

# **3rd Annual Meeting of the FSC Network of European Smallholders**

**October 4-6, 2011 - Pontevedra, Galicia, Spain**

**Experiencias na Certificación de Pequenas Propiedades e a súa promoción**  
***Experiences in Smallholders Certification and its promotional side***

Escola de Enxeñería Forestal de Pontevedra (Universidade de Vigo) - Martes 4 de Outubro de 2011  
*Forest Engineering School of Pontevedra (University of Vigo) - Tuesday October 4th, 2011*

10:30-11:00	<i>Welcome and opening Speech and Remarks /</i> Benvida e apertura da xornada
11:00-11:30	Propiedade Forestal en Europa en Cifras. Impacto da certificación no Sector Forestal Europeo. <i>European Smallholders in Figures. Impact of Certification in EU Forestry.</i> Juan Picos – Universidade de Vigo - University of Vigo
11:30-12:00	Proxecto Piloto de certificación de pequenos e medianos propietarios forestais en Galicia <i>Pilot project of small and medium size forest owners in Galicia</i> Pablo López Abelenda – Oficina FSC España en Galicia - FSC Spain office in Galicia.
12:00-12:30	Certificación de Pequenas Propiedades Forestais en Galicia. O caso do CFCCGA. <i>Smallholders Forest Certification in Galicia. CFCCGA Case Study.</i> Isabel Puentes – CFCCGA
12:30-13:00	Certificación de Pequenas Propiedades Forestais en Galicia. // <i>Smallholders Forest Certification in Galicia.</i> Rogelio González Tato -Consultor Iniciativa en Gestion Forestal (INEVA) – Consultant INEVA
13:00-14:00	Comida – Lunch
14:00-14:30	Os Montes Veciñais en Man Común – unha propiedade singular <i>Montes Veciñais – a Singular land property form</i> Organización Galega de Comunidades de Montes
14:30-15:00	Certificação de pequenos propietarios : unha realidade // <i>Certification of Small Holders: a reality</i> Vera Santos – FSC Portugal & Cláudio Heitor – Fenafloresta & Ricardo Marinho - Forestis
15:00-15:30	Programa de etiquetado de comunidades e pequenos produtores <i>Small and Community labelling program</i> Angeline Gough & Shoanna Humphries – FSC IC
15:30-16:00	A campaña “Madera Justa” e o proxecto “Sustainable Timber Action in Europe” <i>The "Madera Justa" campaign and Sustainable Timber Action in Europe project</i> Alessandro Leonardi & Javier Fernández – Copade
16:00-16:30	Formación na nova plataforma B2B de FSC IC // Training on FSC IC new Business-to-Business Platform (B2B) Angeline Gough & Shoanna Humphries – FSC IC

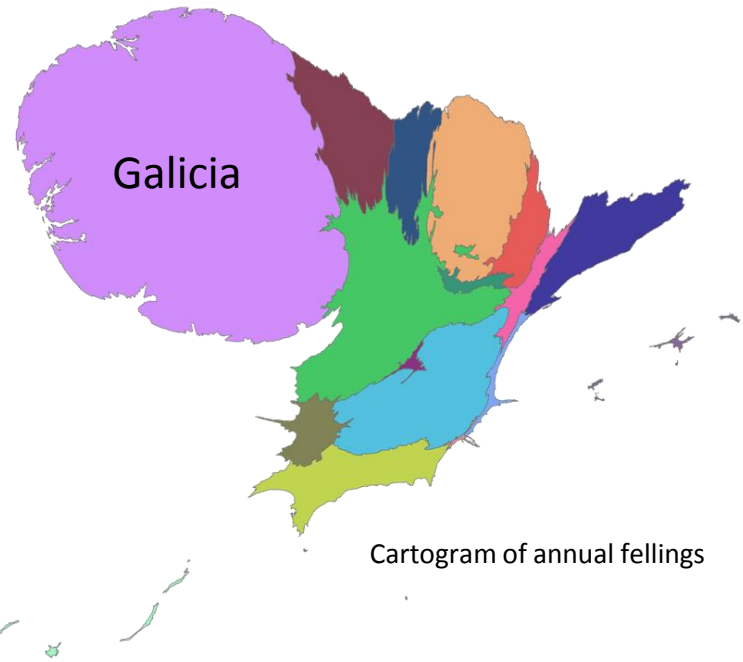
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Cartogram of annual fellings

Galicia = 60% of Total Spanish Timber Harvest

Source: BDN-MARM (2008)

Galicia = 75% of Total Spanish Private Timber Harvest

Source: BDN-MARM (2008)

2010 in Galicia:

33.000 timber sales

Source: Monte Industria (2010)

