

### Consumers need:

- More choice of suppliers!
- Easier-to-understand prices!
- A competitive market where I have a choice of foreign and domestic and large and small suppliers!

### Suppliers need:

- More demand!
- Easier-to-understand prices!
- A competitive market where I have a choice of foreign and domestic and large and small buyers!

# Biomass Exchange in Slovenia



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## The main services accessible via the Borzen OVE portal are:

- Trading in various products of wood biomass.
- Free advertising for companies involved in biomass.
- Information on renewable energy sources with an emphasis on biomass.

## Who can use the portal?

The portal is freely accessible, and is aimed at companies and individuals working in this market, as well as the general public. Access is controlled only to the trading section, for which you need to register.

## How is the "Borzen OVE" portal set up?

The portal has a dual role: access to trading, and providing information. Trading in wood biomass is carried out using a special application, while information is provided in the form of advertisements, links and the posting of news.

The portal comprises:

**FAQ:** answers to frequently asked questions connected to biomass.

**RULES** contains: Terms and Conditions, Trading Application Manual, Instructions for Advertising, Registration Manual, Catalogue of Products

**DOCUMENTS:** this offers access to rules in PDF format and other articles connected to trading, the portal and biomass.

**ADVERTISEMENTS:** you can browse through advertisements in connection with peripheral segments of the biomass market (divided up into subgroups "machinery and equipment" and "services").

**LINKS:** links to pages offering further information on renewable energy sources and biomass.

## How can I use the portal and trading application?

To use the portal and trading application you do not need any additional hardware or software, but just an ordinary web browser.

## What does it cost to use the portal?

The services provided by the Biomass Exchange are for the moment entirely free of charge. The only "cost" for the user is the "5 minutes for registration". The project is financed by the Agency of the Republic of Slovenia for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Sources through the project GEF (<http://www.aure.si>).

## Why should I register?

By registering, you receive a free user name and password, which you will need to trade. In addition to this the Exchange also provides:

- Easy access via the Internet.
- Better overview of supply and demand - all in one place.
- Free use of all wood biomass exchange services.

## How do I register?

Registration procedure:

1. In the portal select the link "Registration" and enter the required data.
2. At the address you have given you will receive by post a printed registration form.
3. After receipt of the form completed by you we will activate your user name and you can start trading.

Prior to registration please read the Terms and Conditions, which are accessible on the portal.

## Why do I have to give so much information to register, and who has access to this information?

The information you give to register is needed primarily in possible transactions, when the application manager must provide both parties with all relevant information for the actual conclusion of the deal. All the information given will be used exclusively for this purpose, and will not be supplied to third persons without prior consent. All data will be handled in compliance with valid legislation in the Republic of Slovenia.



## What wood biomass products are traded on the Biomass Exchange

The catalogue of wood biomass products posted on the portal defines the products that are traded within the Biomass Exchange. Product definitions set out the basic characteristics that define an individual product. A pictorial representation of the product is also attached, and this provides a clearer idea for all those that are just becoming familiar with wood biomass.

Each traded product is determined with a maximum of five parameters, from which it is possible to deduce its quality, energy value and so forth. The parameters that determine the product's trading code are divided into five groups:

**TYPE OF PRODUCT** (pellets, briquettes, wood chips, firewood, split logs/billets, rolls one meter long, low quality round wood, sawdust, side trimmings / off cuts, wood waste, charcoal, bark).

**DIMENSIONS** (G100, G50, G30, etc.).

**TYPE OF WOOD** (deciduous hardwood, deciduous softwood, conifer wood, mixed wood).

**WATER CONTENT** (class V1, V2, fresh wood, forest dried wood, air dried wood).

**MEASUREMENT UNIT OF TRADED QUANTITY** (kilogram, stacked cubic metre, loose cubic metre).

Code example:

SE\_G100\_ME\_V2\_NM

SE: Wood Chips

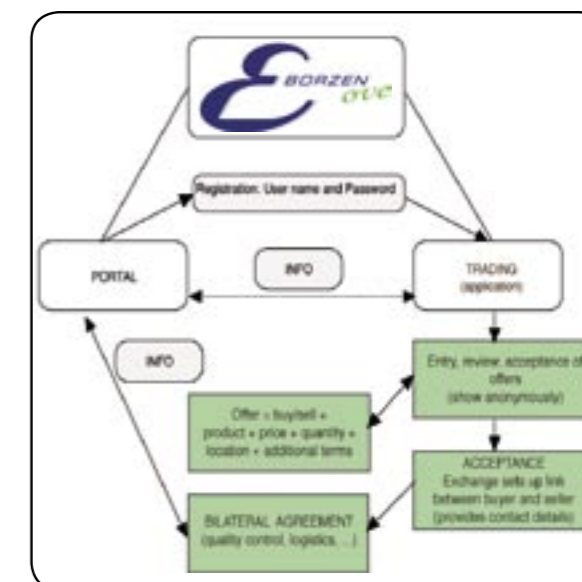
G100: Majority sized between 50 and 100 mm

ME: Mixed wood

V2: Water content below 50%

NM: Unit is loose cubic metre

## How is trading conducted?



## Does the portal offer the possibility of advertising?

The "Borzen - OVE" portal offers to interested companies the possibility of free advertising in the peripheral segments of the biomass market. Advertisements are standardised and limited to the areas of "machinery and equipment" and "services".

"Machinery and equipment" are considered to include primarily, but not exclusively, boilers, chippers and related equipment for the use of wood biomass for energy.

"Services" are considered to include primarily, but not exclusively, project design, assembly, transport, consultancy and related activities.

You can advertise by sending the content set out in the Instructions for advertising, by e-mail to the address [ove@borzen.si](mailto:ove@borzen.si).

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