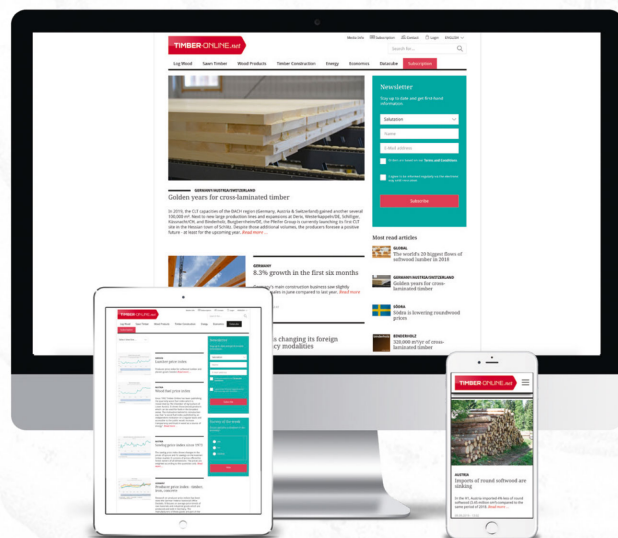


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Bark-beetle outbreaks across Central Europe

(From abundance to scarcity)

EOS GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
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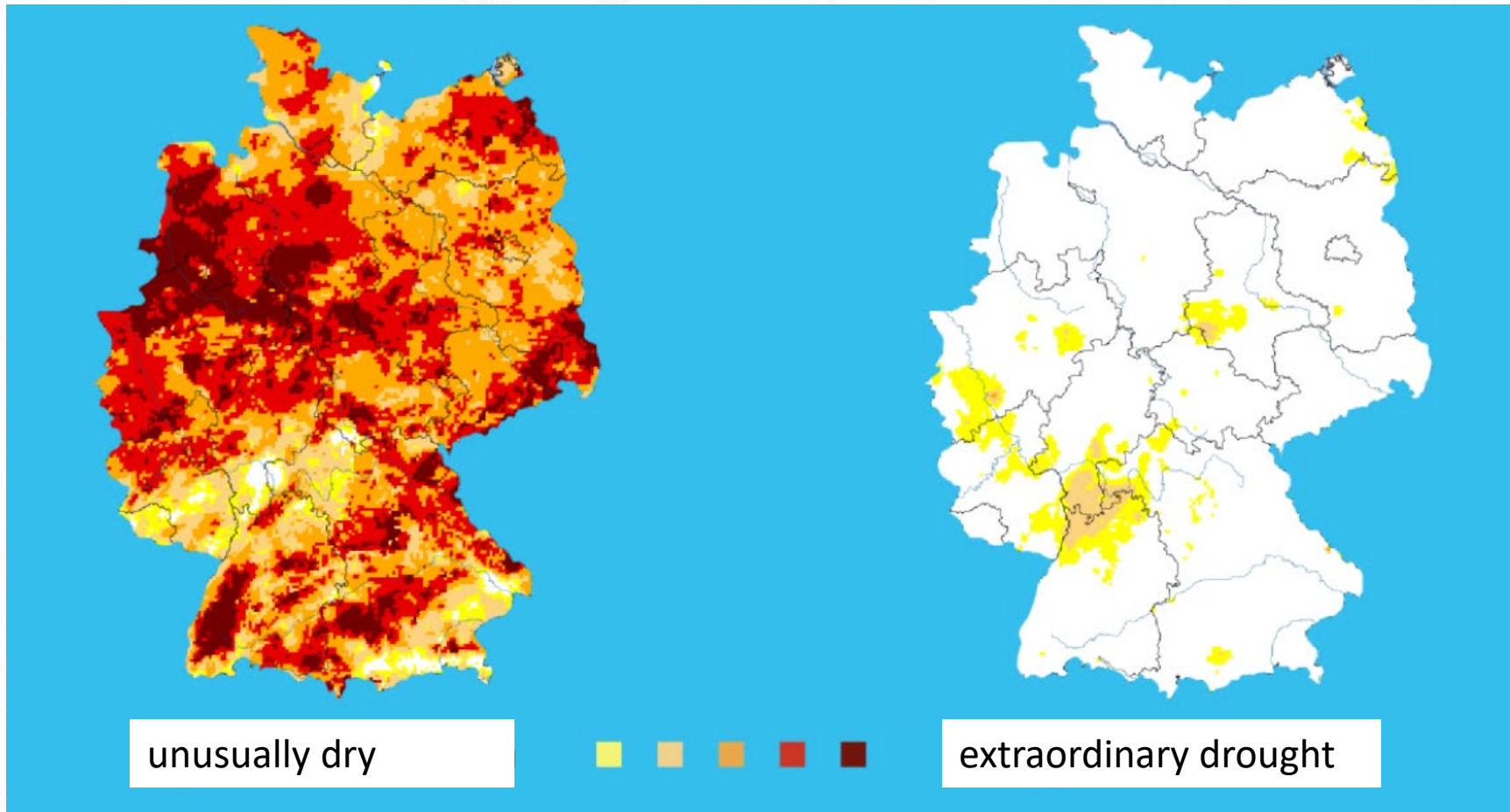
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Recovery of soil moisture

