Make Hermada Green Again

By leaves we live

Gabon: Hope for a green economy

As tropical forests cover over 80% of its land area and oil reserves are declining, **the Central-African country is intent on becoming a "green superpower"**. Its forest industry is shifting to sustainable Gabon bolsters environmental and social impact to remain one of the few countries worldwide that stores more CO_2 than it emits.

Even if thin, the elephant still remains the king of the forest.
(Indonesian proverb)

Gabon stores ***much more carbon than it emits*** *with help from its vast forests and mangroves*

A tropi-call for the future

Nuova vita in città rispettando la foresta

Local-to-local. The wood's journey to Turin

The Bambidié community is home to the Iroko timber brought to Turin. **The durable hardwood is sustainably and legally sourced by local workers.** The timber industry supports both the forest and the communities living within it. Unlike deforestation by other forms of development, it enables the sustainable livelihood of the people.

Would Iroko remain ten years in the water but it will never become a crocodile.
(Indonesian proverb)

Gabon & il parco sotto la stessa bandiera

Colori
Gabon: the tropical forest
Precolinear: the city trees

Scilline
Gabon: the sun
Precolinear: Torino Stratosferica

Rifer
Gabon: the Atlantic Ocean
Precolinear: the Po River

Dal Gabon a Torino

Sostenibile, resistente e da filiera legale: dalle foreste tropicali curate dalla comunità di Bambidié in Africa centrale, legno iroko per gli arredi urbani del Precollinear Park.

Un progetto pilota con Cities4Forests per la transizione ecologica di una città aperta all'innovazione.

The Congo Basin represents about ***10 tears of global emissions of*** CO_2

Gabon is one of the most heavily forested countries in the world: ***88.1% of Gabon is covered by trees***

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Naturally urban

Spazio pubblico, legno tropicale

This iroko timber was sustainably harvested by Bambidié and Lehama communities living in the forestry management units of Bambidié, Lehama, and Okondja, under FSC and PEFC certification.

The wood industry accounts for ***18% of Gabon's economy***

"It must be kept that originally the Gabonese from Central Africa are *ecofe from the forest.* They lived in the forest, the forest gave them everything. Naturally, *that means they have a lot of respect for that forest.*"

Hana Fahrer
Chairman and CEO of Ecowood SA in Gabon

Gabon to Turin Sustainable wood for a sustainable world

The private forestry sector employs ***26% of Gabon citizens***

Thriving forests, thriving people

Hermada Sustainable Hotspot – a pilot project by Cities4Forests and Torino Stratosferica with the support of the City of Turin (Deputy Mayor for Ecological and Digital Transformation).

Legality and sustainability: Saving the lungs of Africa

Protecting the forest means knowing it and ensuring that the rights of people and ecosystems apply across the board to **ensure biodiversity and ensure transparency, traceability, and sustainability in the supply chain.** When each tree is highly respected, the forest and communities that rely on it are cherished, too.

Conservation wood

Gabon is the last remaining stronghold for ***forest elephants*** *in the world and their habitat is supported by conservation timber*

Gabonese wood prompts Turin's ecological transition

With the Hermada Sustainable Hotspot, the forest industry is shifting to sustainable, climate neutrality, and supports the vision of the Precollinear Park. **The city sets out to become a model for effective change, a test bed for innovation**, by working with Gabon's forest industry to support a large-scale ecological transition to benefit communities and biobased economies locally and globally.

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