Forestry Investment in Australia and New Zealand

The Guide provides a first ever wrap up of forestry investment in Australia and New Zealand and is a comprehensive review of companies and investment opportunities, and risks, posed by the growing plantation forestry sector.

The focus of the guide is on those companies providing investment opportunities in forestry. Included are some of the major multinational companies listed on share markets and the direct investment forest group, both listed and unlisted. The guide reviews the management structures of the main companies. Their forest resources are outlined along with forest management practices and wood production. Although some of the companies are direct forest investment vehicles, some are also developing processing capabilities and these are reviewed. The financial performance of the companies are reported. We weigh up the investment risks and opportunities in the sector.

Why Buy This Guide?

Australian and New Zealand have seen an upsurge in plantation expansion over the past decade. Firstly, as New Zealand attracted new investment and, secondly, as Australia moved to expanded planting to replace natural forest production, the investment opportunities in each country have grown.

The guide has been produced to provide potential investors, analysts and researchers a single document that brings together the background, information and data necessary to better understanding the growing investment forestry sector.

As highlighted in the above quote, the trend towards plantation forestry is going to continue, as are the investment vehicles, be they direct through such entities as partnerships or indirect, through share market offerings.

"The tens of millions of hectares of plantation forests in the world today reflect the fact that various economic agents...have invested in forest plantations expecting future benefits. Some of these investments have failed, but it is fair to say that most have been successful, as evidenced by the continued expansion of forest plantation activities, which exceeded 4 million hectares per year worldwide in the mid 1990s."

Juan Sève, ITTO Tropical Forest Update, October 2001.
International Tropical Timber Organisation.

Investors and their advisors need to be well-informed on the companies and the investment opportunities and risk. The aim of the guide is to add to the balance of information available to both sides of the investment equation - investors and foresters, in making decisions on investments that can last for decades.

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