End may 2020

End may 2021

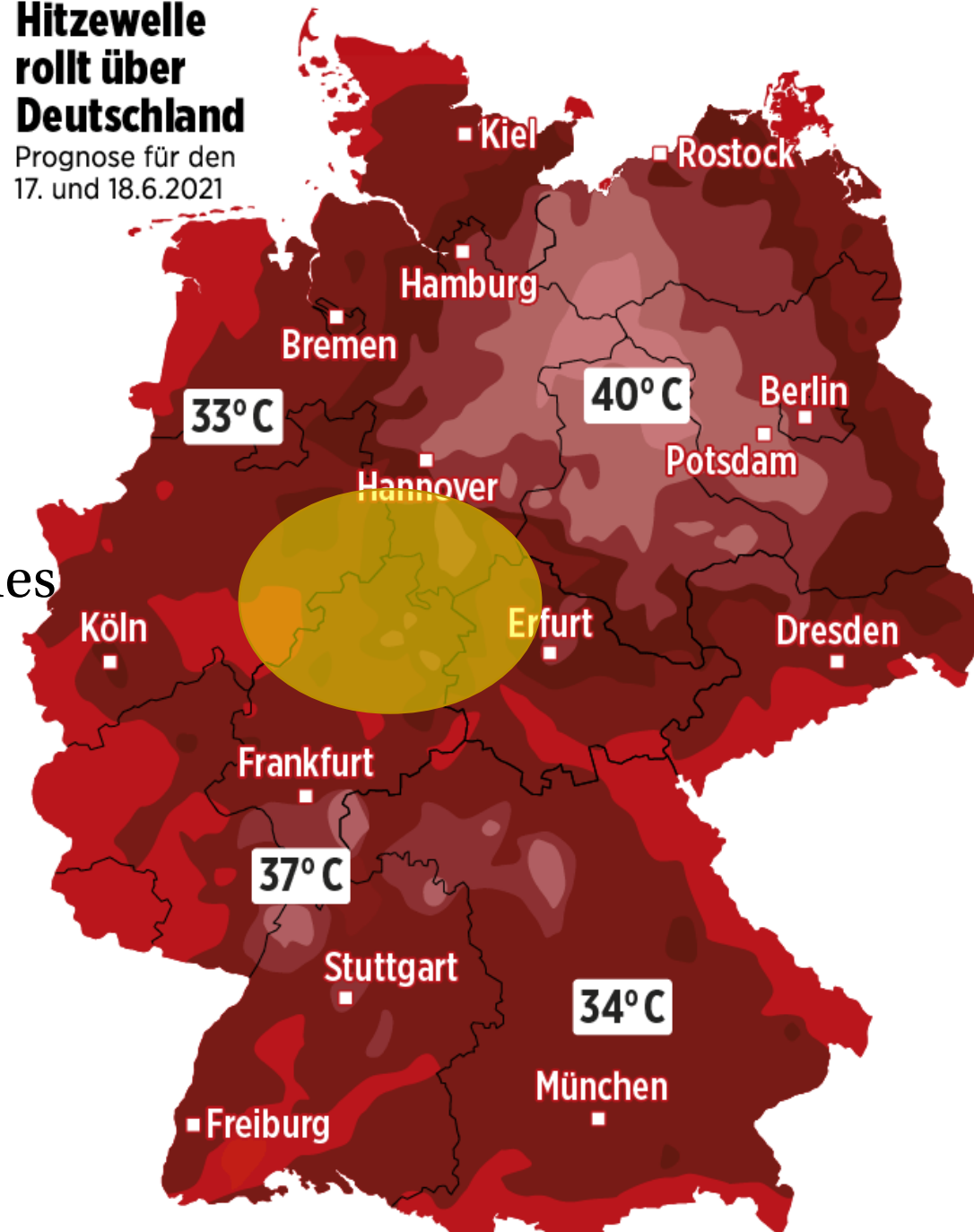


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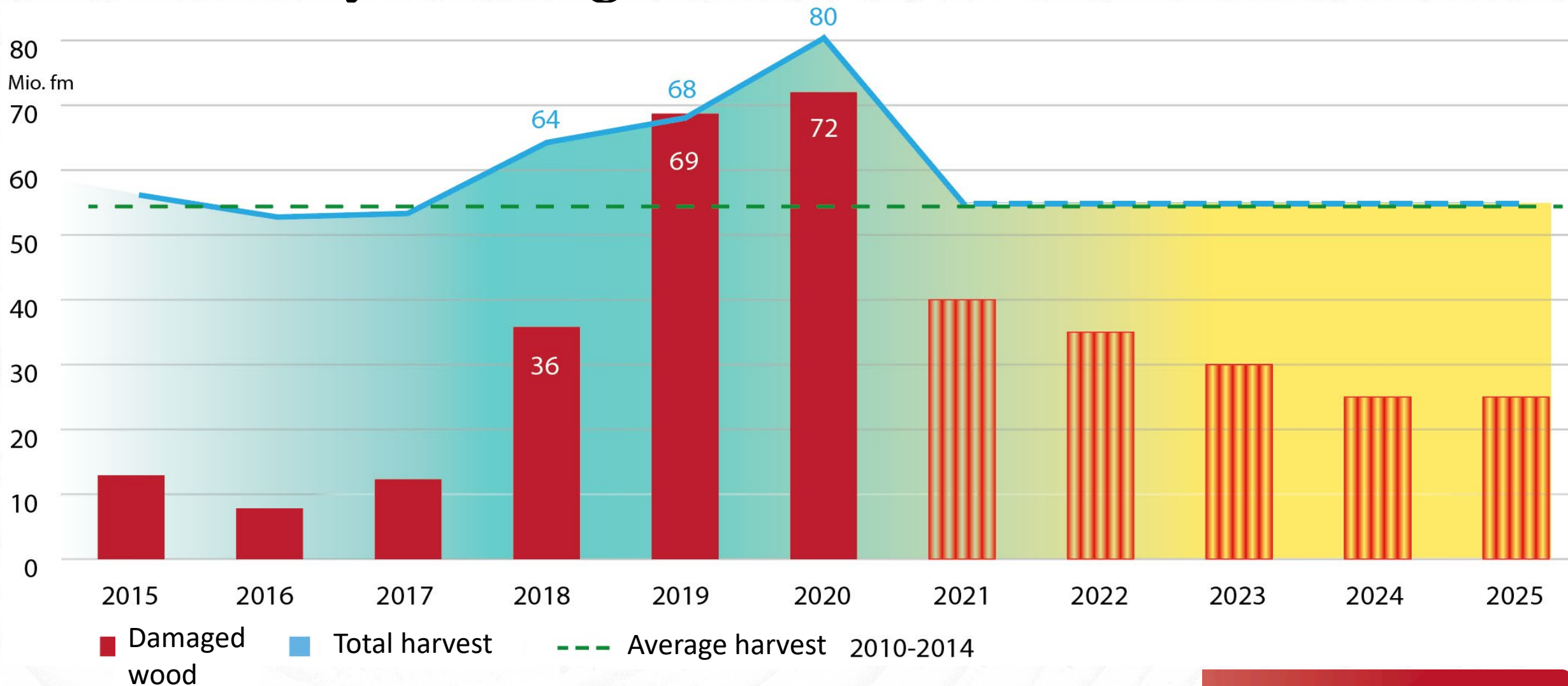
- Harz/Sauerland mainly affected
- Pre-weakened trees first to be affected
- Healthy trees strengthened by spring rains
- But: high reproduction potential of the beetles

