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### Cascading of woody biomass: definitions, policies and effects on international trade

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#### Presentation Summary:

Cascade use or “cascading” of woody biomass is increasingly being discussed as a key principle upon which to base efficient utilization of wood, especially in the European Union (EU). Cascading does not have one universal definition, although a common theme is that “material use of wood should be prioritized over energy use of wood”, which forms the basis for our analysis herein. IEA Bioenergy Task 40 recently published a working paper on the topic. This webinar aims to inform the debate on cascading through an analysis of the terminology around cascading, and a review of how the concept is framed and implemented in policies of the EU and selected member states. It also discussed potential implications on international bioenergy markets from implementation of the cascading principle.

Link to the report: <http://www.bioenergytrade.org/downloads/t40-cascading-2016.pdf>

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