Transparency: Increasing smallholder benefits from increased wood trade. Gaps in supply chain analysis

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What is influencing global wood demand?

- Population: More people = More wood
- Economic growth: Rich people use more wood
- Demographic Changes: City people use wood differently to rural people
- Technological change: Modern industries can use new wood supplies
- Environmental issues: Recycling, carbon issues

Consider

- Harvesting and Haulage constitute ~70% log costs delivered to the mill gate
- Gathering Critical Mass what is an "economic" package of wood?
- Informal and Formal imposts between stump and mill act as a disincentive to smallholders
- Grower empowerment begins with transparency – who pays what along the chain.

Examples: Teak in northern Lao PDR



Luang Prabang (2006): Standing teak tree 25cm dbh, Price to grower: ~ US\$68/m³

Price for tree as squared logs at Nong Khai: **US\$368/m**³

What is the make up of the **US\$300?**

Harvesting

Haulage

Sawing

Transport

Taxes

Informal imposts



Examples: Teak in SE Sulawesi

Near Kendari (2007): Price to grower for squared logs, farm gate (certified) = ~ US\$165/m³

Price for squared logs, FOB Kendari: **US\$585/m**³

What is the make up of the **US\$400?**

Harvesting

Haulage

Sawing

Transport

Loading onto ship

Taxes

Informal imposts



Taxes and Imposts

 Guangxi China (2003) Small eucalypt logs: Mill gate price US\$45/m³. 30 taxes/imposts totalling US\$23/m³ + ~40% sales.

NOW CHANGED

 Teak Indonesia (Kendari to Java 2006): 14 taxes/imposts totalling US\$43

Squared logs (farm gate)
 US\$135

Operational Costs (incl transport) US\$137 (US\$43)

Administrative Costs
 US\$36

Sale Price (Java) US\$399

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Components for existing Supply Chain Analyses

Plantation logs – teak as an example

Certification

Growing Teak

Processing Teak

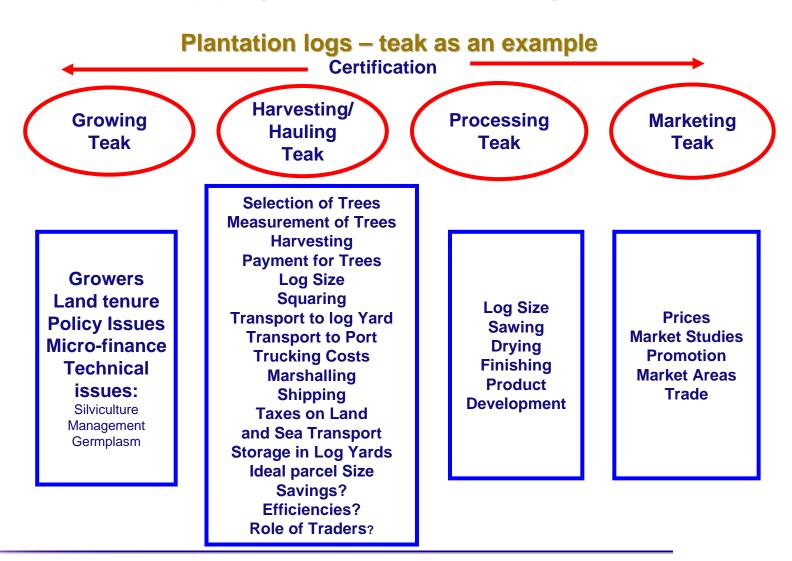
Marketing Teak

Growers
Land tenure
Policy Issues
Micro-finance
Technical issues:

Silviculture Management Germplasm Log Size
Sawing
Drying
Finishing
Product
Development

Prices
Market Studies
Promotion
Market Areas
Trade

Suggested Components for Modified Supply Chain Analyses



What are the Cost Norms?