Hitzewelle rollt über Deutschland

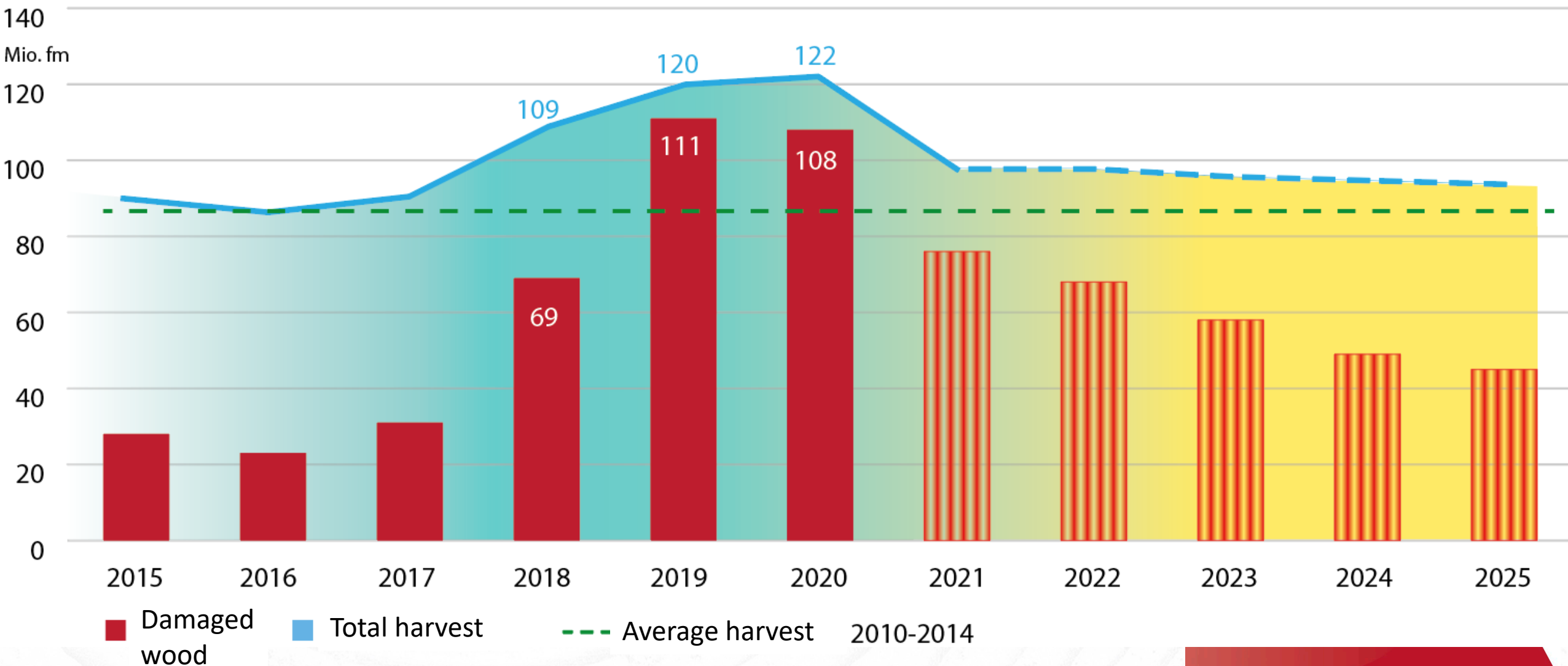
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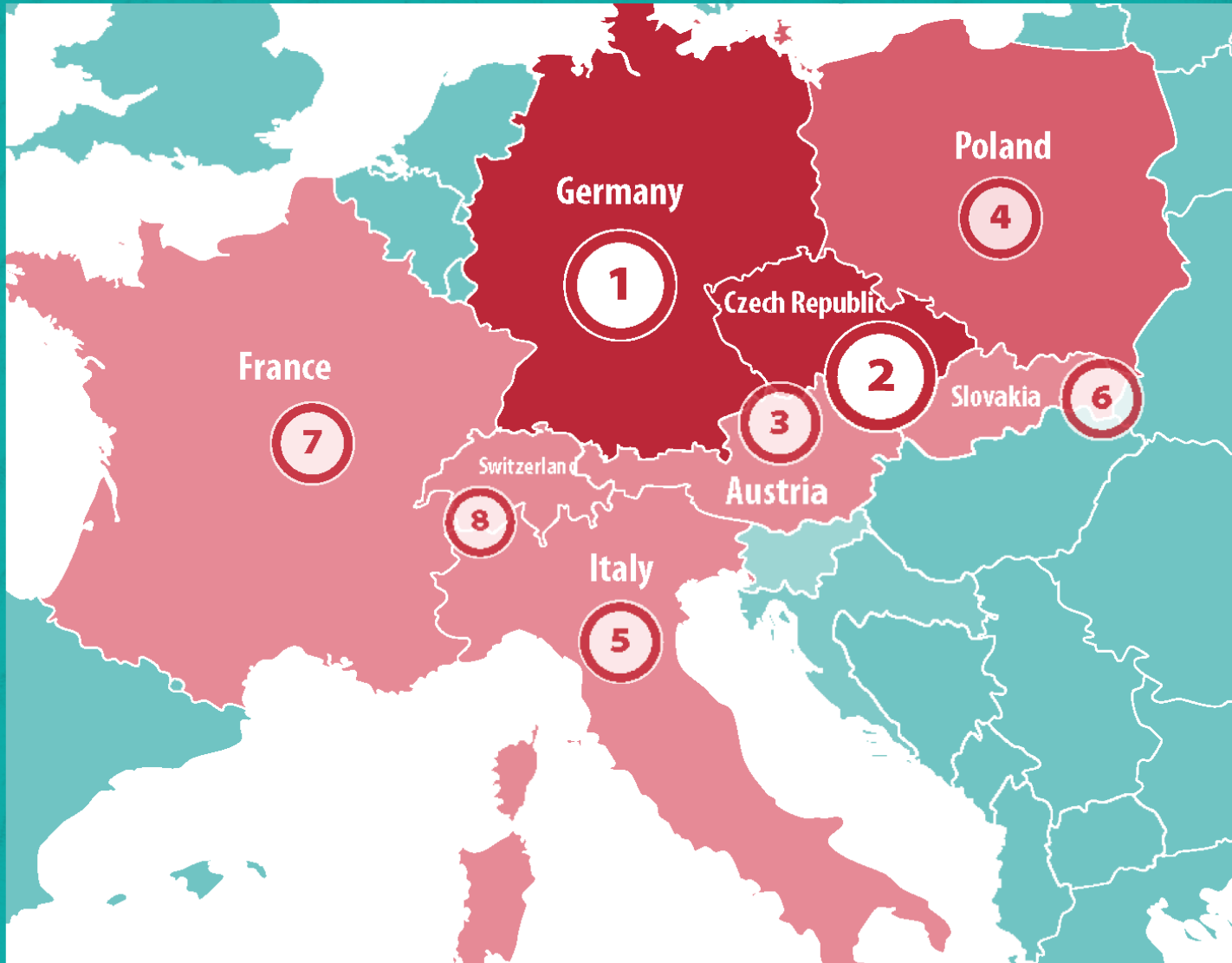
Germany: Damaged wood 2015-2025



Damaged Wood Centraleurope 2015-2025



Forest damage in Europe 2018-2020: Total of appr. 330 million m³



FOREST DAMAGE EUROPE | 2018 BIS 2020

Total approx. 300 million m³ of damaged wood
2018-2020 (per year CE: 100/D: 60 million m³)

	Land	Species	in m ³
1	Germany*	Spruce	178 Mio. m ³
2	Czech Republic*	Spruce	84 Mio. m ³
3	Austria*	Spruce	27 Mio. m ³
4	Poland	Pine	10 Mio. m ³
5	Italy*	Spruce	9 Mio. m ³
6	Slovakia*	Spruce	8 Mio. m ³
7	France	Spruce	7 Mio. m ³
8	Switzerland*	Spruce	3,8 Mio. m ³

Source: Thünen-Institut, Holzkurier (*) | © Holzkurier 2021

Chinese log imports from Europe

2020

- Germany 2020: 10 Mio. m³
- Czech Republic 2020: 3,4 m³

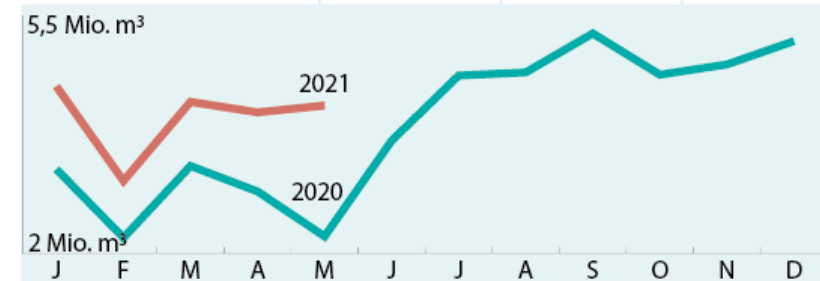
2021

- CN Import Jan-May: 20 Mio. m³ (+44%)
- Germany Jan-May: 5 Mio. m³ (+125%)