6,8 Mm<sup>3</sup> industrial + aprox. 1Mm<sup>3</sup> fuelwood

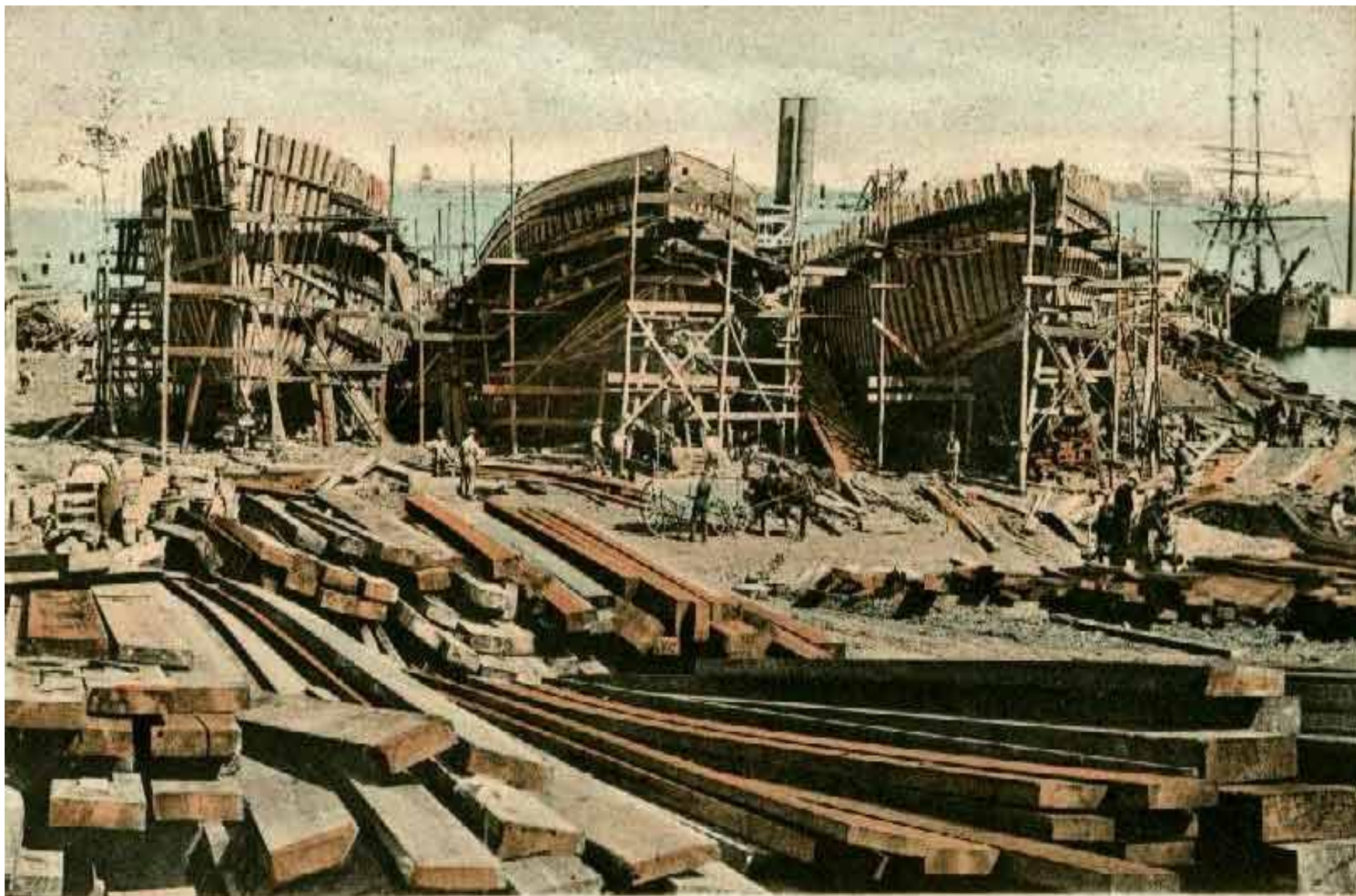
Source: Monte Industria (2010)

200 m<sup>3</sup> / timber sale in avrg.

80% of forest plots < 0,5 ha (650.000 forest owners)



La importancia de la madera en la construcción de las nuevas ciudades se ilustra con la prohibición en 1609 de almacenar paja dentro de las viviendas de Pontevedra para evitar incendios “*por ser como eran todas las casas de tabla*”.



*R. Palmer & Son's Shipyard, Noank, Conn.*

Handcolored.

- El escritor árabe Edrisi menciona en 1154, las atarazanas ... de Lérez, Ulla y Santiago de Compostela.



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*“El objeto de la Selvicultura  
no son los árboles,  
sino la gente”*

*“su objeto son los árboles sólo si estos son capaces  
de satisfacer las necesidades de la gente”*

(Westoby, 1967, citado en Leslie, 1987: ix)



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# Smallholders

- Smallholders is the term used to describe those who own, manage or use forests which are considered “small” in relation to others in their region, and those who apply low intensity harvesting practices to timber and/or *non-timber forest products*.

