

European Federation
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Workers comments to the CEI-Bois Manifesto

“Boosting Industrial Growth & Jobs in Europe”

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- **Construction, building materials, wood, furniture & forestry industry**
- **72 affiliated union, 32 countries**
- **2.350.000 members**



Forest based Industries

Workforce over 2,1 million

Rural area's

**Challenge is the decline in
employment**



Workforce

- **Not so formally high educated**
- **Skilled, but mainly by training on the job, still a mismatch?**
- **On average in the EU slightly older than in the other industries**



Working conditions

- high speed cutting is involved =high risk for accidents, with great impact
- Manual handling of material in the process= MSD risk
- Wood dust



Competitiveness

Pro workers highest production and turnover compared to the world

Profit is a challenge

Innovation



SME Industry would benefit from

Facilitation of programs on

Job training

Job rotation

**Enhanced flexibility (secure income
and influence on working time)**

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Thank you for your attention!

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