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Residual Biomass Collection Centers: Integrated Valorization of Biomass and Digitalization of its Management

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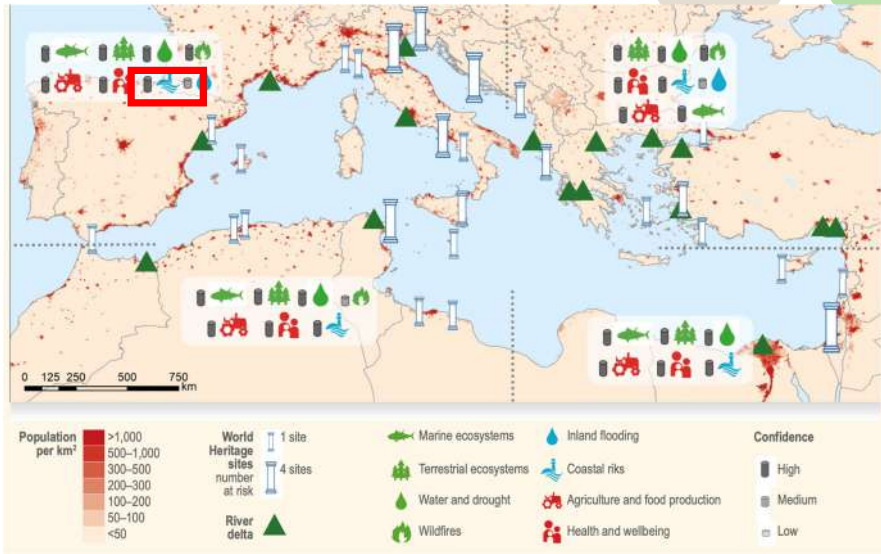
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Problem- *Hotspot*

In Portugal, some of the most relevant climate risks are droughts and heat waves



Increasing the risk and consequences of rural fires



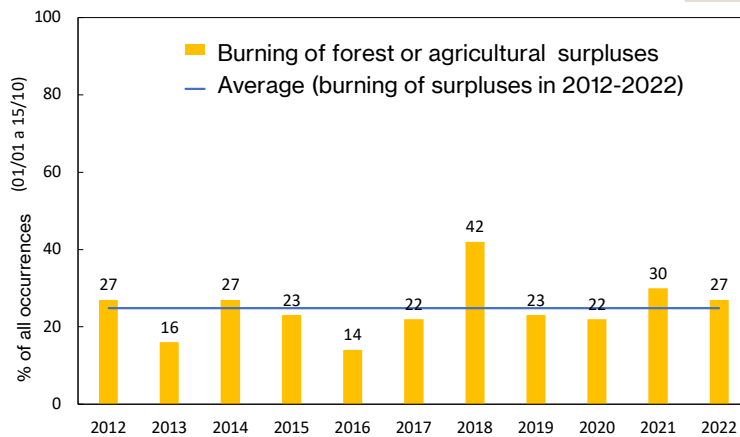
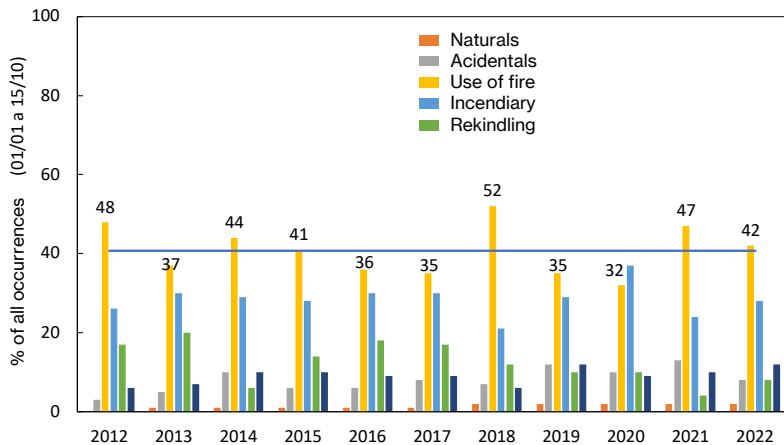
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Problem - Use of Fire