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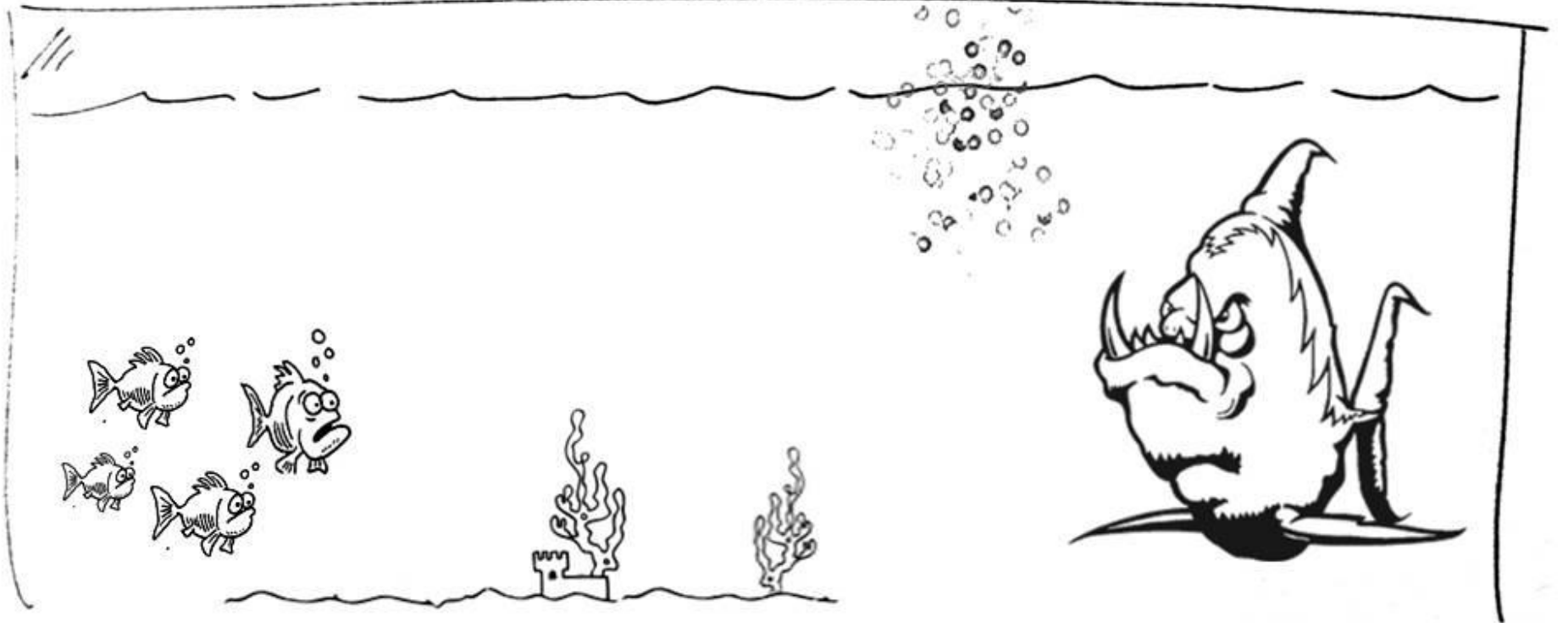
In different parts of the world, smallholders are known by different names:

- woodlot owners,
  - family forests,
  - small non-industrial private forests,
  - small forest enterprises,
  - community forestry operations,
  - and non-timber forest product (NTFP) harvesters
- ...

Collectively Smallholders face cost and procedural barriers to *certification*.

Access to FSC *certification* and its benefits can be more challenging for small forest holders than for larger enterprises or public agencies.

# Is CERTIFICATION like feeding the BIG FISH???



# Characteristics of family forestry in Europe

- 60% of EU 15 forests are owned and managed by families
- Small scale forest holdings (average size: EU15=5 ha;)
- 15 million family forest owners (EU 25)
- Value chain approach (main supplier to industry)
- Generation bridging management based on secure property rights
- Multifunctional forest management orientated to the long term respecting the diversity across Europe
- Local ownership, contributing to economic and social sustainability of communities
- High degree of organisation from local to national level

Figure 67: Area of privately owned forest as percent of total forest (2005)

Private ownership (%)

