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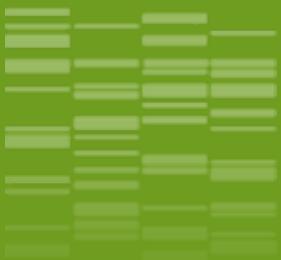
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« Sustainable intensification of planted forests : how far can we go ? »

Objectives of the talk

- ❖ Background (trends & perspectives) :
 - ❖ world population & développement → demand of wood-products
 - ❖ forests : provide an increasing range of product/services, under stronger constraints, pressure by other land-uses (re-emerging)
 - ❖ bring an integrated response to climate change : adaptation, mitigation, regulation of ecosystem services, planning
 - ❖ need to redesign production/management systems
 - ❖ imitation of nature (Lorentz & Parade, 1837) → « *close-to-nature forestry* »
- ❖ 3 focus about nature/silviculture/intensification/ecology :
 - ➡ adaptive potential of close-to-nature forestry
 - ➡ options for diversification & planning
 - ➡ ecological intensification as **more efficient use of cycles**

Bioeconomy : consider wood in the *big picture*, supply new usages/production chains

Bio-based Economy: feedstocks, processes and products (without food & feed)

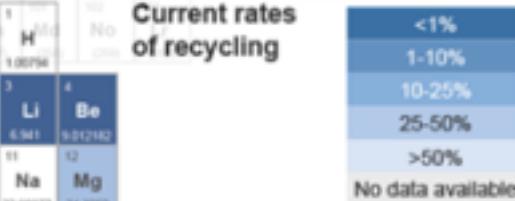


<http://reports.weforum.org/toward-the-circular-economy-accelerating-the-scale-up-across-global-supply-chains/mounting-pressure-on-resources/>

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From linear to circular economy: complexity management and modelling

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5/11/2014

http://www.mosim2014.org/sites/mosim2014.org/files/pdf/Pleniere_D.Luzeaux.pdf

« Grey » renewables energies (wind, PV) consume lots of rare elements : unsustainable !

« la **dépendance des éoliennes au néodyme et au dysprosium**, deux métaux de la famille des terres rares qui constituent les aimants permanents actuellement nécessaires pour l'alternateur, illustrent bien cette question sensible des ressources minérales :

un déficit en dysprosium est prévisible à partir de 2020 compte tenu de l'augmentation de la demande actuelle.

Autre exemple avec des technologies **photovoltaïques** très prometteuses comme le CIGS (cuivre, indium, gallium, sélénium) qui sont confrontées aux mêmes enjeux :

on estime à 20 ans seulement le ratio « réserves sur production de l'indium »

Isabelle Blanc, 21 oct 2015, ParisTech Review.

Comment calculer l'impact environnemental des énergies renouvelables ?

http://www.paristechreview.com/2015/10/21/impact-environnemental-renouvelables/?utm_campaign=NL%2052%20-%20112015%20-%20Global%20EN&utm_medium=email_eCircle&utm_source=Global%20FR

Circular economy – an industrial system that is restorative and regenerative by design