- Burning of forest and agricultural surpluses
- Burning for pasture management

- Garbage burnings
- Making bonfires

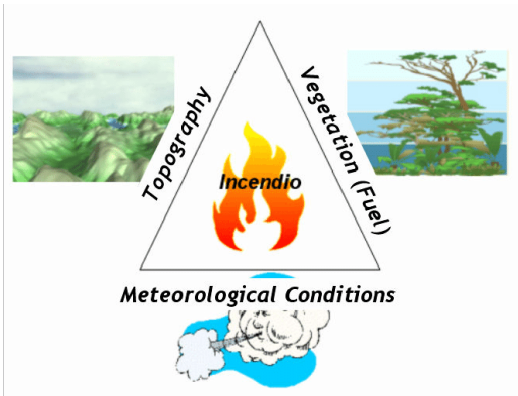




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ONE SOLUTION



Proper management
of agroforestry fuel



Proper management of agro
forestry surpluses

Bodiosa RBCC



Residual Biomass Collection Centers (RBCC)



- Energetic Valorization
- Material Valorization

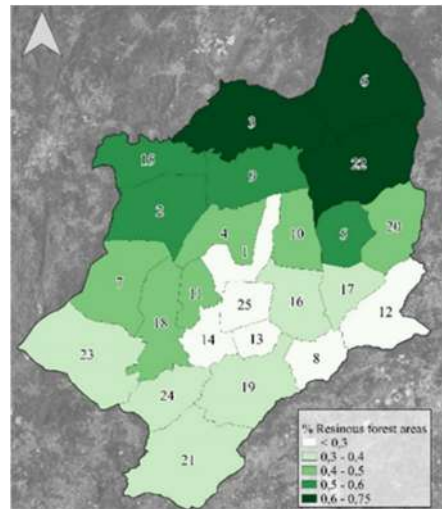
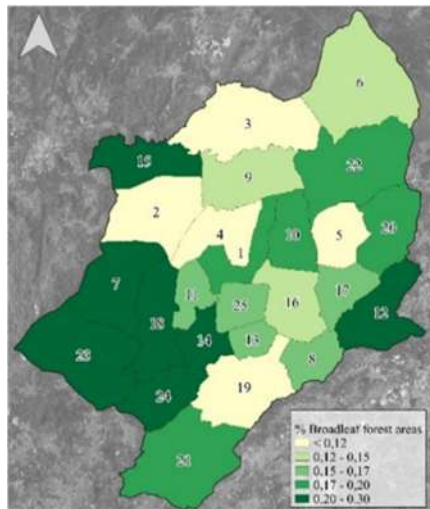
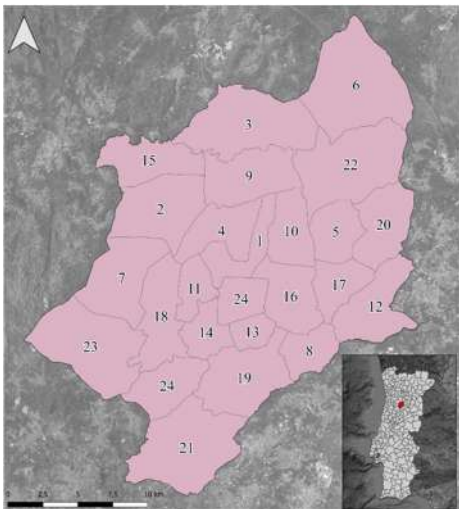




Utilization



The Region

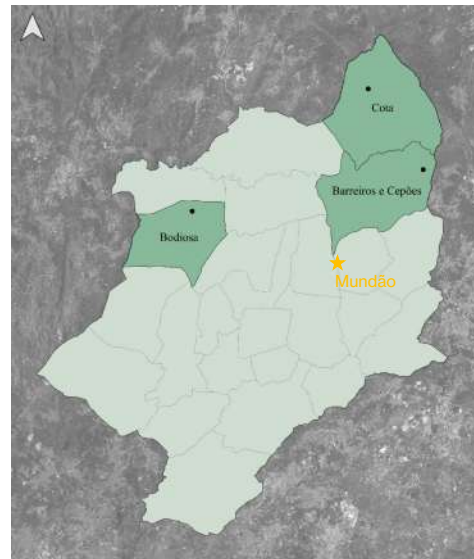
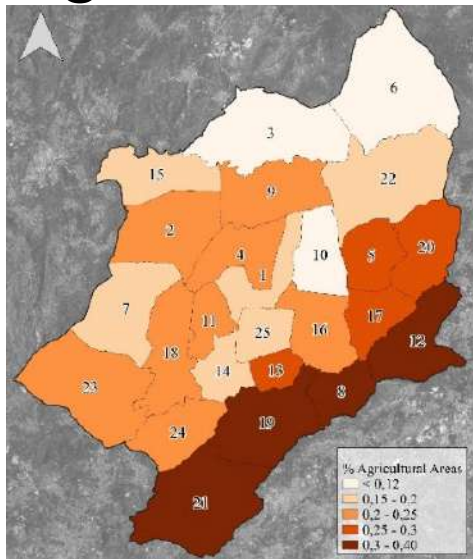