- 0-15
- 16-30
- 31-45
- 46-60
- 60-100

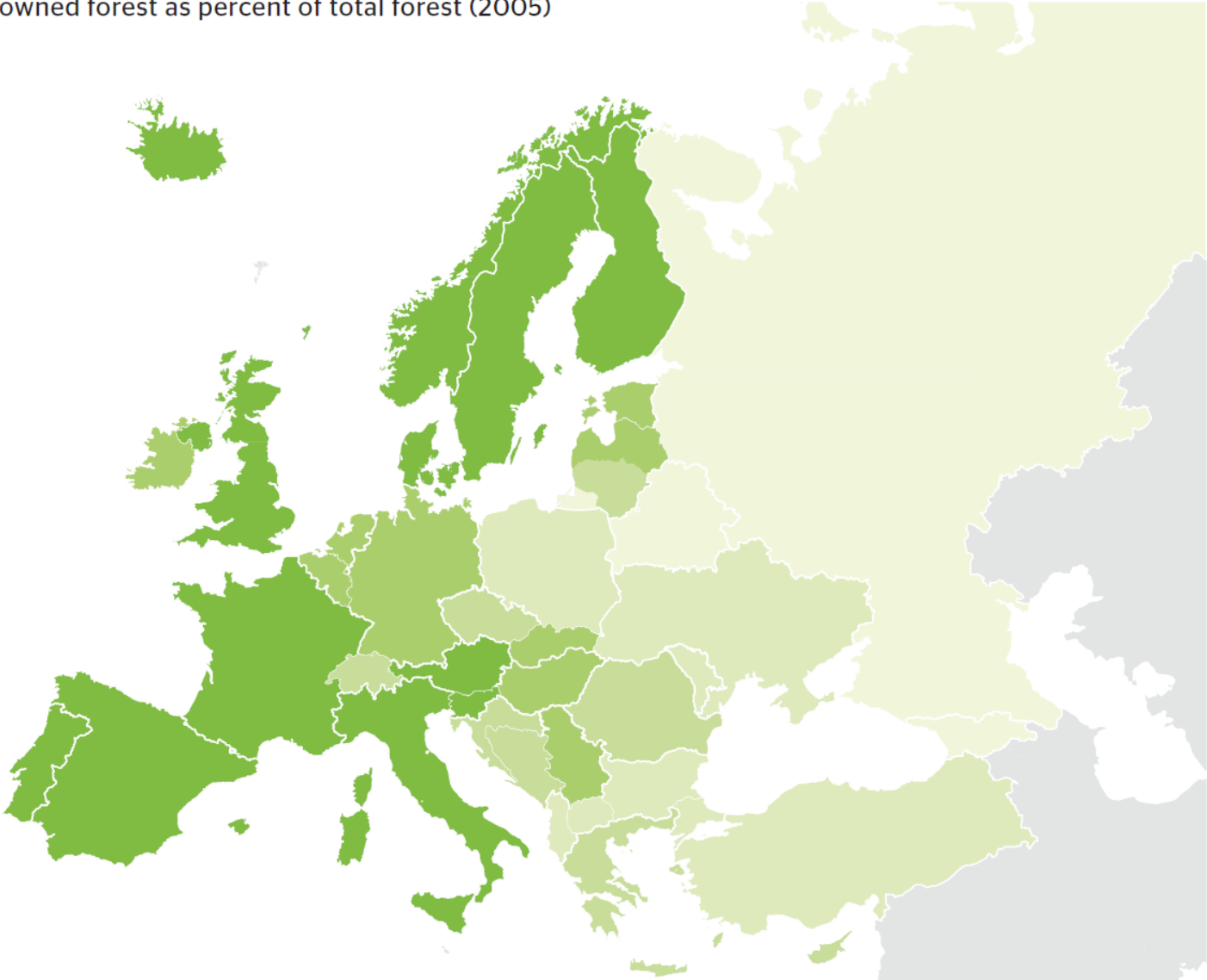
