

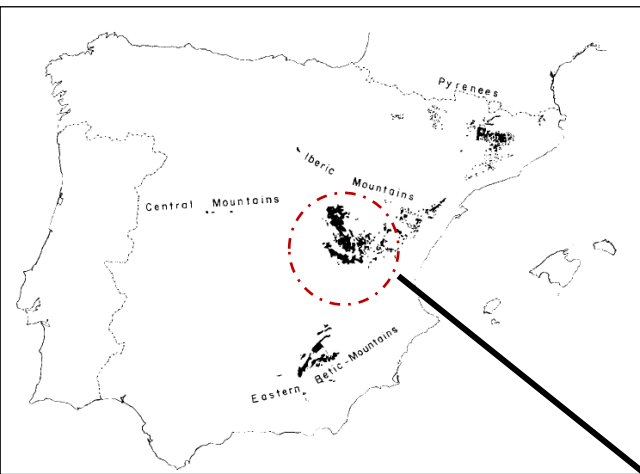


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Forestry Sector in Cuenca (Spain): Key Figures and Characteristics:

- 1. Forest Area:** Over 850,000 hectares (60% of the province's surface).
- 2. Economic Importance:** traditional forest activities: logging, resin extraction, recreation activities and hunting-related services.
- 3. Population Context:** 196,000 inhabitants, with a low population density (<13 inhabitants/km²).
- 4. Timber Production:** Top provinces in timber production (300,000 to 400,000 m³, from sustainable forest management plans).

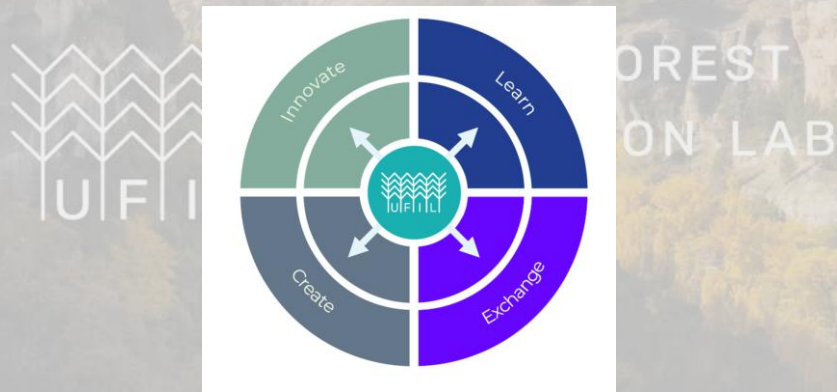
=> sawmills, pellet producers, and small-scale artisanal woodcraft enterprises.
- 5. Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFPs)**
=> Resin tapping, Mushrooms and truffles, Medicinal and aromatic plants, Hunting and tourism
- 6. Natural protected areas, biodiversity conservation, ecosystem services**



**Identifying and testing
innovative solutions for
sustainable urban
development**

Urban Forest Innovation Lab (UFIL) aims to provide the **tools and knowledge** necessary to undertake initiatives in the **forest bioeconomy**, with the goal of generating a sustainable impact in the region.

We train entrepreneurs who want to become leaders in the challenge of creating economic value by using our forest resources in an eco-efficient and sustainable way.



Urban Forest Innovation Lab is the forest bioeconomy entrepreneurship program of Cuenca.



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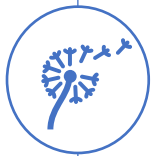


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Circular Economy



Bioeconomy



Forest Bioeconomy



We have turned the forest into a training space to create an innovative economic fabric that respects the environment:

- Research: 12 areas of opportunity
- Business Development
- Design and Innovation actions
- Incubation and Acceleration
- Public Awareness
- Rural-Urban Development