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The Region



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THE PROJECT

OBJECTIVES

1. Physico-chemical characterization of biomass deposited during a period in the RBCC;
2. Assessment of biomass valorization potential by composting and mulching;
3. Analysis of energetic valorization potential with local use;
4. Analysis of the most sustainable options by applying the life cycle assessment methodology;
5. Definition of good practices in the design and operation of forest ecopoints with a view to optimizing their operation and mitigating the risk of forest fires.



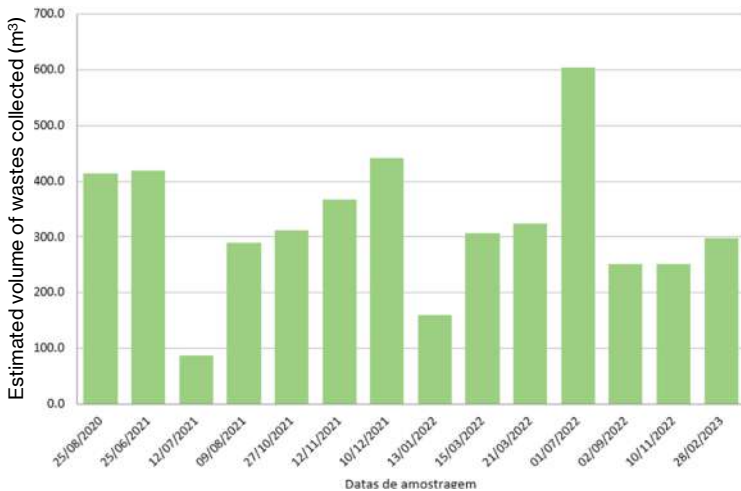
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1. Physicochemical characterization of the biomass deposited in forest ecopoints

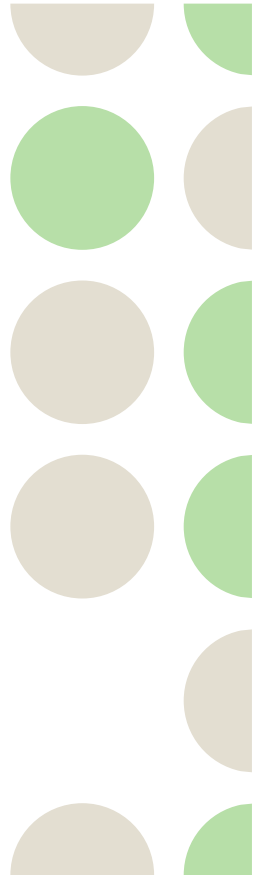
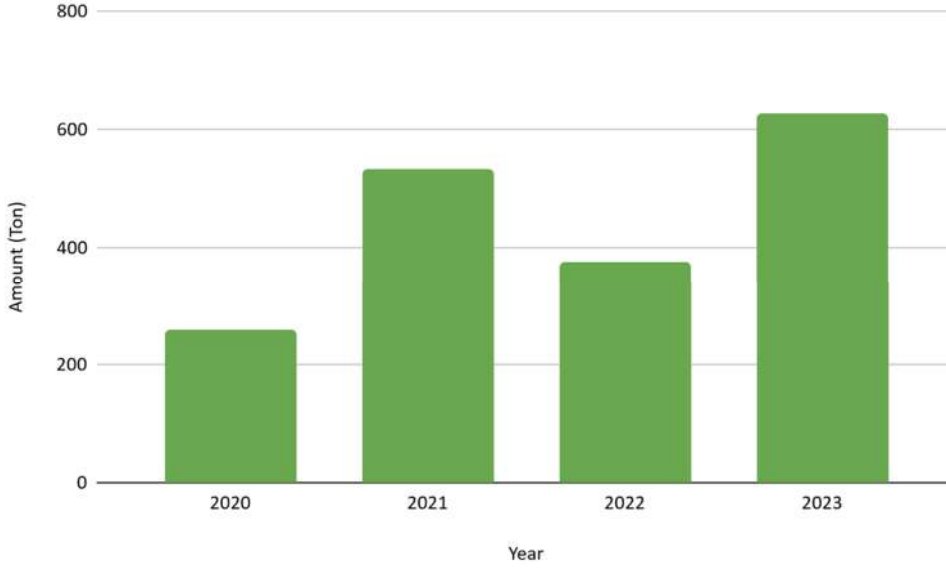