CHINA IMPORT SOFTWARE LOGS | 01-05/2021

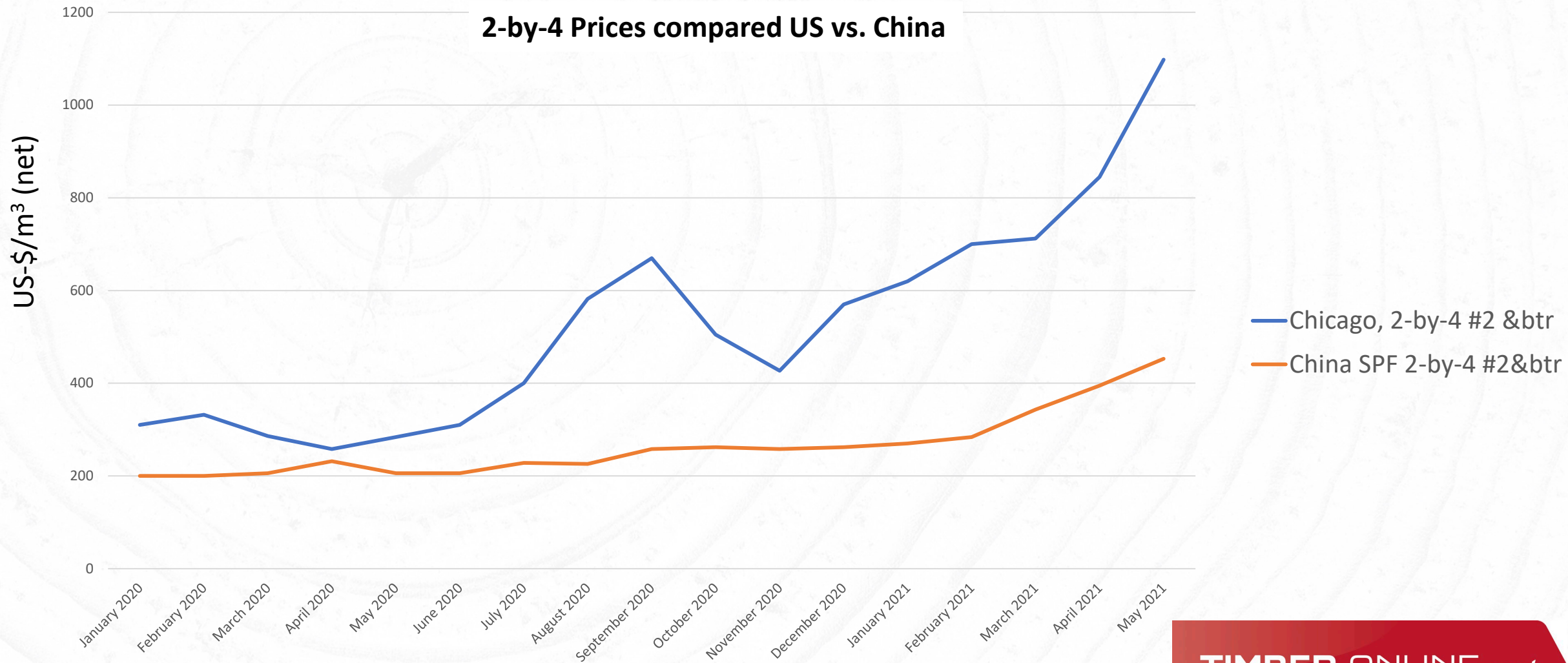
in 1.000 m³

Land	Jan – Mai		Diff. in %
	2020	2021	
New Zealand	5.182	7.926	53
Germany	2.292	5.162	125
Russia	1.748	1.621	-7
USA	526	1.024	95
Uruguay	79	946	1.104
Czech Republic	1.091	582	-47
Canada	315	580	84
Japan	380	522	37
Brazil	27	338	1.163
Slovakia	24	279	1.042
Other countries	2.254	1.046	-54
Gesamt	13.918	20.025	44



Source: China Customs Statistics | © Holzkurier 2021

Chinese logbuyers: „have come to stay“



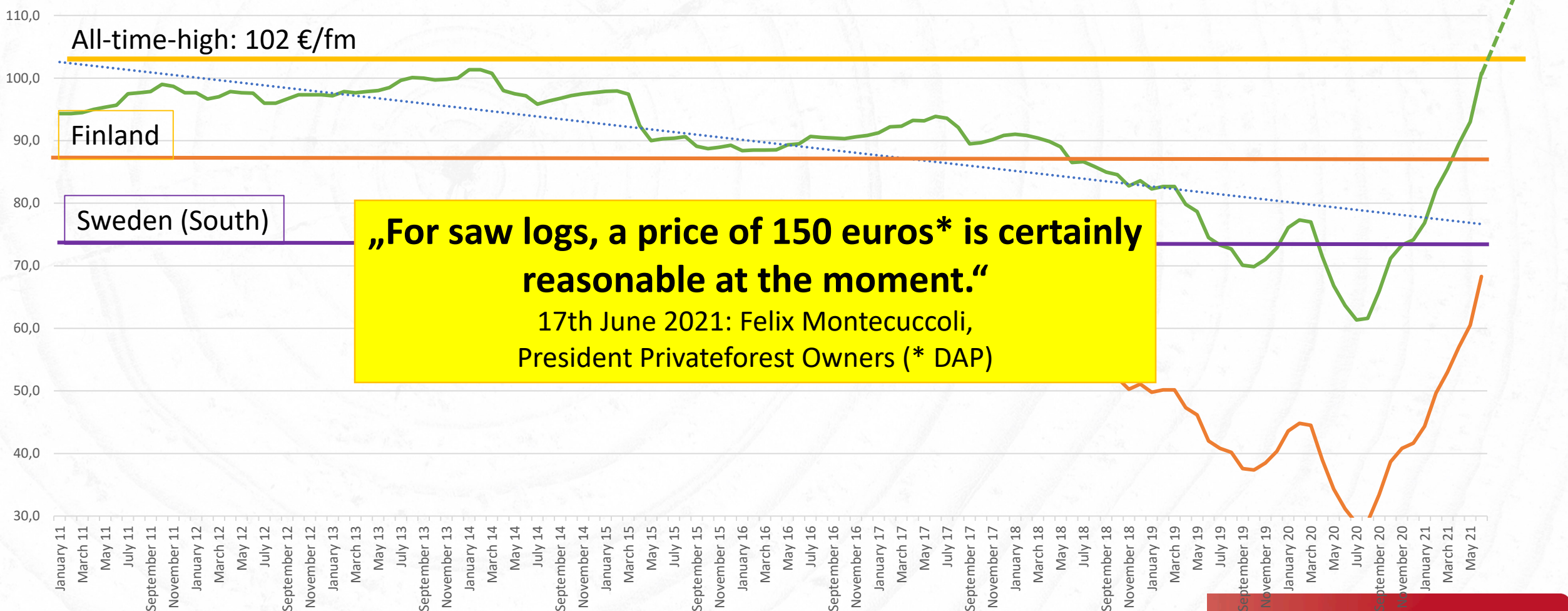
Source: Random Lengths

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130 €/m³?

Sawlog prices 2011 to June 2021

Green: average sawlog price B, 2b, Austria, Southern Part of Germany, orange damaged wood



Germany: How much coniferous logs will there be in the future?



- longterm growth potential minus 7.3 Mio. m³ per year (softwood logs in Germany)
- high volume of coniferous logs due to damage in the next few years (by 2030?)
- **Coniferous wood supply is shrinking (level 2050 approx. 50% of today?)**
- actual forest: 56% softwood, 44% hardwood;
next generation of forest: 27% softwood, 73% hardwood (© DeSH)

How much log will there be in the future?