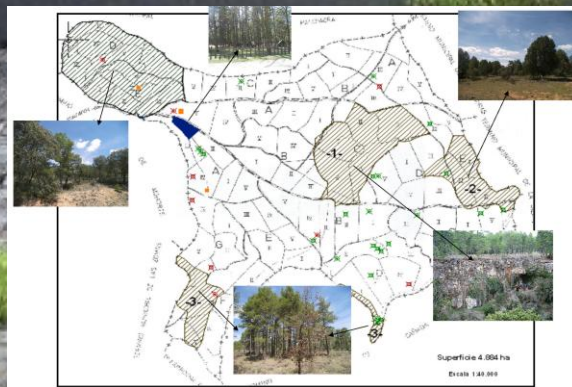


UFIL Ecosystem

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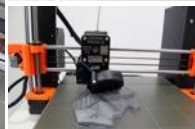
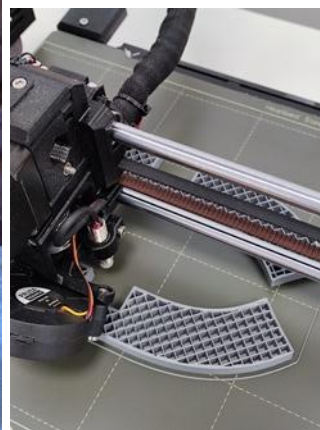
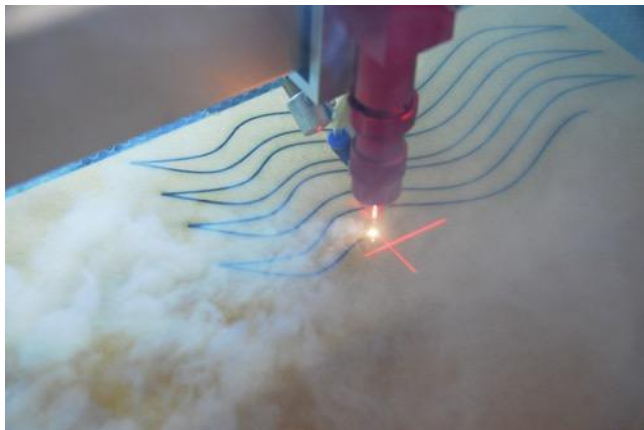
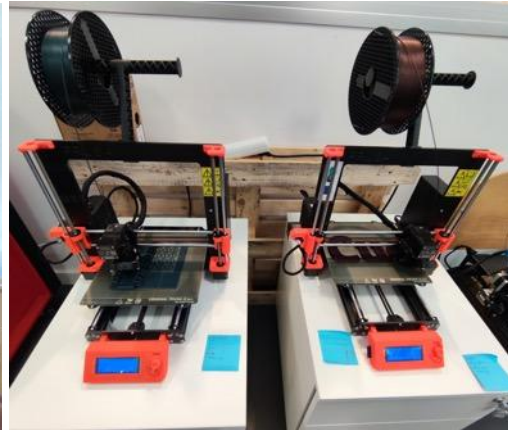
105 entrepreneurs across 3 cohorts

150+ participants over 5 years

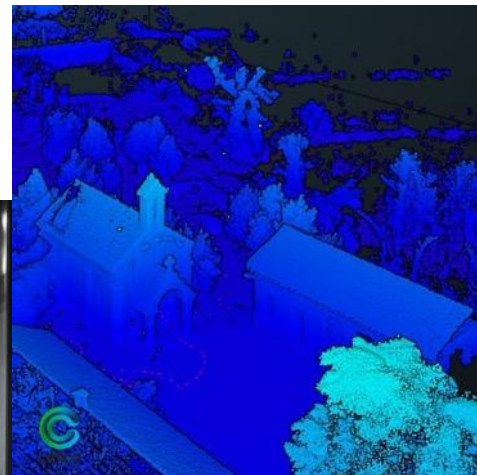
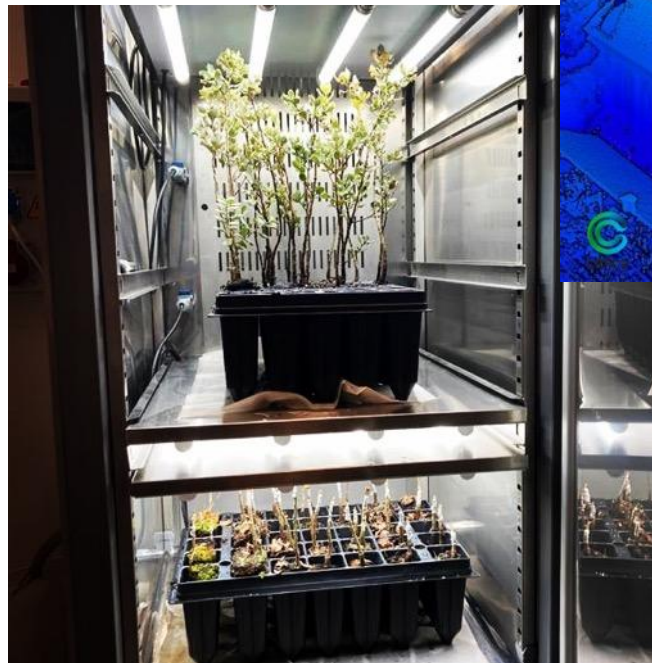


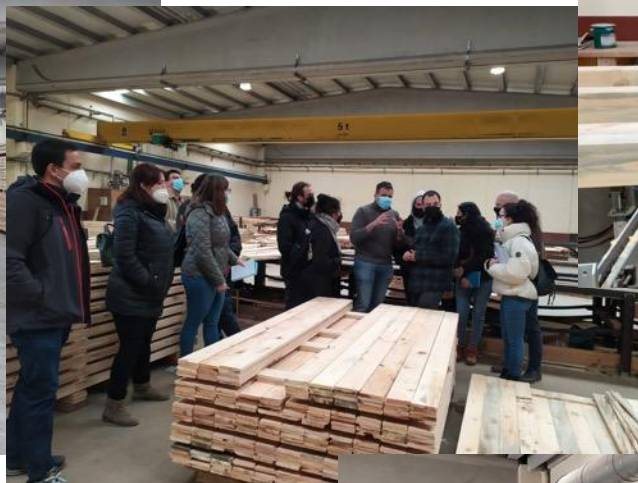














UFIL 1º cohort



Fibercor



most



Byota



GEFOREST



UFIL 2º cohort



de Cardenete
PRODUCTOS ARTESANOS



modus
habitare



UFIL 3º cohort



UFIL 4º cohort



UFIL 5ª cohort



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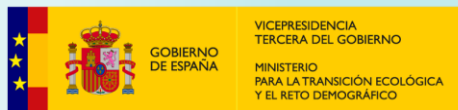
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