Pinus Pinaster, Olea europea L., Vitis vinifera and Citrus sinensis



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WASTES



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Processing





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2. Biomass valorization potential by composting

2.1. Residual Biomass + sludges from wastewater treatment plant (WWTP)



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Organic Correctives – Group 5 Fertilizer Materials

Parameters	Compost			Ordinance nº 185/2022	Commercial Fertilizer
	Residual Biomass - without OC	Residual Biomass – with OC	Residual Biomass + WWTP Sludge		
Moisture [%]	60.8±0.3	57.2±1.14	61.8±0.2	< 40	40
Organic matter[% _{Dry mass}]	77.7±3.6	53.3±2.2	57.6±1.2	> 30	>70
Organic Carbon[% _{Dry mass}]	43.2±2.0	29.6±1.2	32.0±0.7	-	46
pH	7.92±0.03	7.97±0.02	5.78±0.02	5.5 a 9.0	6.0 a 6.5
Electrical Conductivity [µS/cm]	369.7±17	401±4	444±5	-	180
Nitrogen Kjeldahl [% _{Dry mass}]	1.00±0.01	1.02±0.02	1.74±0.03	-	0.5
C/N	43.2	29.0	18.4	-	102
Germination Index[%]	146.8	54.5	77.2	> 60	
Stability Class	V	V	V	IV e V (maturado)	V
Granulometry [% _{pass, 25 mm}]	89.7	92.6	96.8	> 99	100



OC – Operational control



Parameters	Compost			Ordinance nº 185/2022	Commercial Fertilizer
	Residual Biomass - without OC	Residual Biomass – with OC	Residual Biomass + WWTP Sludge		
Nutrients					
K [% _{Dry mass}]	0.72±0.02	0.70±0.05	0.58±0.13	-	0.3
Mg [% _{Dry mass}]	0.28±0.01	0.29±0.02	0.31±0.02	-	0.1
Ca [% _{Dry mass}]	1.04±0.05	1.27±0.28	0.86±0.09	-	1.0
Heavy Metals					
				CLASS I	
Ni [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	3.67±0.59	4.37±0.17	8.05±2.38	50	
Zn [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	69.4±3.2	81.2±0.8	145±14	200	
Cd [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	0.27±0.02	0.46±0.04	0.60±0.10	0.7	
Pb [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	18.5±4.1	24.0±0.5	22.3±3.7	100	
Cu [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	37.4±1.9	38.4±5.3	89.0±5.1	100	
Cr [mg/kg _{Dry mass}]	21.4±1.5	27.1±4.7	52.6±1.6	100	

OC – Operational control



3. Analysis of energetic valorization potential with local use



- Although they are compatible with the use of splintered biomass as fuel, this splinter has to have dimensions and moisture contents within certain limits for the equivalence of operation, maintenance and efficiency requirements, relative to standard fossil fuel systems, to really exist.
- Verify whether any of the biomass resulting from forest management can be directly usable in energy recovery systems for thermal energy production or whether any additional treatment (or treatments) is required (e.g. screening, additional chipping and/or drying).

Use of residual forest biomass

- Multi-sector applications in processes with high thermal energy consumption
- Greenhouses, Aviaries and Aquaculture
- Hospitality, such as Hotels, Spas & Resorts
- Food and Biotechnology Industry
- Sports infrastructures
- Health & Wellness
- Industrial Processes
- Indoor Swimming Pools, Sports Pavilions and Training Centres
- Hospitals, Clinics and Rehabilitation Centers
- Drying and heat treatment processes
- Schools, Universities, Research Centres, Administrative Buildings, etc



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4. Analysis of the most sustainable options by applying the life cycle assessment methodology