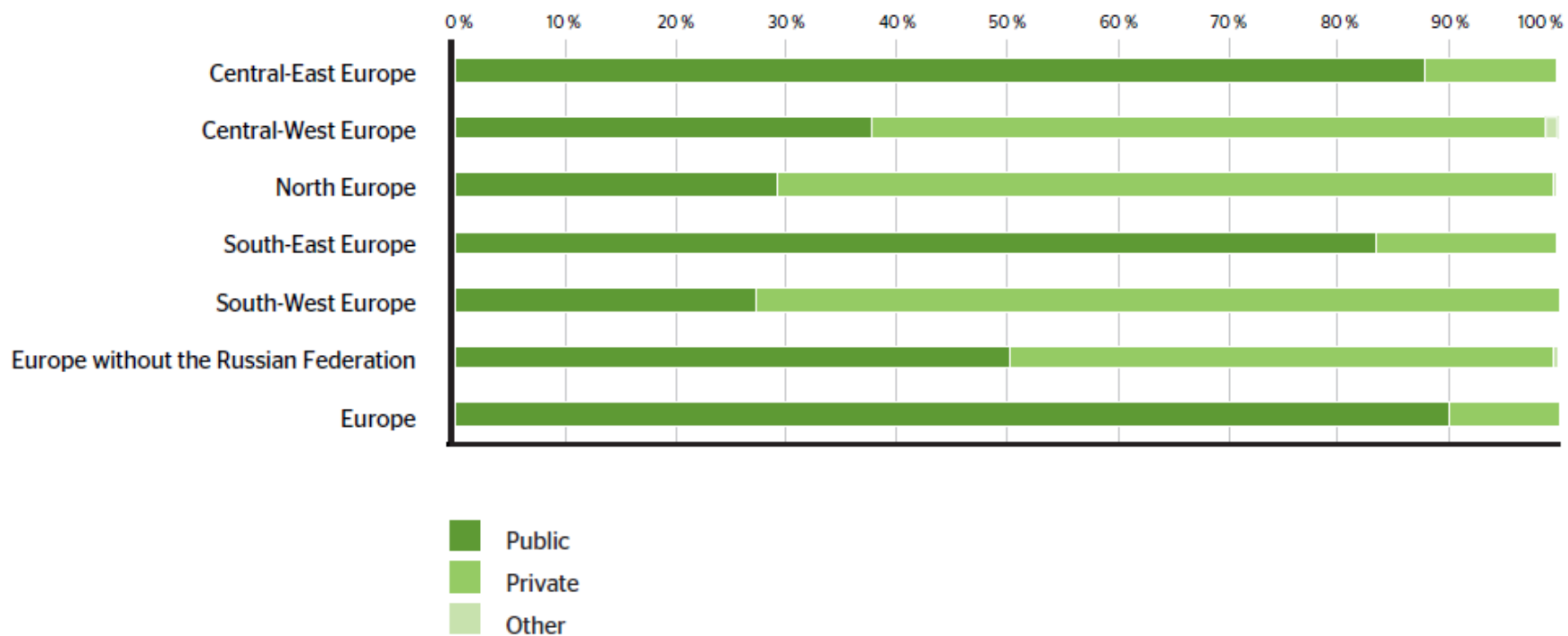
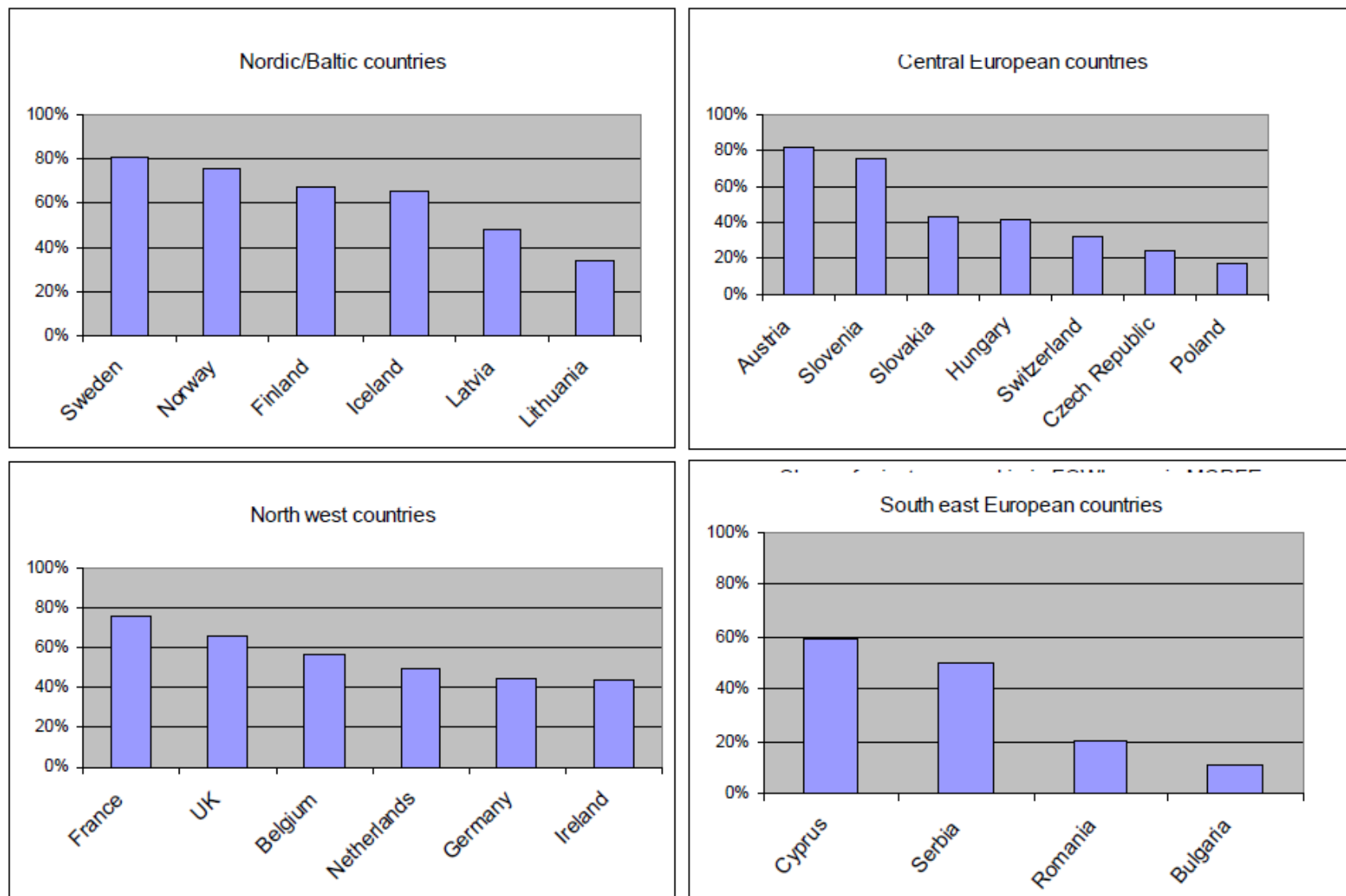


