

### When constructing

a furniture, a building or a bridge, we might choose

#### wood







## or we might choose concrete, steel or cement







#### A comparison of materials

#### WOOD

- Made by nature
- The production method (the photosynthesis):
  - is 100 % clean
  - absorbs CO<sub>2</sub>
  - requires no energy
  - free of charge
- Stores carbon
- Renewable

#### **CONCRETE, STEEL, CEMENT**

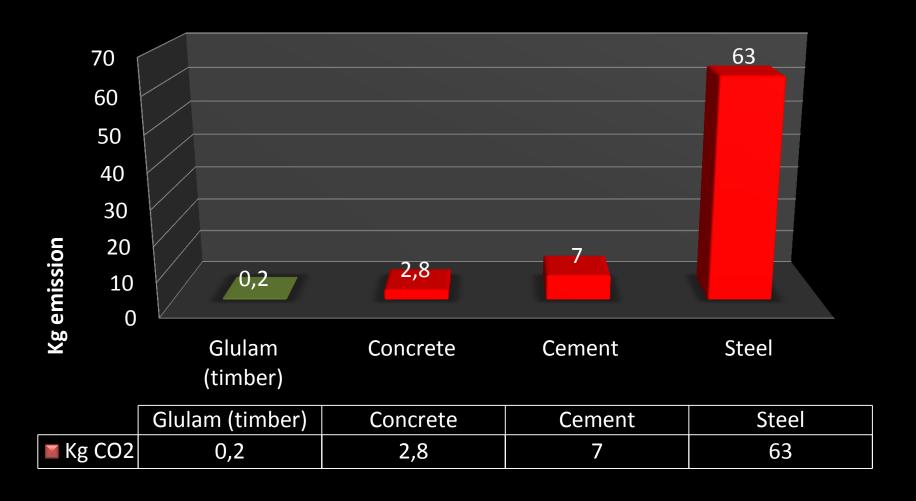
- Made by humans
- The production method (industrial):
  - causes pollution
  - emits CO<sub>2</sub>
  - needs a lot of energy
  - costs money

### Using wood as a building material:

will help us reduce our carbon footprints

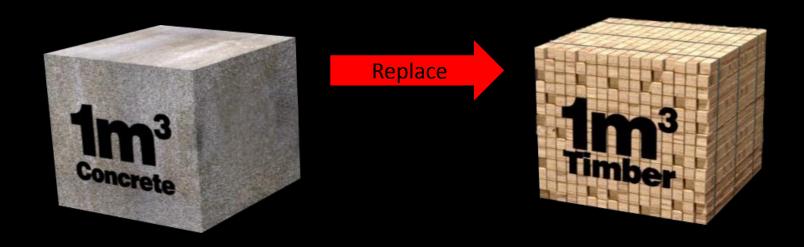
- may be part of the solution to our greatest environmental problem,
  - global warming and climate changes

#### CO<sub>2</sub> emission from production of 10 litre

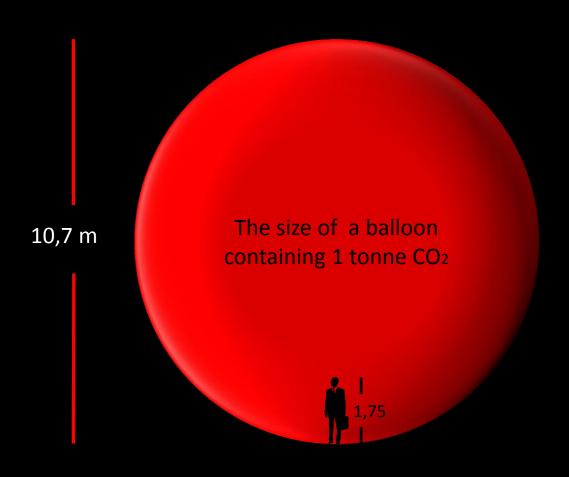


#### Substitution

When 1 cubic metre of concrete is replaced with 1 cubic metre of timber...



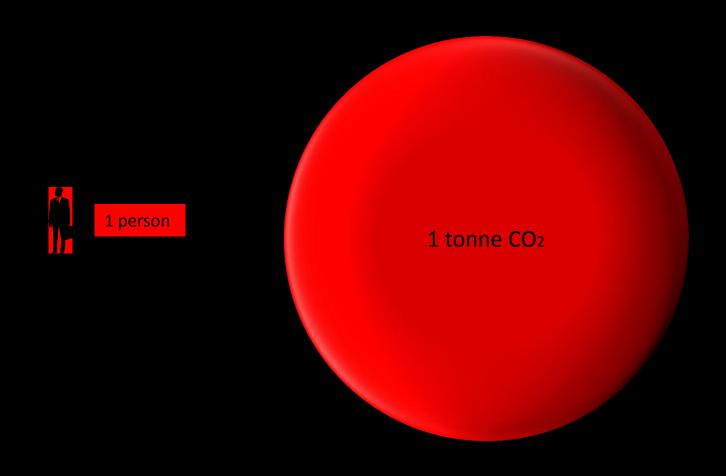
### It reduces the CO2 emission by 1 tonne



# The average emission of CO<sub>2</sub> per capita in Europe, is...



### While the sustainable amount, is



# Conditions for using wood - Sustainable forestry:

- A new tree must be planted for every one cut
- Make sure annual growth is equal to or larger than the amount taken out
- Strict rules and regulations must be followed,
  - to maintain the natural biodiversity
  - to ensure that the next generation also may enjoy our forests



Plant a tree

Use wood

Take care of our forests



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