Composting



Mulching



Energy valorization

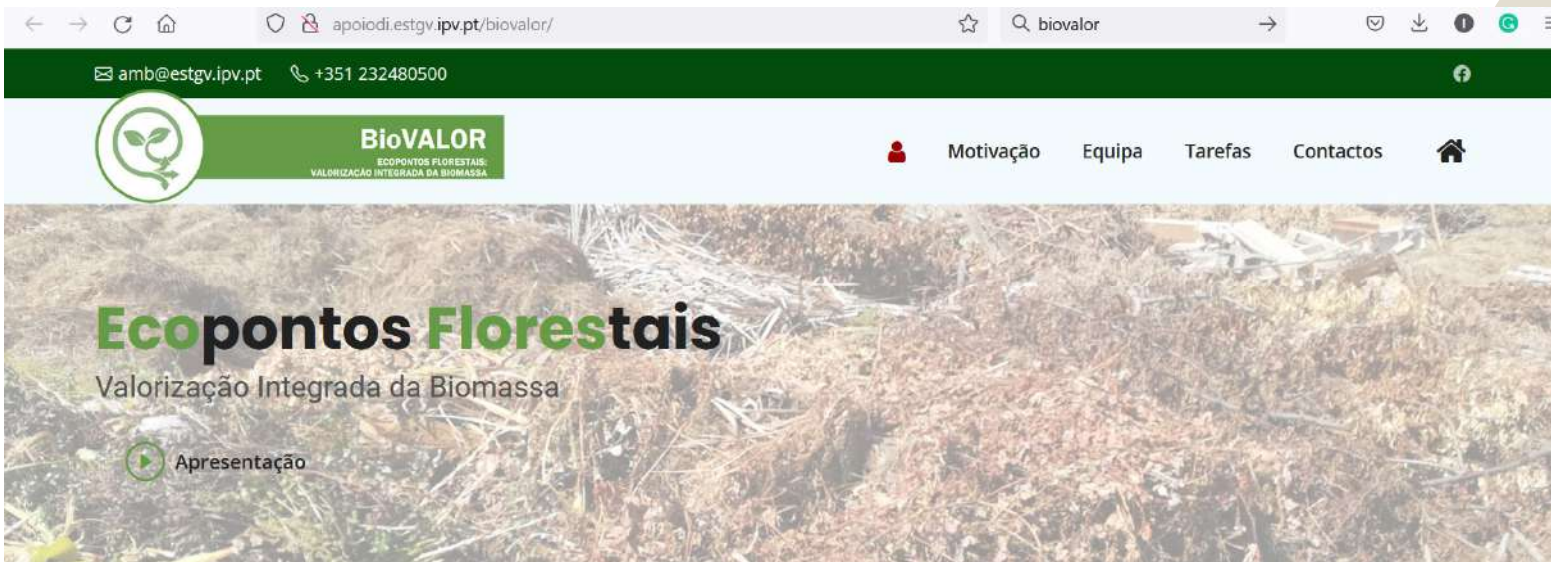




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5. Good Practices, Communication and Awareness



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A Diretiva Energias Renováveis Diretiva (UE) 2018/2001

- meta de 3,5 % até 2030 e um meta intermédia de 1 % até 2025 para os biocombustíveis avançados e o biogás no setor dos transportes.
- o atual limite de 7 % relativamente aos biocombustíveis de primeira geração seja mantido nos transportes rodoviários e ferroviários, é introduzida a obrigação, ao nível da UE, de os fornecedores de combustíveis cumprirem uma determinada quota (6,8 %) de combustíveis hipocarbónicos e renováveis,
- alargamento do âmbito de aplicação dos critérios de sustentabilidade da UE em matéria de bioenergia (a fim de abranger a biomassa e o biogás para fins de aquecimento e arrefecimento e a produção de eletricidade).

**Distribuição das espécies**

Espécies florestais	% Área florestal	Área (ha)
Carvalhos	3,9	130.899
Castanheiro	1,2	40.579
Eucaliptos	20,1	672.149
Sobreiro	21,3	712.813

Parametros	Composto		
	NMC	MC	MCS
M [%]	60.83±0.26	57.21±1.14	61.77±0.16
TOM [% _{dry}]	77.74±3.59	53.27±2.20	57.60±1.18
A [% _{dry}]	22.26±3.59	46.73±2.20	42.40±1.18
TOC [% _{dry}]	43.19±1.99	29.59±1.22	32.00±0.66
D [g/cm ³]	0.44	0.40	0.46
% _{pass}	89.71	92.62	96.84
pH	7.92±0.03	7.97±0.02	5.78±0.02
EC [µS/cm]	369.70±16.57	401.33±4.32	444.11±4.96
TKN [% _{dry}]	1.00±0.01	1.02±0.02	1.74±0.03
NH ₄ ⁺ - N [g/kg _{dry}]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
NO ₃ ⁻ - N [g/kg _{dry}]	12.85±0.38	16.78±1.16	76.79±0.71
C/N	43.18	28.96	18.43
SGI [%]	146.80	54.50	77.20
Stability class	V	V	V