- Cost of harvesting and delivery to roadside
- Road freight rates per tonne km (100 150km)
 - India: Typically US\$0.05 0.06/tonne/km
 - Thailand: US\$0.07 0.10/tonne/km
 - Australia: US\$0.08 0.17/tonne/km
- Shipping.

Notional costs breakdown in international trade: ex Australia

For radiata pulp logs @ CNF China price of ~US\$112/m³.

Stumpage 3.50/tonne

Harvesting and Transport 36.50/tonne

Marshalling 18.50/m³

Shipping 55/m³

For Tasmanian *Eucalyptus* logs for veneer CNF Shanghai @~US\$160/ m³.

Stumpage 38/tonne

Harvesting and Transport 42/tonne

Marshalling 16.50/m³

Shipping (Container) 48/m³

Can Transparency Lower Costs?

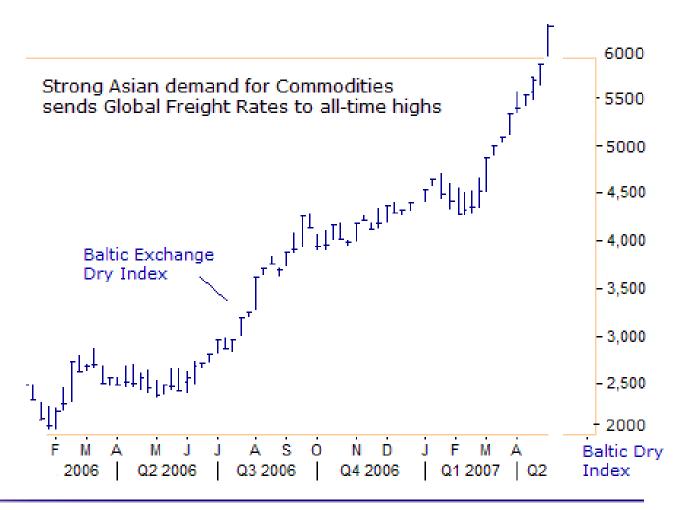
Shipping Costs? Market rates Australia – China

~US\$65 - 70/m³



Geography will Win!!

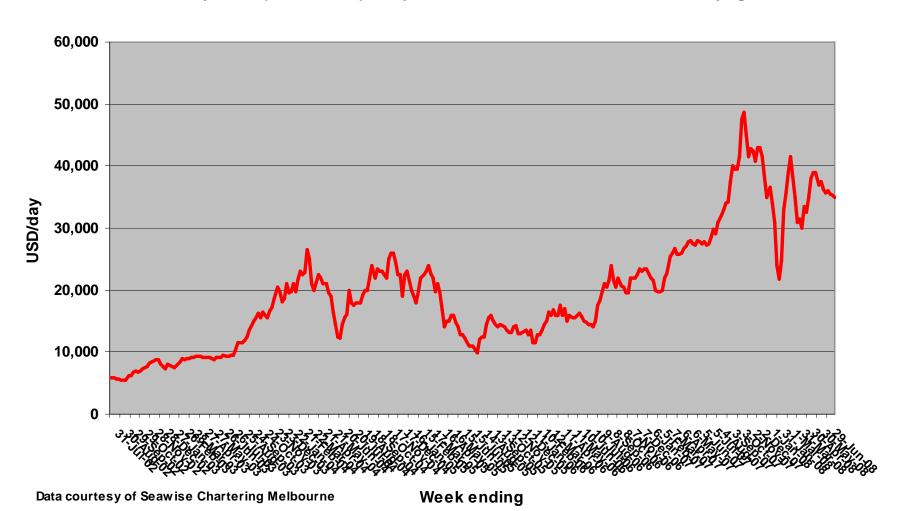
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Shipping Costs:

2002 - 2008

Handy size (27,000 dwt) Daily Hire Rates Trans Pacific Round Voyage



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The World Needs Wood

- and China more so!

China between 2007 - 1012:

Log imports to decline by 13M m³ (Russian tariffs) BUT,

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