Figure 68: Distribution of forest area 2005 by ownership classes and region

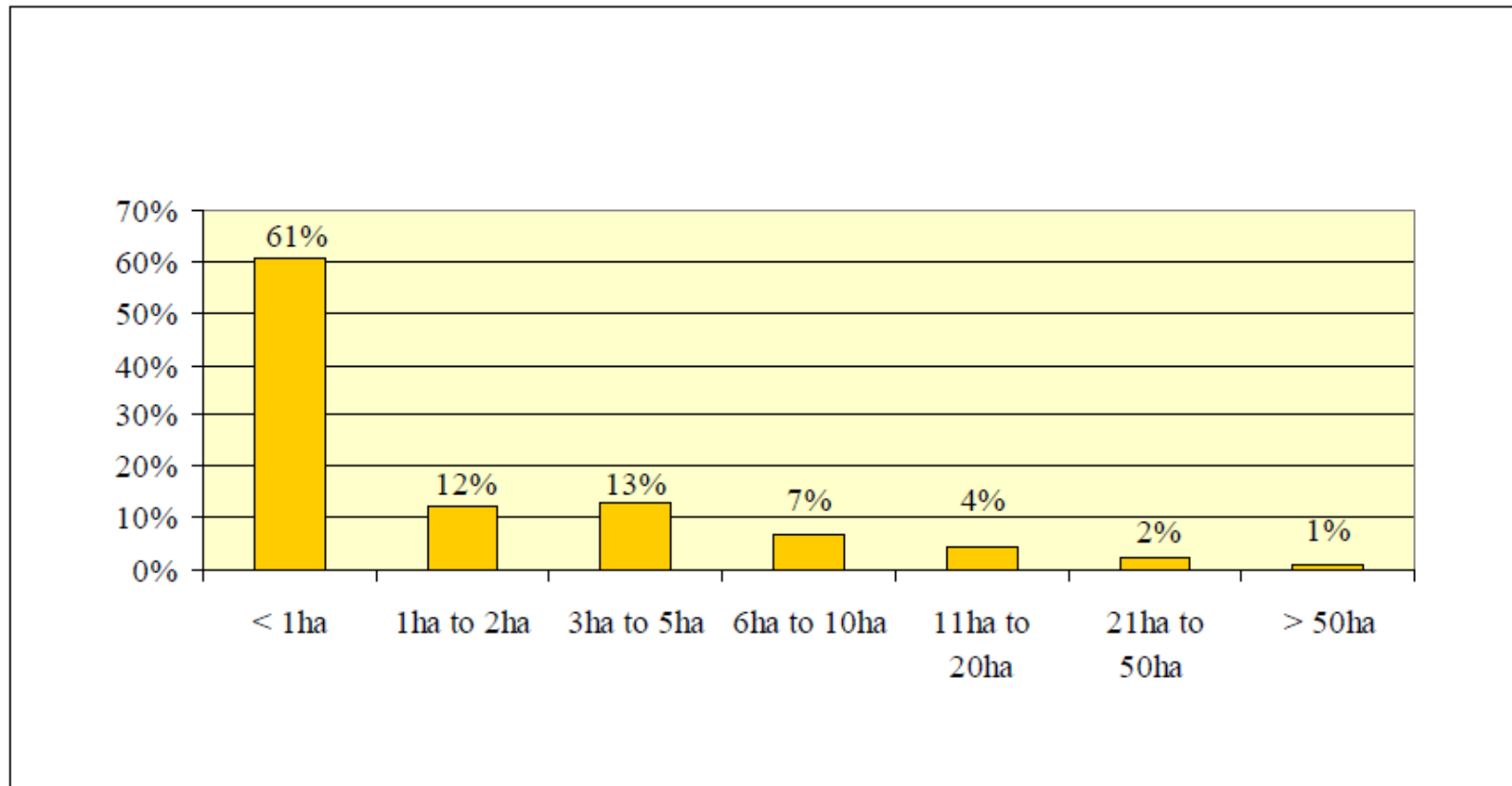


**Figure 2.1.6. Share of private ownership in forest and other wooded land according to MCPFE Warsaw country groups (percentage)**



*Source:* Private Forest Ownership database, based on 2006-2007 enquiry, reporting form 1.1, 1.2

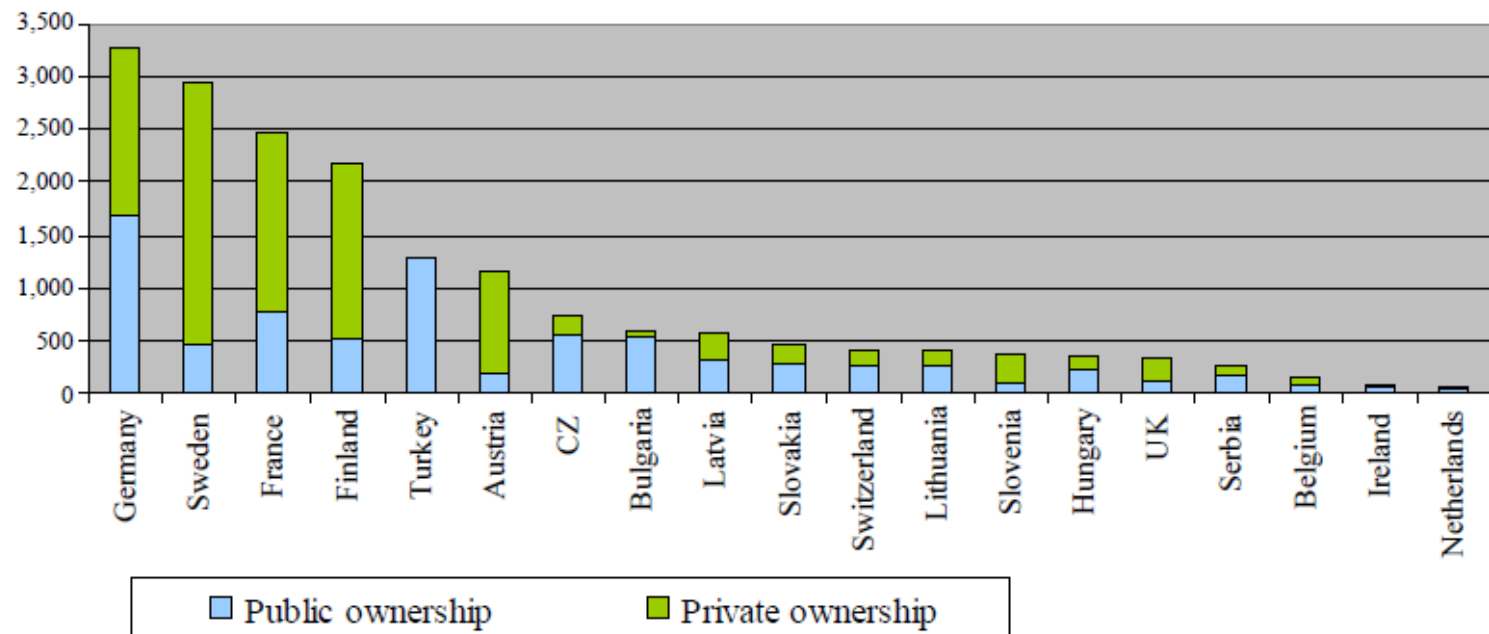
**Figure 2.2.1. Size structure by the ratio of private holdings to the total number of holdings (percentage)**



*Note:* Nine Countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia and United Kingdom

