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THE POTENTIAL ROLE OF INTRA AFRICA TIMBER TRADE IN THE CONTINENTAL SOCIOECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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INTRODUCTION AFRICAN FORESTRY SECTOR

- Africa have huge forestry resources and exports raw materials for further processing abroad
- Imports are tertiary processed products valued at US\$ 4 billion with 10% intra Africa trade (ITTO 2016).
- Experiencing rapid growth in population, economic and urbanization high demand for forest products (Lundgren 2015).
- The forestry manufacturing will create enormous opportunities in backward and forward linkages
- Enhances sustainable economic development, poverty alleviation, employment creation, environmental good and services and climate change
- Africa` High 5 Priority Development Strategy include forestry sector transition to tertiary production(ADB).
- Manufactured products paper products, construction, furniture, packaging, printing, textile will generate surplus forex

STATUS OF FOREST PRODUCTS TRADE

- Globalization is largely driven by international trade
- Economic blocks EAC, COMESA), SADC and (CEN-SAD)
- African Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) in 2018 world's largest
- intra-African exports is lowest 17% Europe (69%), Asia (59%), and North America (31%).
- AfCFTA intra-African trade growth 15% or \$50 billion and 25% or \$70 billion by 2040
- Mostly in manufactured goods accounting for 41.9% as compared to 14.8% exports in 2014.
- AfCFTA promote growth of SMEs, innovation as more markets open and productivity.
- Forests in Africa support local livelihoods, provision of ecosystem goods and services
- Need huge investment in production, processing and trade

A common market spanning half of Africa

A step towards a continental free trade area

Tripartite Free Trade Area

Links 3 regional blocs

- COMESA Common Market of East and Southern Africa
- SADC South African Development Community
- EAC East African Community

- countries 26
- population 625 million
- total GDP \$1 trillion
- aim boost trade between African countries

Intra-regional trade as a share of the region's total exports (2007-2011)



- COMESA + SADC
- D. R. Congo
- Zambia
- Malawi
- Zimbabwe
- Swaziland
- Madagascar

- COMESA + EAC
- Uganda
- Kenya
- Rwanda
- Burundi

- SADC + EAC
- Tanzania
- Seychelles

- Comoros

- Mauritius



GLOBAL AND AFRICA FORESTS AND RESOURCES (Ha)

| | 1990 | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <u>World</u> | 4,236,433 | 4,158,050 | 4,106,317 | 4,058,931 |
| <u>Europe - Russia</u> | 994,319 | 1,002,268 | 1,013,982 | 1,017,461 |
| <u>South America</u> | 973,666 | 922,645 | 870,154 | 844,186 |
| <u>North and Central America</u> | 755,279 | 752,349 | 754,190 | 752,710 |
| <u>Africa</u> | 742,801 | 710,049 | 676,015 | 636,639 |
| <u>Asia</u> | 585,393 | 587,410 | 610,960 | 622,687 |
| <u>Oceania</u> | 184,974 | 183,328 | 181,015 | 185,248 |

| Country /Year | 1990 | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Angola | 79,263 | 77,709 | 72,158 | 66,607 |
| Cameroun | 22,500 | 21,597 | 20,900 | 20,340 |
| Central Africa Republic | 23,203 | 22,903 | 22,603 | 22,303 |
| Republic of Congo | 22,315 | 22,195 | 22,095 | 21,946 |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | 150,629 | 143,899 | 137,169 | 126,155 |
| Ethiopia | 19,259 | 18,529 | 17,799 | 17,069 |
| Ghana | 9,924 | 8,849 | 7,943 | 7,986 |
| Madagascar | 13,693 | 13,031 | 12,562 | 12,430 |
| Mozambique | 43,378 | 41,188 | 38,942 | 36,744 |
| Nigeria | 26,526 | 24,893 | 23,260 | 21627 |
| Tanzania | 57,390 | 53,670 | 49,950 | 45,745 |
| Zambia | 47,412 | 47,054 | 46,696 | 44,814 |
| Zimbabwe | 18,827 | 18,366 | 17,905 | 17,445 |

| Wood removals/year | 1990 | 2000 | 2010 | 2015 | 2016 |
|---------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| UK | 68 | | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| EU countries | 517 | 521 | 532 | 578 | 595 |
| <u>Africa</u> | 61 | 71 | 72 | 74 | 74 |
| <u>Asia</u> | 268 | 269 | 362 | 377 | 393 |
| North and Central America | 595 | 632 | 485 | 516 | 522 |
| South America | 110 | 147 | 198 | 217 | 227 |
| World | 585 | 1,687 | 1,705 | 1,826 | 1,877 |

RATIONAL FOR PROMOTION OF TIMBER TRADE

- Africa is contrasted b/w endowed and deficit in NR and large growing populations and fast urbanization
- Intra Africa investments and trade to create employment, and overall continental economic development
- African to embrace AfCFTA to enhance efficient flow of forests products and services across borders
- Currently, intra timber Africa timber trade account for paltry 5-8% of the total trade volume traded globally.
- Kenya is largest importer of timber in the Eastern Africa stands to benefit from intra Africa timber trade.
- Kenya's forest product trade strategy is to position itself as a woodworks manufacturing for local and export markets

