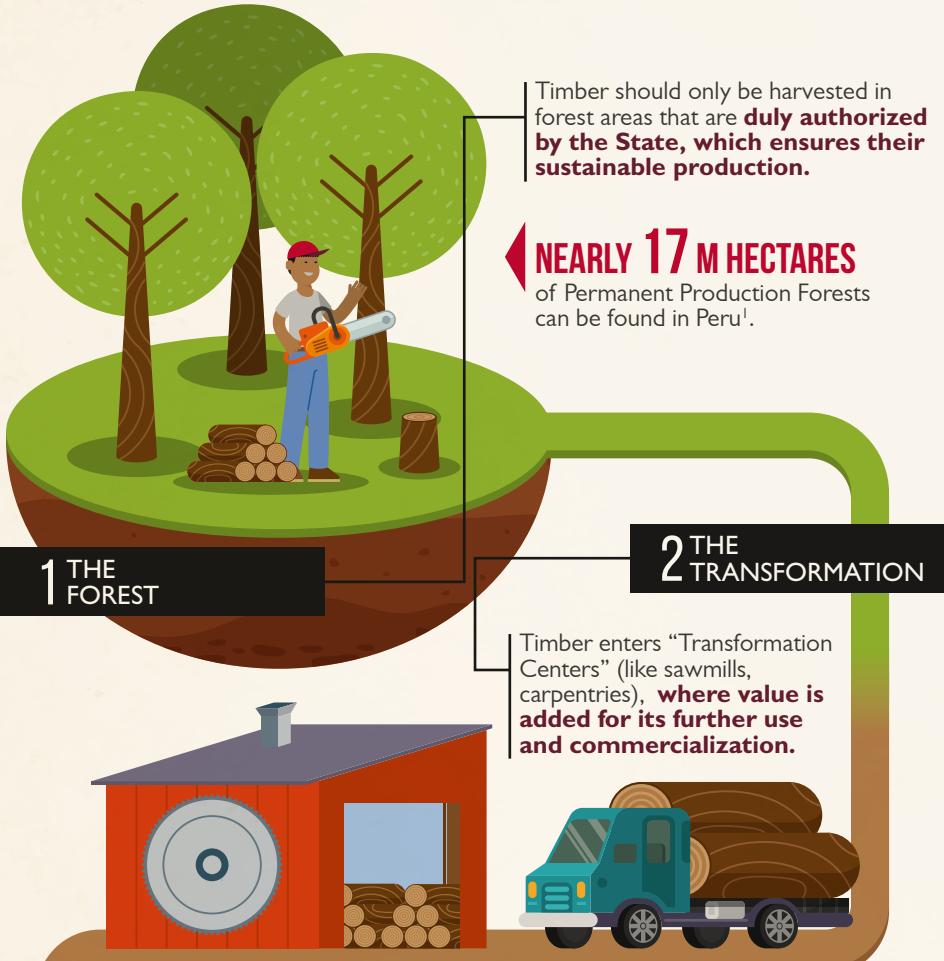


# THE TIMBER FACTOR

The hidden potential of our Amazonian forests



Timber products that result from sustainable forest harvesting **reach diverse markets to be offered to the consumers**. E.g.: retail distributors, artisanal craft markets.

## THE MAIN BENEFITS OF WOOD



### IT IS ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

Wood is a natural and renewable resource, and its production only needs a low energy intake.



### IT IS A SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL

The use of Peruvian wood fosters the strengthening of local development.



### IT IS LARGELY VERSATILE

Wood is a natural thermic and acoustic buffer, easy to work with, aesthetic and fairly long-lasting.

## A HUMAN FOREST

AMAZONIAN FORESTS IN PERU HOUSE UP TO 14% OF THE COUNTRY'S POPULATION



**NEARLY 60%**

of Peru is covered by forests, ranking it as the 2nd country with the largest forest territory in Latin America<sup>2</sup>.

Almost 20% of our Amazonian forests are found within **titled areas belonging to Indigenous Communities**, which depend on this ecosystem to subsist and thrive.



**+25% OF FOREST DEPENDENT FAMILIES**

directly benefit from timber harvesting in the Peruvian Amazon<sup>3</sup>. This includes +200 Indigenous Communities.



### DID YOU KNOW...?

Lack of knowledge and pressing needs from forest dependents can lead to an increase in migratory agriculture, the country's number 1 cause of deforestation.



## WHAT IS SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT?

The stewardship and use of the environmental, economic and cultural resources of forests that maintain their potential to benefit the present and future generations<sup>4</sup>.

## A PROSPEROUS FOREST

CAPITALIZING THE POTENTIAL OF TIMBER HARVESTING

Claims that state timber harvesting significantly harms the forest are mostly misconstrued. **Currently, formal timber harvesting does not exceed the average amount of 4 trees per hectare**.



**NEARLY 1/3 OF THE AMAZONIAN GDP**

is represented by the timber value chain resulting from sustainably managed forests<sup>5</sup>.

From 2020 onwards, **national timber demand will surpass national supply twofold**. There is a national consumption potential that we are not adequately addressing



VS



GDP per chain value:

**USD 1535 M<sup>6</sup>**

**USD 774 M<sup>7</sup>**

Timber is estimated to represent twice the contribution.



**Our Amazon has the potential to improve the quality of life of populations, specially the ones that depend on the forest.**

Applying Sustainable Forest Management is one of the main ways to contribute to forest conservation.

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<sup>1</sup>SERFOR, 2018; <sup>2</sup>PNCB, 2015; <sup>3</sup>INEI, 2017; <sup>4</sup>FAO, 2018; <sup>5</sup>SUNAT, 2015; <sup>6</sup>UNDP, 2017; <sup>7</sup>SERFOR, 2017

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