

Let Just Forests resources enhance your school's 'education for sustainable development' (ESD) and Green Flag program.



About Us

Just Forests was founded by a self-employed furniture-maker in 1989 in response to Ireland's importation of tropical timber. It is a 'company limited by guarantee with no share capital' and a registered Irish Charity. The charity is governed by a voluntary board of directors who meet quarterly. Just Forests employs one full-time (coordinator) and one part-time (bookkeeper). We receive funding from a number of Government Departments and some Irish Overseas Development Organisations. We take a 'human values' approach to forest management and responsible timber sourcing through *development education (DE)* and *strategically targeted advocacy*. All our education resources are self-financing.

Just Forests

- ★ we are in collaboration with the Dr Edward de Bono Foundation on the re-visioning of an old West African, hands-on wooden block building game -the EdB Foundation will also endorse the game which has global possibilities and on-line application
- ★ as a UN Partner in the Decade of Biodiversity 2011-2020 our education/awareness resources are being showcased on their website "*for all the world to see*" according to the *UN Secretariat*.
- ★ partner in the EU Program Generation AWAKE (consumer education/awareness)
- ★ partner with GMIT Letterfrack -The Furniture College (development education (DE))
- ★ hosted the first '*Forest Certification and Timber Labeling*' Conference in Ireland in 1996
- ★ developed much needed education resources (for schools and the general public) to create awareness of the importance of natural resources through the lens of timber/forests
- ★ developed the first '*Good Wood Guide*' for Irish architects
- ★ a member of the UBUNTU Network-an alliance of all Universities in Ireland working on development education (DE) and the Regional Center of Excellence- RCE Ireland

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Four Initiatives for **Leadership** in your school

Timber

A copy of Just Forests **KNOW Your Wood Guide** for every architect, woodwork/construction studies teacher. The KYWG will also be available in all Book Stores nationwide for the DIY enthusiast.

This 86-page guide will educate and empower all timber specifiers/wood users to select FSC certified products



<http://www.justforests.org/just-livelihoods/what-you-can-do>

Communities

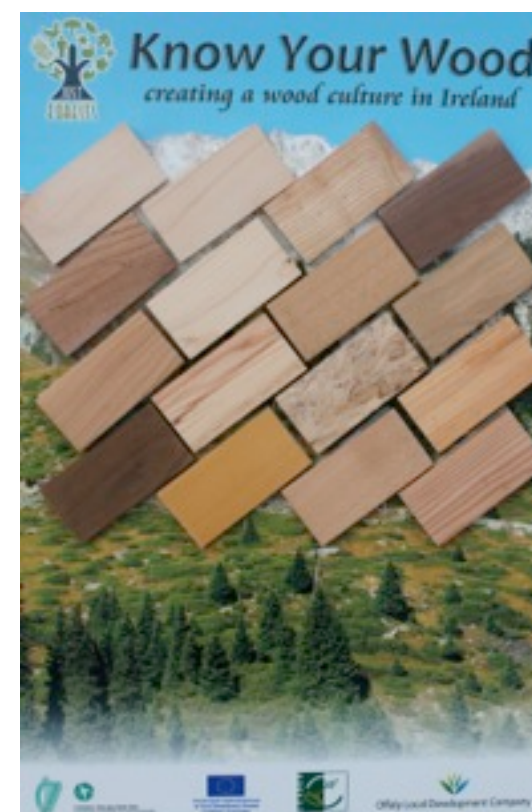
Just Forests very popular **Wood of Life Exhibition** will visit your school and provide workshops on wood/forest matters by means of activity sheets and follow-on classroom project sheets.

We also produce a hands-on wood identification board to compliment your students learning:

KNOW YOUR WOOD Board



<http://www.justforests.org/exhibitions>



<http://www.justforests.org/know-wood-board>

Schools

Just Forests **Thinking TREES Schools Resource**

will be available in September 2012. This resource consists of 10 activities that pupils will carry out in class.

There will also be an on-line interactive version where teachers and pupils can exchange lessons learned.



<http://www.justforests.org/thinking-trees>

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What is Development Education (DE)?

Development Education (DE) is concerned with the building of knowledge and understanding, skills and capacities, and attitudes and values necessary to enable individuals to critically examine the world, its development and its interdependencies and to act, both locally and globally, to make it a more just and equitable place.

What is Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)?

Education for sustainable development (ESD) is a "dynamic concept that encompasses a new vision of education that seeks to empower people of all ages to assume responsibility for creating and enjoying a sustainable future. (Source: UNESCO, Education for Sustainability-from Rio to Johannesburg: Lessons learnt from a Decade of Commitment, 2002)

"ESD seeks to foster the values, behaviour and lifestyles for social and environmental change. In principle, DE and ESD should empower people to take action on the issue being explored." (Regan, 1999).

What is The UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development 2005-2014?

The United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005-2014), for which UNESCO is the lead agency, seeks to integrate the principles, values, and practices of sustainable development into all aspects of education and learning, in order to address the social, economic, cultural and environmental problems we face in the 21st century.

What our partners in education say

<http://www.justforests.org/what-they-say-about-us>

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Brussels, 30 March 2012 "Our choice is whether to become resource efficient now, or wait until we are forced because critical resources are exhausted and expensive." OECD Ministerial Meeting of the Environment Policy Committee



Price List

1. Wood of Life Exhibition: Setup exhibition for one day including 3 workshops = €250
Setup for two days including 6 workshops = €400

2. Thinking TREES: €25 per copy

3. Know Your Wood Guide: €25 per copy

4. Know Your Wood Board: €125 per board

Special offer - a) Wood of Life exhibition for one day PLUS all other resources €400
b) Wood of Life exhibition for two days PLUS all other resources €550

PLUS you get FREE access to our on-line interactive resources for 3 months when you take the special offer.