RATIONAL FOR PROMOTION OF TIMBER TRADE

- Trans Africa Highways 8 Mombasa to Lagos and 4 Cairo-Gaborone and interconnections timber trade timber trade
- Camerron in 2009 and 2014 exported 3.5 million m³ of logs: Asia accounted (89%), Europe (9%) and Africa (2%).
- Sawnwood 3.45 million m³: Europe (67%), Africa (7.4%),
- Veneers: 203,799 m³ Europe (82%) and Africa (11%)
- Plywood: Europe 68%), Africa (30%), Asian (2%)
- Challenges: Policy and legal, small markets, high imports, low industrial base and dominance of foreign firms

FORESTS AND TRADE IN EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

- East Africa forests are woodlands, montane and lowlands
- Kenya has the largest plantations among the six East Africa but experiencing fast declining, governance and regular bans
- Tanzania and Uganda plantations has attracted many private investors experiencing fast growth.
- Kenya imports hard and softwood from East and Central Africa
- Hardwood from Eastern DRC, Oriental, Manema and South and North Kivu war torn areas

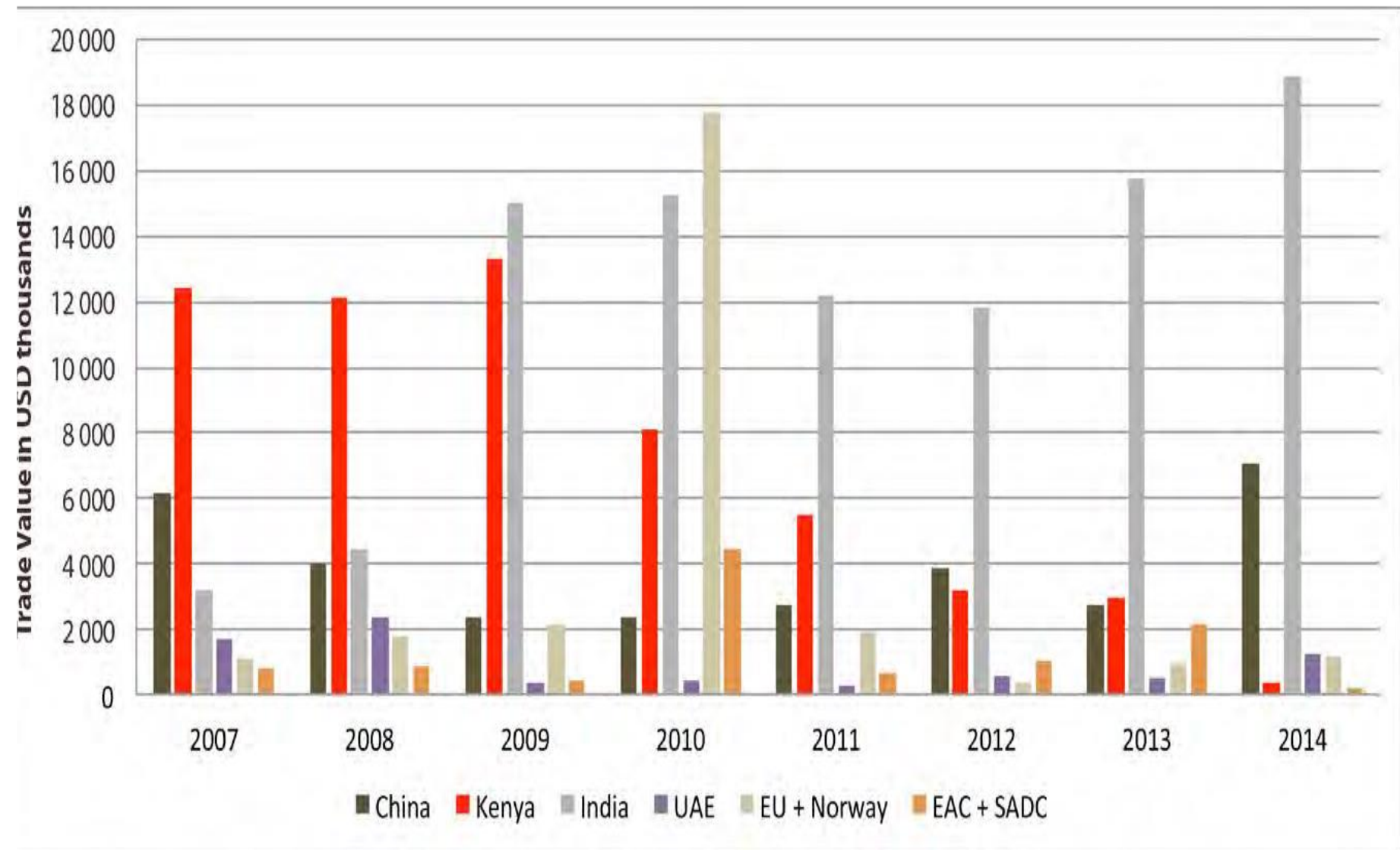
WOOD MANUFACTURING AND CAPACITY IN EAST AFRICA

- Sawmilling dependent on public plantations unlike west and Central Africa abundant natural forests.
- Kenya has the highest (633), by Uganda (180) and Tanzania hosts the largest sawmills
- Sao Hill 48,000m³, Mufundi Paper Mill (MPM) 46,000MT, KVTC (45,000 m³) and TANWAT (20,000 m³).
- Tanzania key exporter to Eastern and Southern Africa
- PPM the largest pulp and paper mill capacity 500,000m³/yr closed in 2009
- Three Kenyan Rai Ply, Comply and Timsales, are the largest integrated saw milling, plywood, and particle boards
- Diversified products foam and polythene bags for local and export markets.
- The complexes expanded operations into Tanzania and Malawi.

FORESTS AND TRADE IN EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

- Trade has increased in East Africa region in the last 10 years
- Northern Corridor route begins in DRC, supplying timber to Uganda, Kenya and export markets
- Kenya is a net exporter of manufactured wood products to Tanzania and Uganda
- The imports from DRC peaked in 50,469 m³ in 2012
- Softwood sawn timber imports from Tanzania peaked at 75,835 m³ in 2010
- Kenya imports from DRC and Tanzania 2009 and 2013 was KES 15.6 billion raising approximately KES 3 billion in taxes
- In 2015 Kenya had documented 13 exporters and 17 importers of hardwood timber from DRC into Kenyan markets
- Kenya is exploring Chad-Central Africa Republic, Cameroun

| Year | Hardwoods (m ³) | Softwoods(m ³) | Poles (pieces) | Wattle bark (MT) | Charcoal (MT) |
|------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 2010 | 18,648 | 75,354 | | 24,000 | - |
| 2011 | 24,479 | 29,100 | | 30,000 | - |
| 2012 | 50,469 | 27,000 | | - | - |
| 2013 | 38,506 | 9,425 | 27,757 | 30 | 5,800 |
| 2014 | 43,235 | 14,246 | | - | - |
| 2015 | 30,161 | 9,875 | | - | - |
| 2016 | 37,302 | 11,402 | | 205 | - |