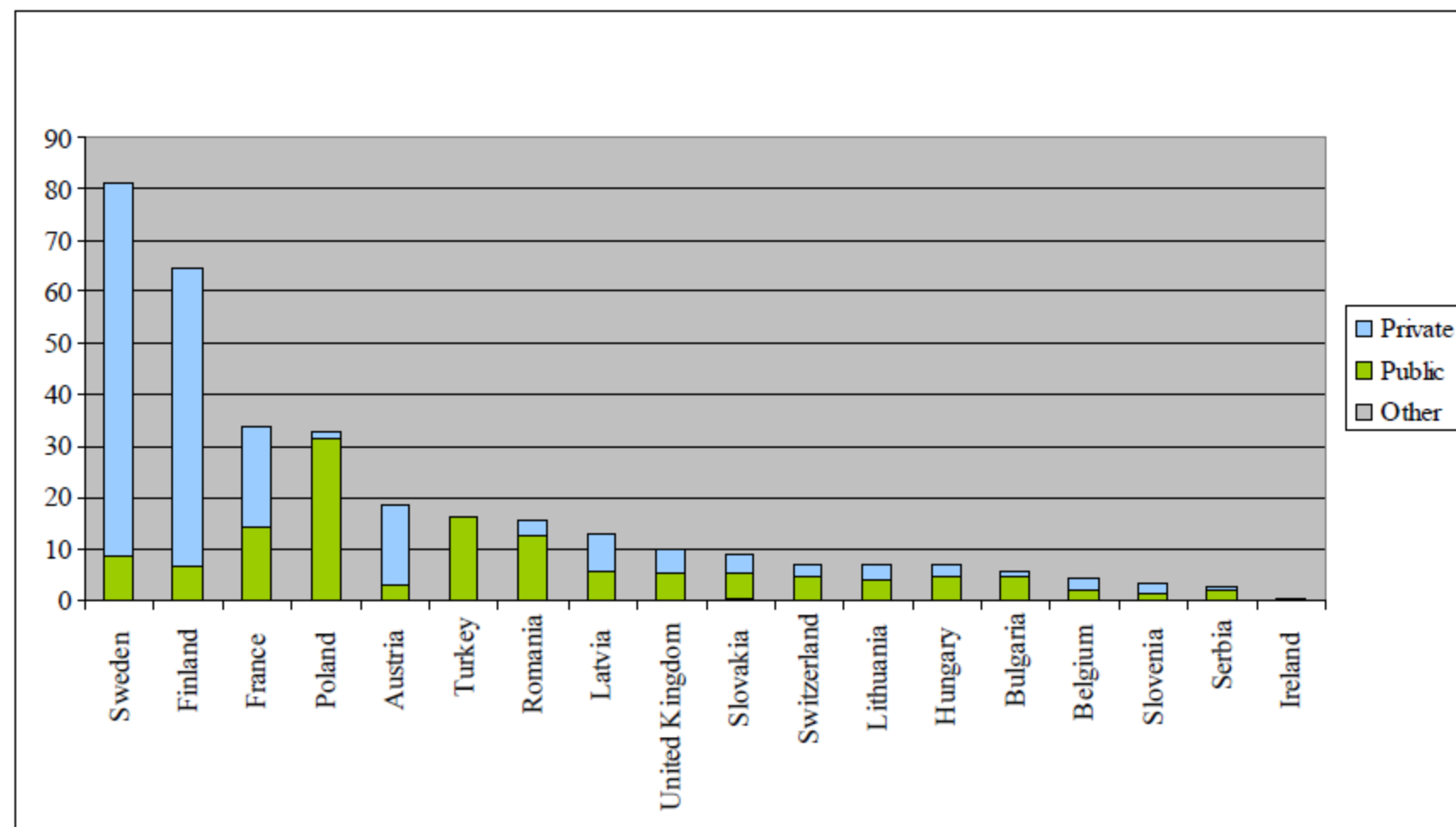
*Source:* Private Forest Ownership database, based on 2006-2007 enquiry, reporting form 2