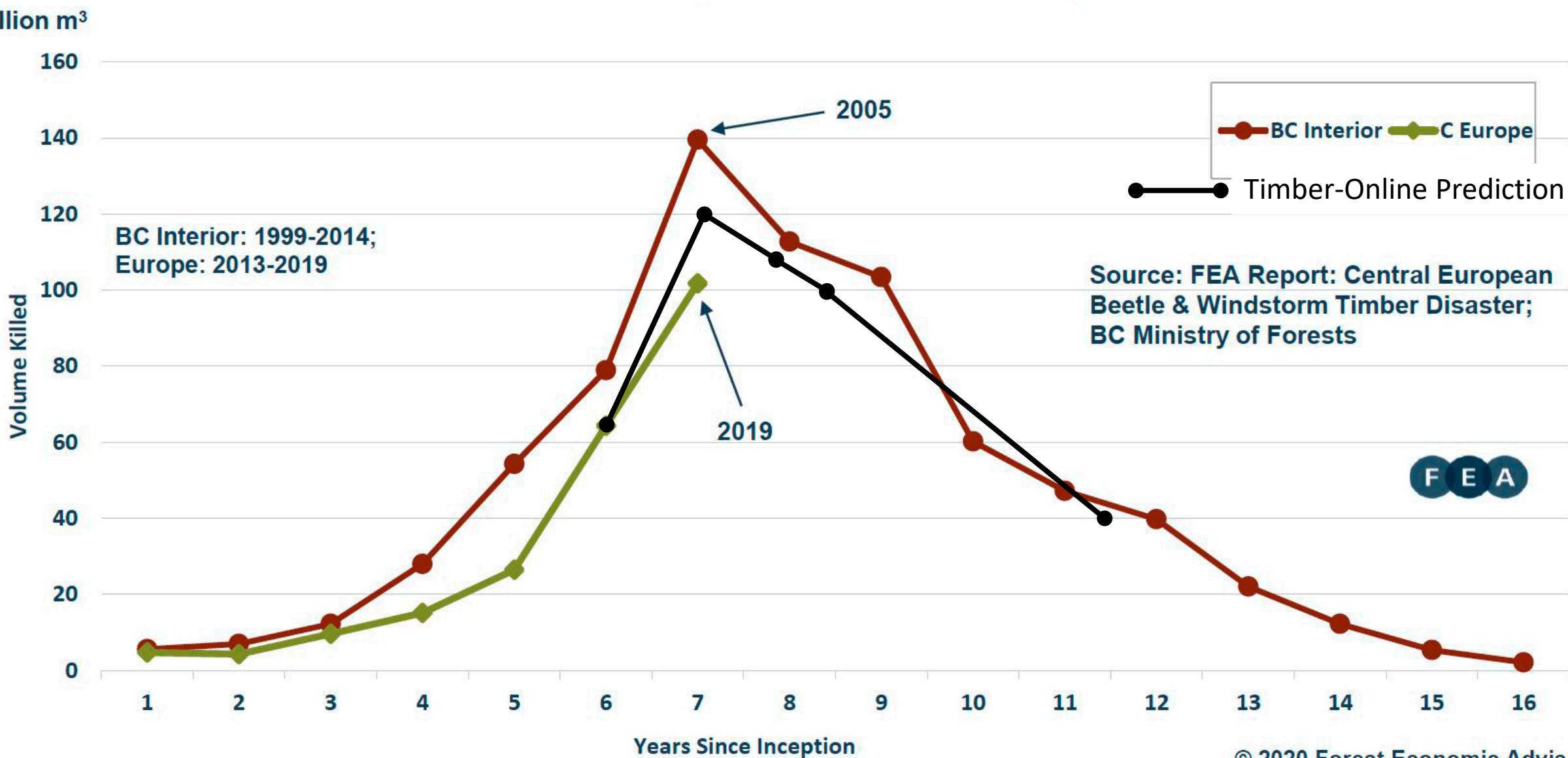


- Lesy CR: harvest will shrink (8 Mio. m³ -> 6 Mio. m³/J)



- Österreichische Bundesforste (Austria Federal Forestry) : the proportion of spruce will fall from the current 60 % to 40 % in the medium term

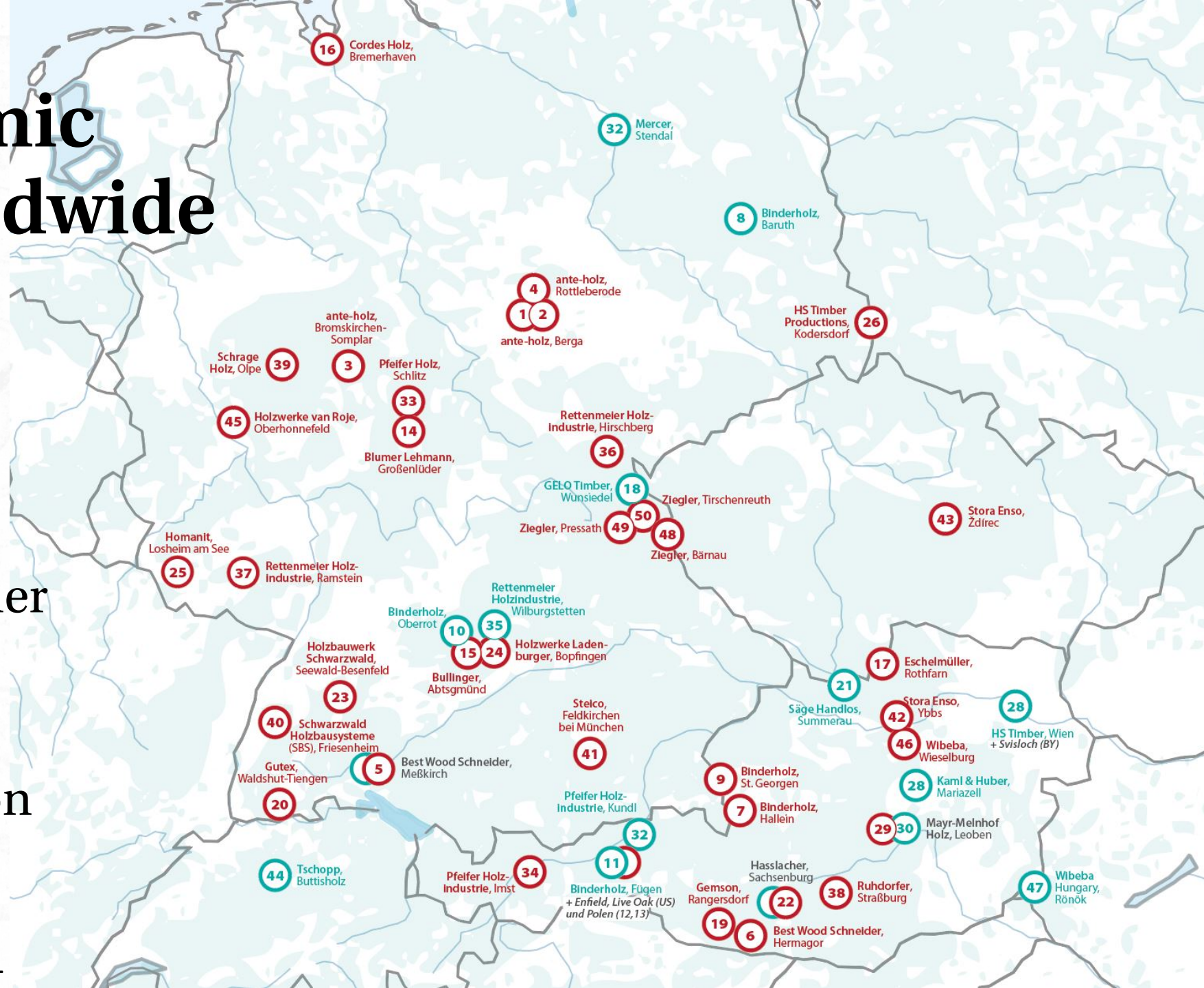
Comparison of “Pinebeetle” (BC) and calamities* in Central Europe



