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FEDERAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR RURAL AREAS, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

The Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute (vTI), Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fisheries, is a German research institute and direct business unit of the German Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection. The fields of research cover topics from agriculture to forestry considering economical, technological and environmental aspects. The superior function is the establishment of scientific decision support for legislation and policy as well as to secure the sustainable use of resources on a global scale and the development of rural areas.

The vTI expertise is brought together by 577 permanent employees including about 190 scientists. Additionally, a varying number of externally funded senior and junior scientists support the institute.

The Institute for Wood Technology and Wood Biology (HTB) as one of the 15 scientific sub-units of the vTI is focusing on the analysis of mechanical properties and quality of semi-products, wood-based platform chemicals for the chemical industry, feedstock and processes for pulp and paper industry as well as for primary and secondary wood processing industry. Further on, research is conducted in the fields of wood as a construction material and the environmental aspects of wood as a consumer good. HTB cooperates closely with the Centre of Wood Science at Hamburg University.

The large network of scientific units brought together at the Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute as a federal institution combines qualification for interdisciplinary research on a large field of topics with the ability to offer publicly available scientific studies to a large group of stakeholders.

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Stefan Diederichs has been working for the Institute of Wood Technology and Wood Biology located at the von Thünen Institut in Hamburg, Germany for two years. As a junior researcher his field of competence is located within environmental issues, focusing on life cycle assessment of wood products and environmental assessment schemes for building products.

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