| 2017 | 25,647 | 1,584 | | 351 | - |
| 2018 | 28,017 | 38,291 | | 972 | 21,680 |
| 2019 | 25,672 | 59,412 | | 383 | 49,339 |
| 2010 | 32,125 | 75,835 | | 272 | 3,758 |



TRADE IN MANUFACTURED FOREST PRODUCTS

- Kenya is a trading hub for imports, value addition and re-exports to East and Central Africa countries.
- In 2015 Kenya imported forest products USD 241million (KES 24.1billion):East Africa, Africa, Europe: boards, paper and paper
- Exported USD 40.8 –million (KES 4.0 billion) mostly cork, wood carving, paper, and wattle bark
- Importing are Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, South Africa, Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Cameroon, Zimbabwe and Western Sahara.
- Exporting:Israel, Italy, England, Belgium, Norway, Turkey and China

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- Africa have both surplus and deficit countries in forest resources
- Production, processing and intra Africa trade is low
- Transboundary timber trade that is dominated by informal operators most operating without requisite licences
- Kenya is net importer and re-exporter of various forest products to neighbouring countries.
- Kenya is a beneficiary of transboundary trade especially during the two logging bans 2002-2012 and 2018-2021
- Need policy and legal frameworks to promote investment in industries, infrastructure and timber trade.
- Intra Africa investment and trade enhance employment, economic growth, environmental goods and services and CC

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Let us invest, embrace and promote AfCFTA
- Revise forestry policy and legislative frameworks to spur continental investments, trade diplomacy and negotiations
- Mobilize huge investments to transform forestry production, manufacturing, technical skills, SMEs, large firms, policy support and infrastructure.
- Promote intra Africa investment and trade examples exists Kenya firms have invested in Tanzania and Malawi
- External investors in primary and tertiary production in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Mozambique
- Kenya eyes enhanced trade with forest rich Tanzania, Uganda, DRC, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Cameroun, Malawi, South Africa and re-exports to EAC, Sudan,

CLOSING REMARKS

- Kenya appreciates AFF for bringing together Africa through capacity building and critical forestry forums
- Such forums promote continuous learning in forestry in fast changing global and continental dynamics
- Enhances forestry contribution to continental socioeconomic development
- Kenya welcomes 70 stakeholders from 17 countries
- Let us push for futuristic policies and legislations to transform forestry sector
- Kenya has been a beneficiary for last 10 years of AFF presence
- This is to thank AFF for resources mobilization, capacity building and coordination for Africa Forestry





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