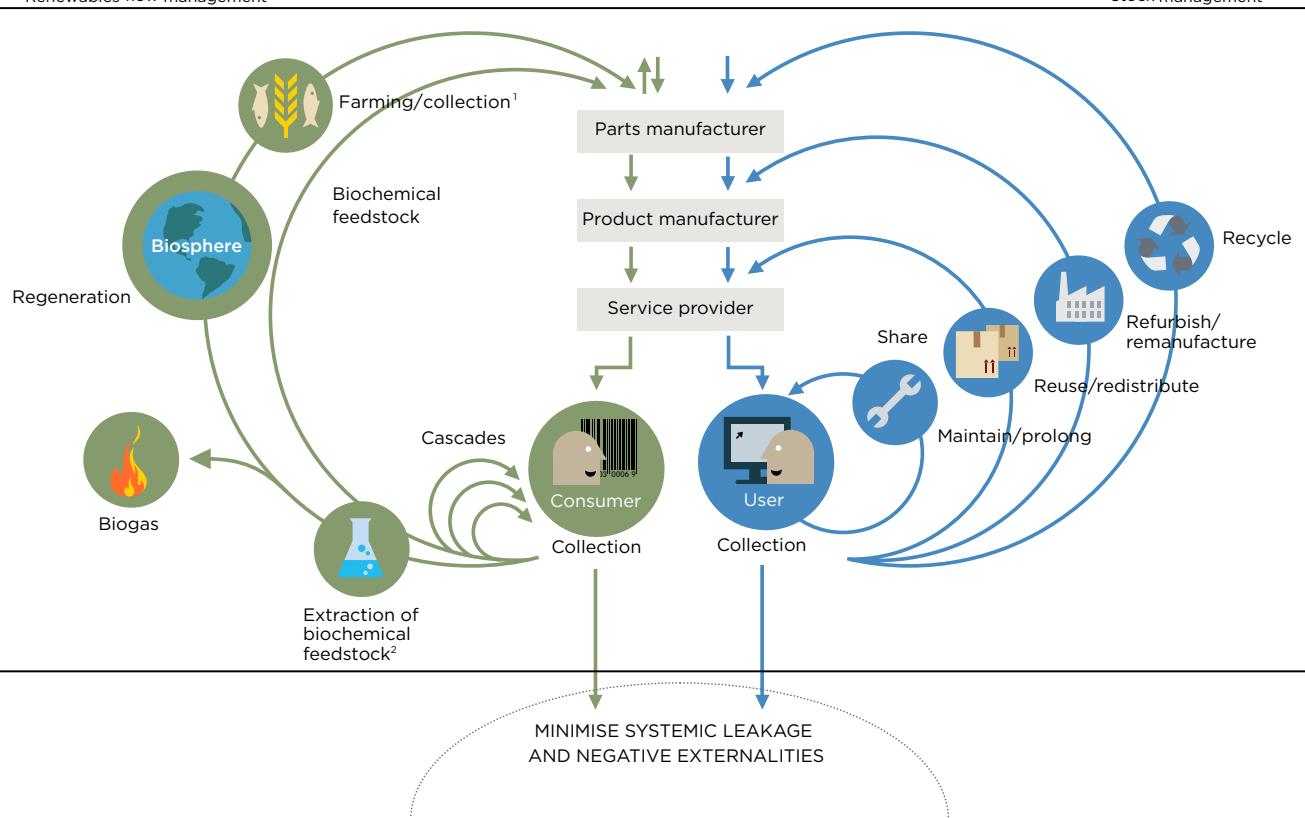
PRINCIPLE 1

Preserve and enhance natural capital by controlling finite stocks and balancing renewable resource flows
ReSOLVE levers: regenerate, virtualise, exchange



PRINCIPLE 2

Optimise resource yields by circulating products, components and materials in use at the highest utility at all times in both technical and biological cycles
ReSOLVE levers: regenerate, share, optimise, loop



PRINCIPLE 3

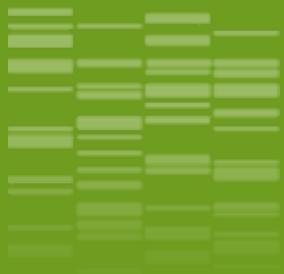
Foster system effectiveness by revealing and designing out negative externalities
All ReSOLVE levers

1 Hunting and fishing

2 Can take both post-harvest and post-consumer waste as an input

SOURCE: Ellen MacArthur Foundation, SUN and McKinsey Center for Business and Environment, *Growth Within: A Circular Economy Vision for a Competitive Europe* (2015).

Drawing from Braungart & McDonough, Cradle to Cradle (C2C).



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« Close-to-nature » forestry : is it efficient as an adaptive strategy ? what does it mean (ref Anthropocene) ?

Extreme events such as storms, droughts, flooding, and heat waves are probably the most important threats in Temperate Oceanic regions [...]

2010

natural mechanisms of **inherent adaptive capacity** are diverse and **will support adaptation** of forests to climate change. However, **natural processes alone are too slow to cope with** the projected rates of environmental change [...]

from European biogeography it can be inferred that **adaptive capacity is smallest at the rear edge** of the forest biome, where only short-term adaptation and plasticity are able to counteract the threat of extirpation of forest species under less suitable climate conditions. There are **considerable differences in socio-economic adaptive capacity** within Europe and it is worrying that this is smallest in the Mediterranean region where the largest potential impacts are expected

Lindner, M., M. Maroschek, S. Netherer, A. Kremer, A. Barbati, J. Garcia-Gonzalo, R. Seidl, et al., 2010. «Climate change impacts, adaptive capacity, and vulnerability of European forest ecosystems ». *Forest Ecology and Management* 259(4): 698–709

2014

Review

[Journal of Environmental Management 146 \(2014\) 69–83](#)

Climate change and European forests: What do we know, what are the uncertainties, and what are the implications for forest management?

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Adapting forests to extreme storm events is - outside Great Britain and Ireland with already existing particular storm adapted management strategies - **an exception**, and **requires measures** such as limiting tree height **that are unpopular** and **against the dominating “close-to-nature” forestry** with long rotation periods in Central Europe