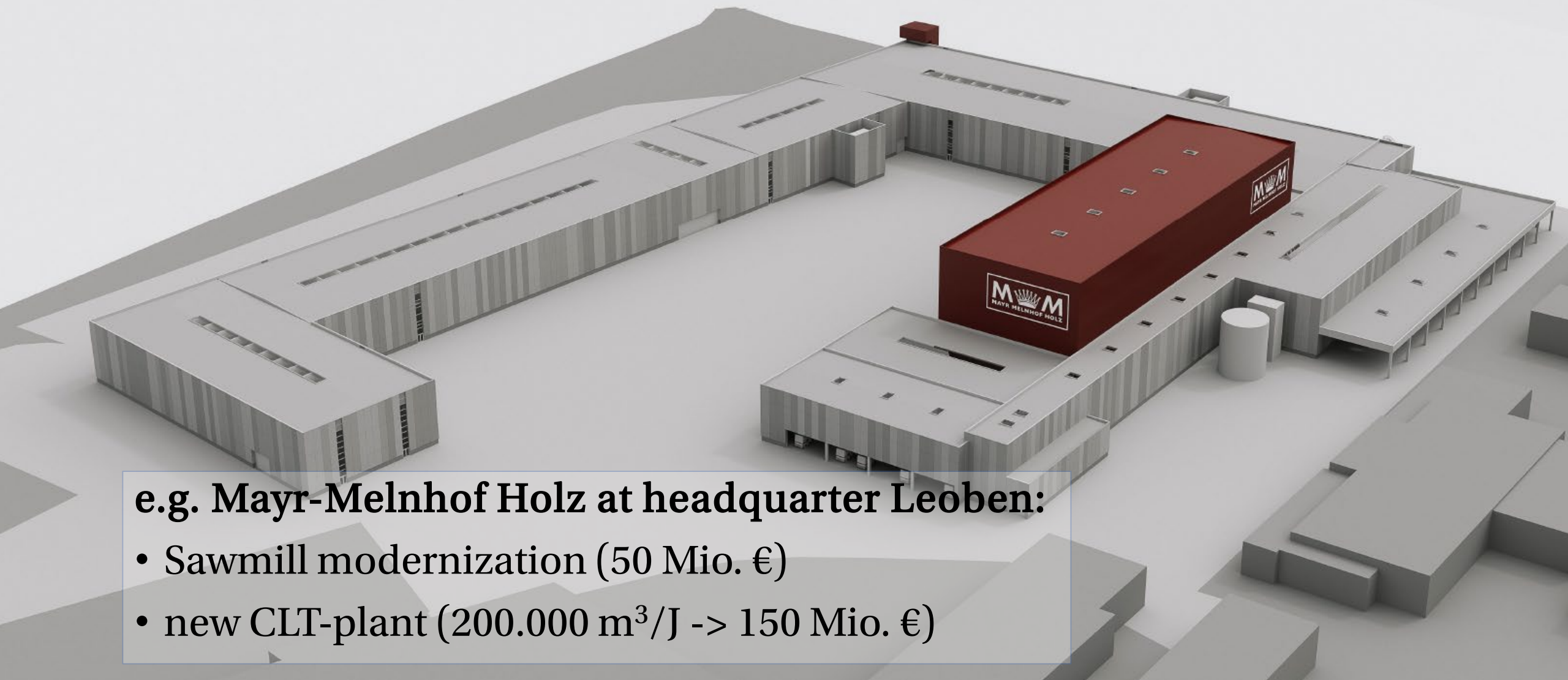
* Damaged wood: drought, bark beetle, storm, snow pressure

Most dynamic region worldwide

- green: Sawmills (green-/brownfield)
- red: new capacities (CLT, gluelam, KVH, planning, prefab, ...)
- 11 sawmills new/higher input capacity
- 8 CLT-plants by 2023
- 5 wood fiber insulation boards