**Figure 2.3.1. Total growing stock of forest and other wooded land by ownership categories (million m<sup>3</sup>)**

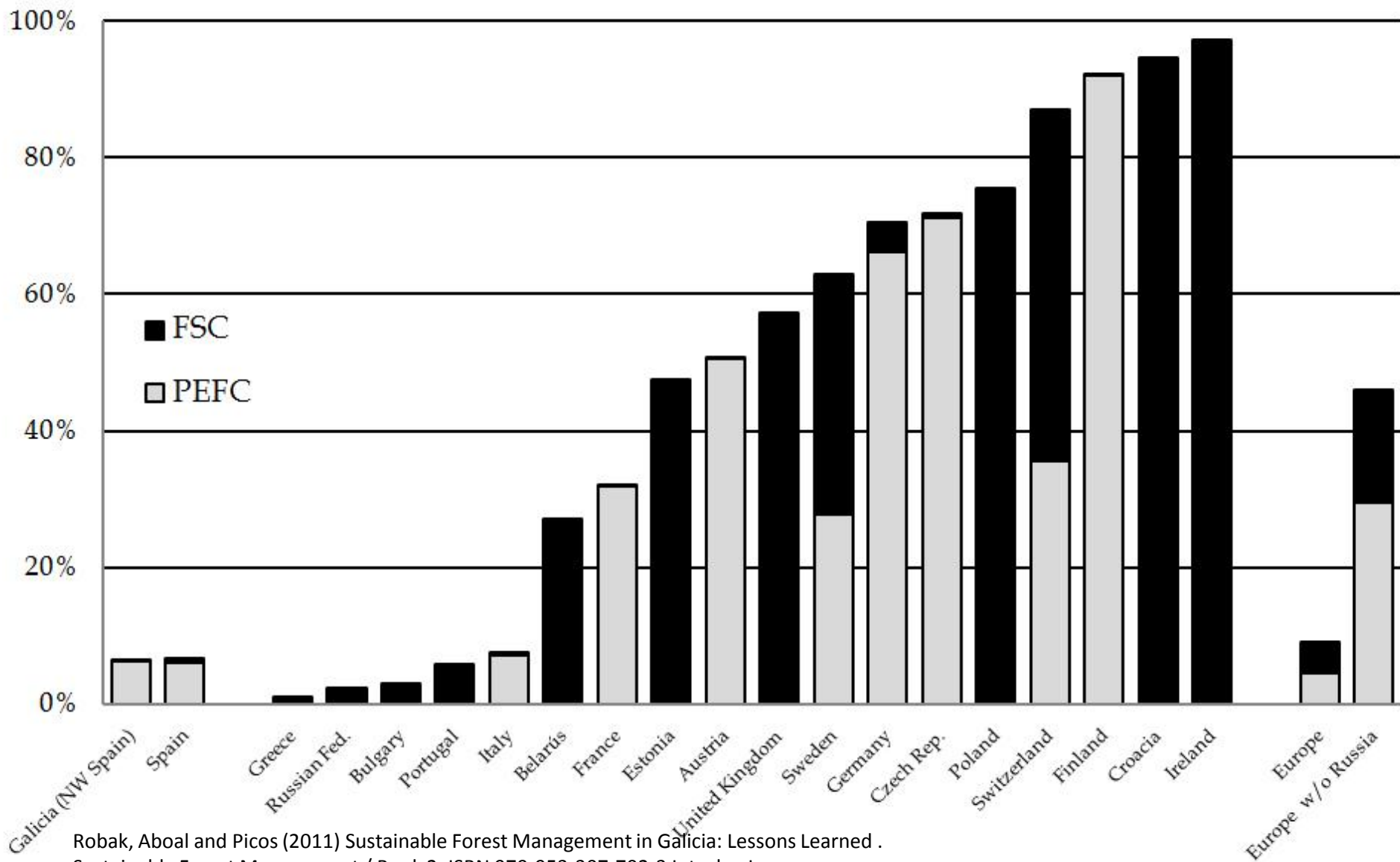


*Source:* Private Forest Ownership database, based on 2006-2007 enquiry, reporting form 3.

**Figure 2.3.2. Total annual fellings on forest and other wooded land by ownership categories (million m<sup>3</sup>)**

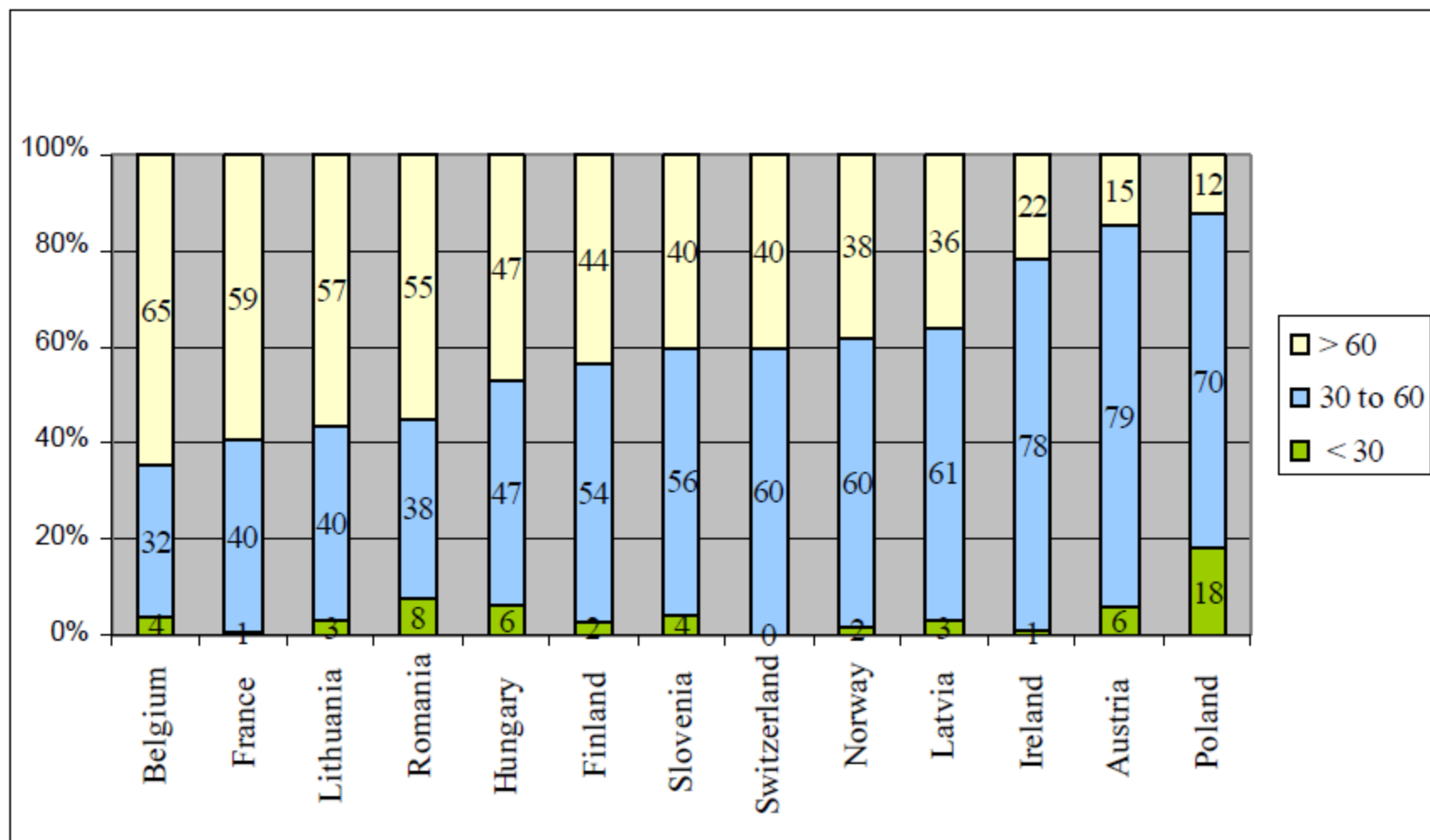


**Source:** Private Forest Ownership database, based on 2006-2007 enquiry, reporting form 3.



As for 2009. Note FSC and PEFC areas are added though in some cases there are overlappings because of double certifications

**Figure 2.5.1 Private forest ownership by owners' age classes (percentage)**



*Source:* Private Forest Ownership database, based on 2006-2007 enquiry, reporting form 6.