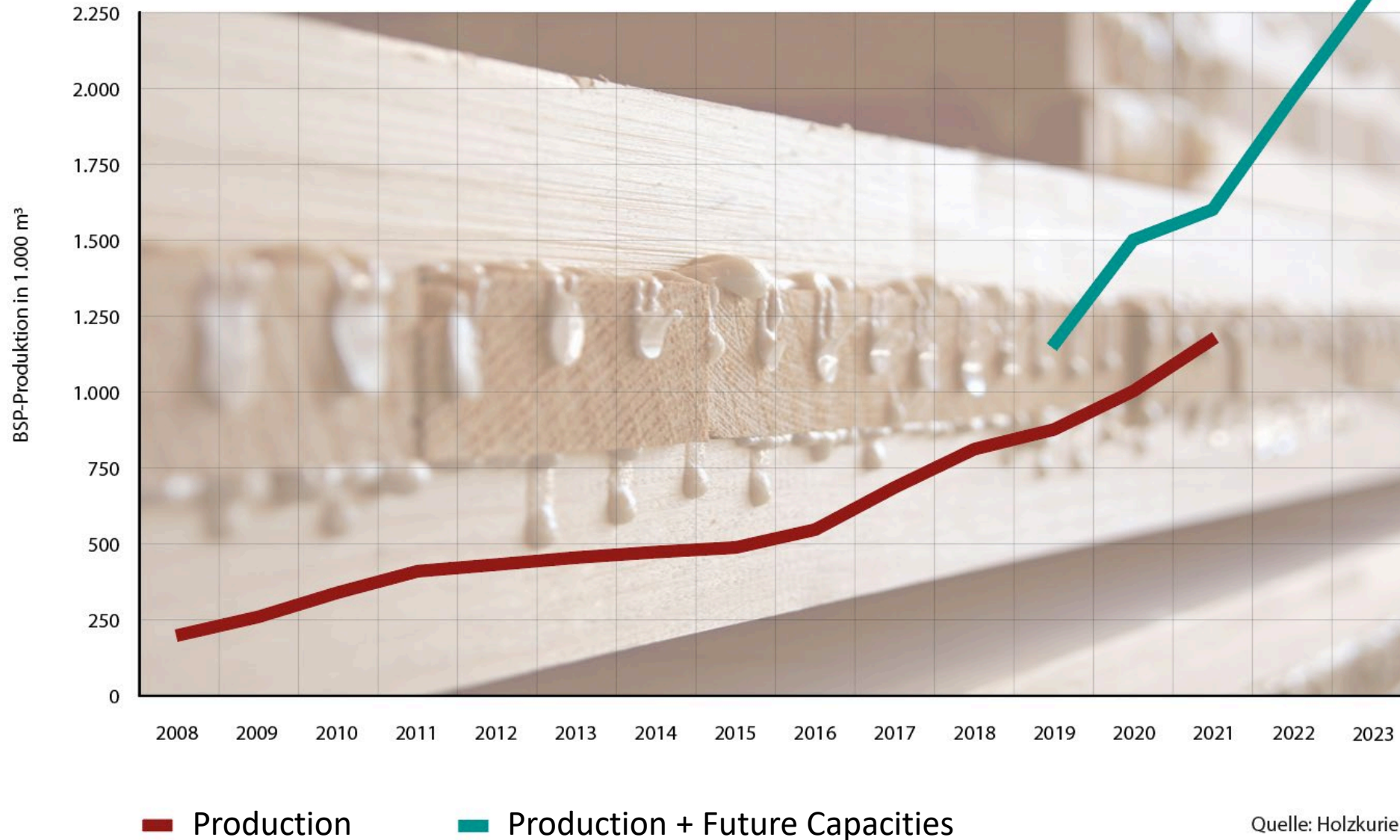
Investment #1 „Classic“



e.g. Mayr-Melnhof Holz at headquarter Leoben:

- Sawmill modernization (50 Mio. €)
- new CLT-plant (200.000 m³/J -> 150 Mio. €)

CLT-production Central Europe



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Investment #2 „Backwards integration“

e. g. Gelo Timber:

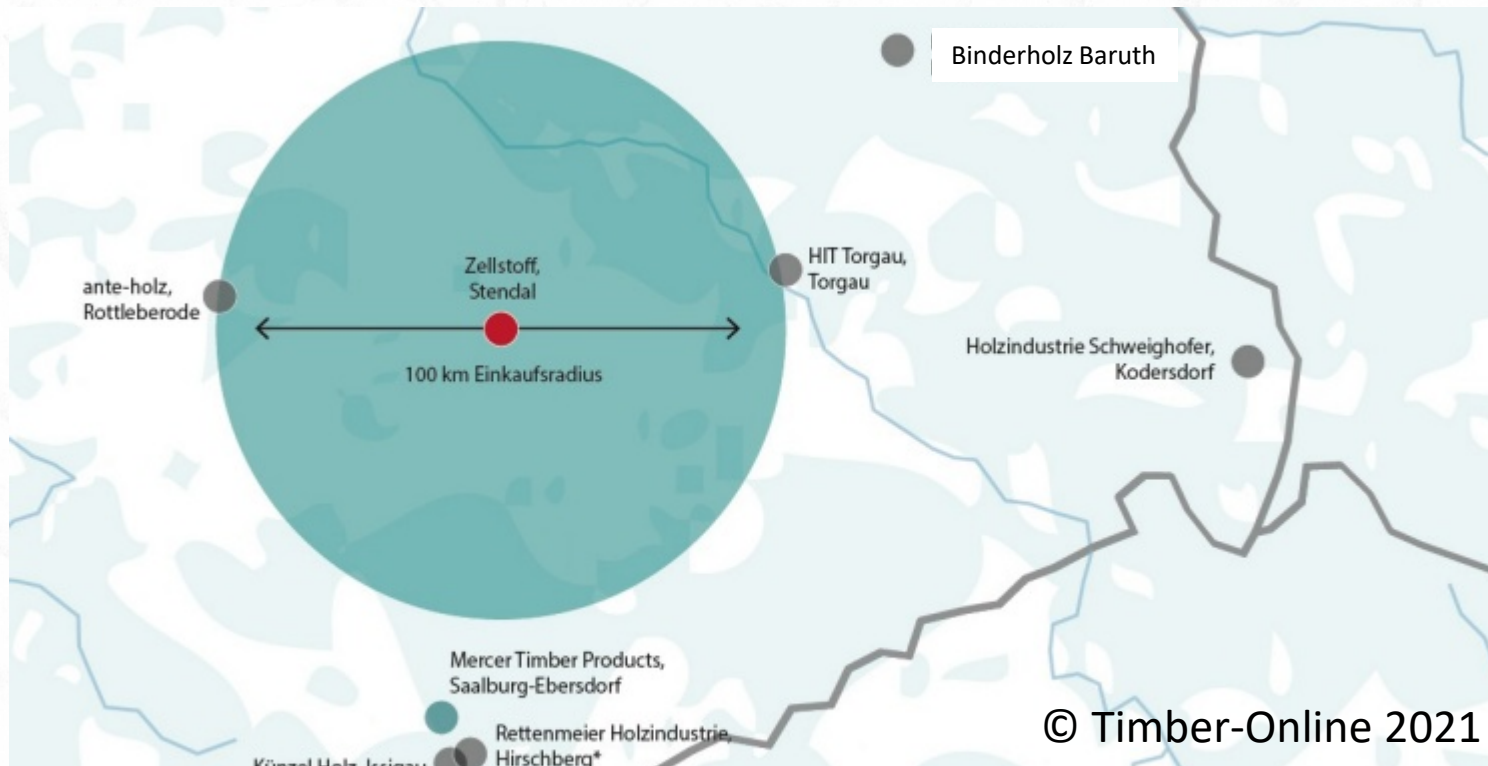
- Greenfield sawmill (40 Mio. €)
- 350.000 m³/Y Input
- to secure its lumbersupply



Investment #3 „Greenfield“

Mercer Stendal in Arneburg

- Greenfield (200 Mio. €)
- Start till 2024



Investment #4-#5“ – leaving central europe

- #4: following market: Binderholz USA (start: 2021, 2022)
- #5: following resource: HS Timber, Belarus (start: spring 2022; 500.000 m³ input



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Top 25 sawmills: +6% in 2021

EUROPAS TOP 20-NADELSCHNITTHOLZ-PRODUZENTEN

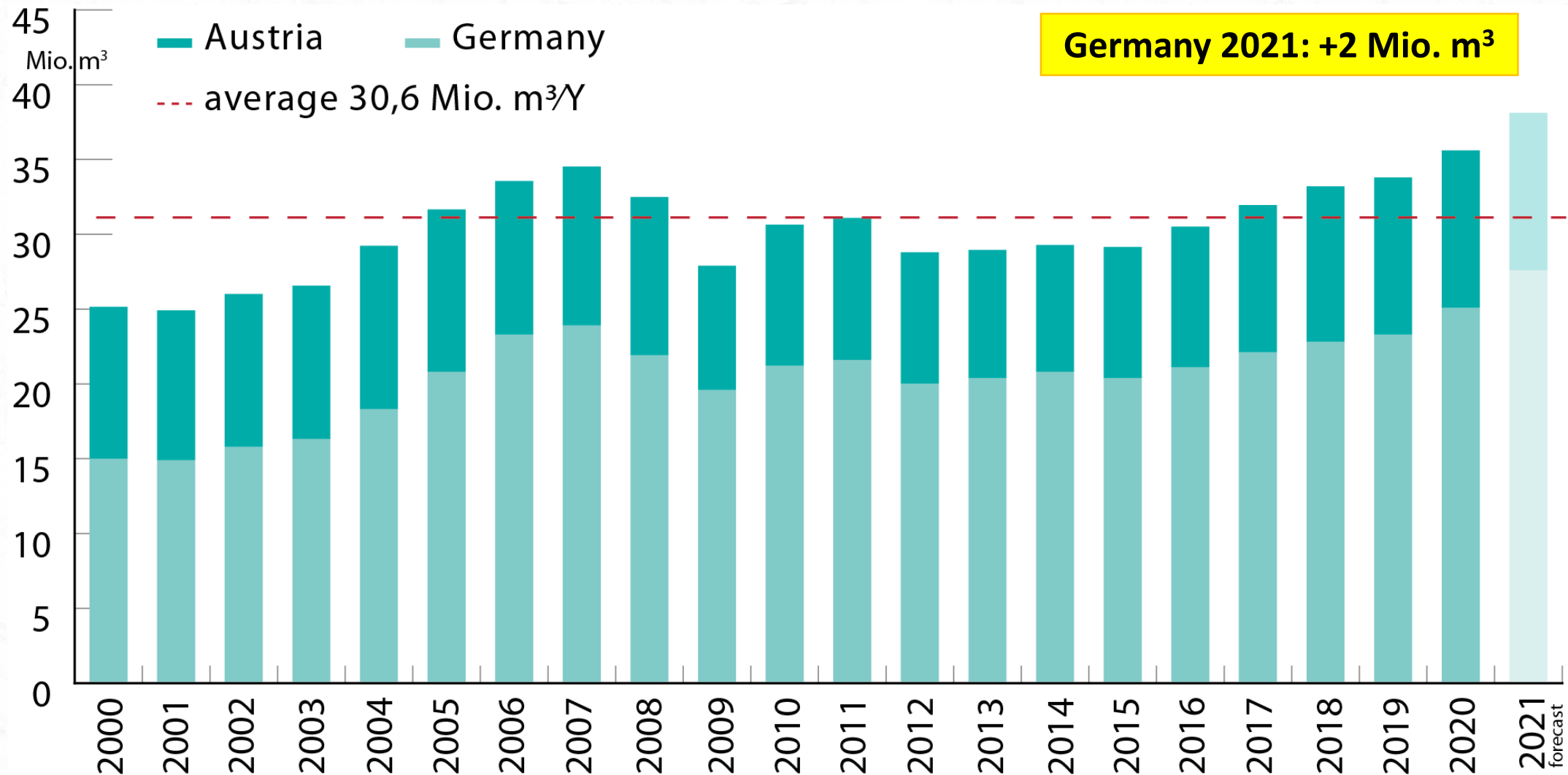
Gereicht nach Plan 2021 (In 1.000 m³)

Rang 2021	Unternehmen	Firmen-sitz	Anzahl Sägewerk	Produktion 2020 in 1.000 m³	Plan 2021 in 1.000 m³	Diff. i. %
1	Stora Enso ¹⁾	FI	18	4.690	4.880	4
2	Binderholz ²⁾	AT	8 (9)	3.180	3.600	13
3	Vida Wood ³⁾	SE	12	2.350	2.500	6
4	HS Timber Group ⁴⁾	AT	4 (5)	1.980	2.200	11
5	Pfeifer Holz ⁵⁾	AT	5	2.080	2.200	6
6	SCA Timber	SE	5	2.000	2.150	8
7	Rettenmeier Holzindustrie ⁶⁾	DE	5	1.900	2.120	12
8	Moelven Group ⁷⁾	NO	15	2.060	2.110	2
9	Mayr-Melnhof Holz ¹⁾	AT	3	1.950	2.050	5
10	Södra Timber ¹⁾	SE	7	1.900	2.000	5
11	Setra Group	SE	7	1.620	1.700	5
12	Ilim Timber ¹⁾	DE	2	1.650	1.650	0
13	Fruytier Scierie S.A.	BE	11	1.520	1.650	9
14	UPM Timber ¹⁾	FI	4	1.600	1.600	0
15	Metsä Fibre ^{1) 8)}	FI	6	1.590	1.600	1
16	Holmen Wood Products ⁹⁾	SE	5	1.440	1.550	8
17	ante-holz	DE	2	1.160	1.490	28
18	Versowood ¹⁾	FI	4	1.350	1.400	4
19	BSW Timber	UK	8	1.230	1.230	0
20	Ziegler Holzindustrie	DE	1	1.210	1.210	0
Summe:				38.455	40.750	6

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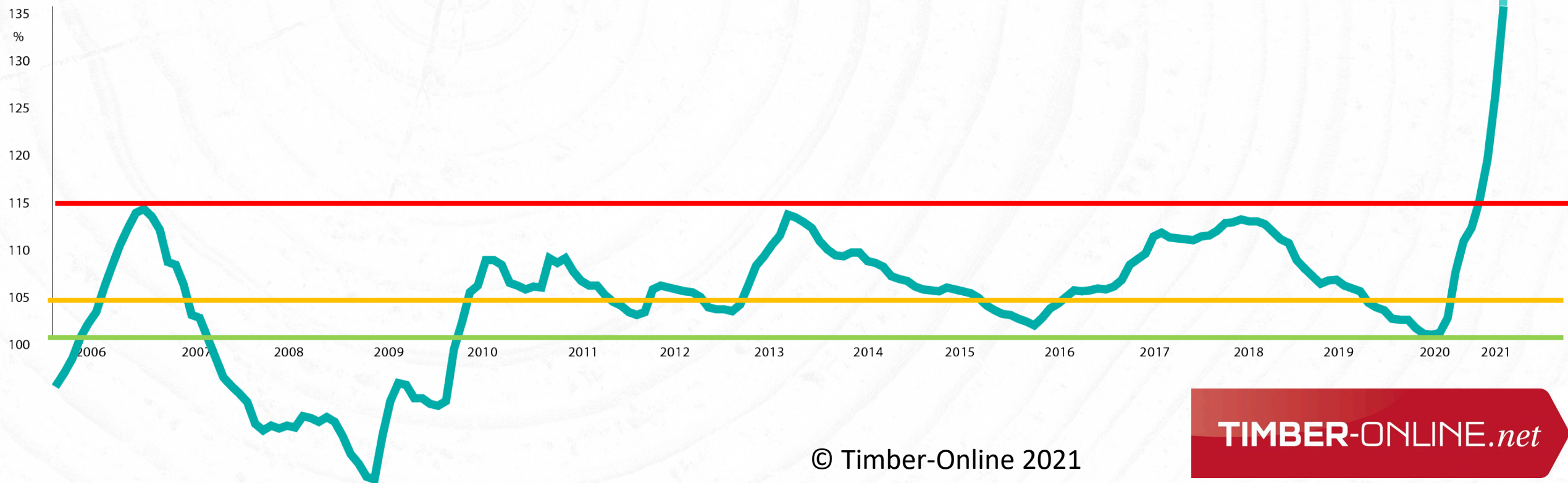
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Sawmills run for the 4th year at full speed



June 2021?

Sales Indicator



Surreal market situation

- Two/three overheated regions: the US, Germany/AT and (Japan)
- extreme price development: “Dachlatten” /Roof batten with 250 €/m³ in previous years: now 350 to 1000 €/m³
- gluelam- and CLT-prices "only" doubled within four months

2021

- **historic logprices** have/will been equaled in June (July).
- forest owners with demands of up to **150 euros per m³**
- currently on the edge between log **shortage** and log **surplus**
- **new log flows** are changing the market: Chinese buyers, Romania buys in Poland/Germany
- **supply distances** are becoming much further
- prices for sawn timber have doubled to four times – expectation of new price levels being established
- **finding adequate, higher price levels** for forest owners and sawmills
- medium-term: **permanent seller's market** for roundwood

2022 to 2025 ...



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