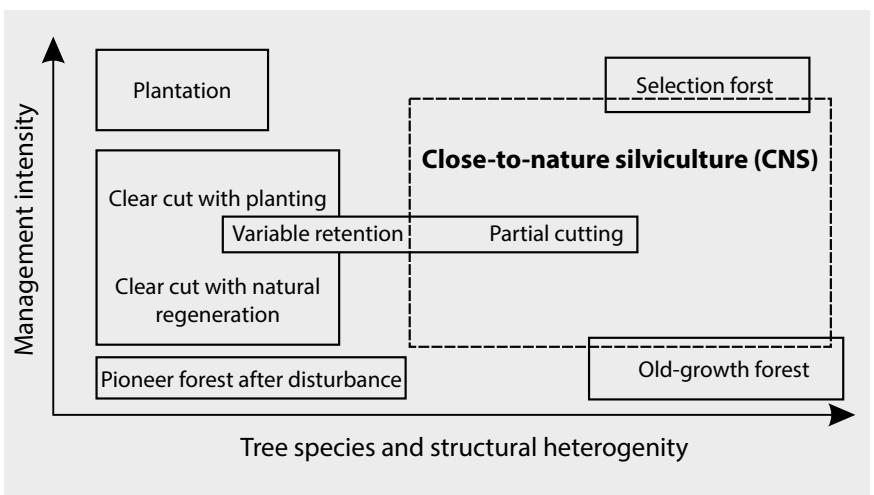


Figure 1

Classification of CNS according to management intensity as well as tree species and structural diversity. Adapted after Puettmann et al. (2009).

« the restrictions of CNS for the use of natural regeneration and ‘low impact’ interventions and the focus of CNS systems on mid- and late-successional tree species limit the options for human-induced assistance of adaptation, e. g. by introducing non-native or specific drought-resistant tree species and provenances »

Is Close-to-Nature Silviculture (CNS) an adequate concept to adapt forests to climate change?

Landbauforsch · Appl Agric Forestry Res · 2015 · online first · 1-10

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Utiliser des processus naturels pour guider les écosystèmes avec le moins possible d'apports en énergie (coûts) :

- promotion d'espèces naturelles et/ou adaptées à la station (non-natives acceptées en mélange avec des natives)
- forêts mélangées et structurées
- éviter les coupes rases autant que possible
- promotion de la régénération naturelle
- sylviculture d'arbres individuels
- intégration des services écosystémiques (eau, récréation...) à grain fin

Pommerening & Murphy (2004), Johann (2006), Spathelf (1997)



Suitability of close-to-nature silviculture for adapting temperate European forests to climate change

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6 strategic principles (to increase adaptive capacities) :

- 1 Increase tree species richness (at the stand scale)
- 2 Increase structural diversity
- 3 Maintain and increase genetic variation within tree species
- 4 Increase resistance of individual trees to biotic and abiotic stress
- 5 Replace high-risk stands
- 6 Keep average growing stocks low

3 types of close-to-nature silviculture (CNS)

- 1 Single-tree selection, which also includes 'continuous forest'
- 2 Group selection
- 3 Shelterwood

Single-tree selection has limitations :

- very small gaps favour few shade-tolerant species, exacerbated if no tending
- enrichment planting often not used (browsing damage constraint)
- rarely uses non-native species with high adaptive capacity (Douglas fir)
- variant « target diameter harvesting » may decrease genetic variation (trees with higher heterozygosity)

The **uniform shelterwood system** :

- has the lowest structural diversity in the long term
- but is more suitable for increasing tree species richness in the next forest generation, by facilitating the introduction of new species or provenances with enrichment planting

Shortcomings of CNS : 'species richness', 'genetic variation', 'replace high-risk stands'

- employ a **larger variation in regeneration methods**
- integrate light-demanding tree species, **non-native species** and **non-local provenances**
- **apply different CNS types at the landscape level**
- overcome **restrictions** aimed at **conserving** genetic diversity of **local populations**

What is close-to-nature silviculture in a changing world?

Kevin L. O'Hara*

The **silviculture of the future** will be **highly varied** and highly **flexible**, [...] recognize the importance of adaptive or 'artificial' treatments such as tree **planting**, planting **non-native species**, **moving species beyond** their native range or **developing even-aged forests**. These are treatments that will **help forestry maintain productive** forest landscapes in a period of changing climate, conversion of forest land to other uses and expanding problems with invasive plants, insects and pathogens.

If the purpose of a close-to-nature forestry is to **persuade a doubtful public** that our intentions are good and our actions are sound, then **why risk alienation by using terms that are misleading**? Why promote a suite of treatments that are artificially limited by **a selective interpretation of ecology** and truly unnatural? [...]

Whereas our understanding of natural processes and stand dynamics has advanced, **rebranding forestry** with new labels that use the words 'nature', or 'balance', or 'holistic' **is really just advertising** or a form of 'buzzword creep' (e.g. Park 2011). **If existing scientific information is ignored** to pursue management strategies based on **tradition, beliefs or old science**, the label of close-to-nature is simply **misadvertising**

Silviculture in an uncertain world: utilizing multi-aged management systems to integrate disturbance[†]

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Anthropocene : the distinction natural/artificial becomes less & less straightforward

« La caractéristique principale du naturalisme est son dualisme : s'il a permis, en objectivant la nature, d'en développer la connaissance scientifique, il est aussi ce qui permet d'opposer l'homme et la nature, alors même que **la distinction entre le naturel et l'artificiel, entre histoire humaine et histoire naturelle, est de plus en plus difficile à faire** »

Catherine Larrère, 2015. Pour une nouvelle approche de l'idée de « nature ». In « Guide des humanités environnementales » (éd. Aurélie Choné, Isabelle Hajek et Philippe Hamman), Presses universitaires du Septentrion

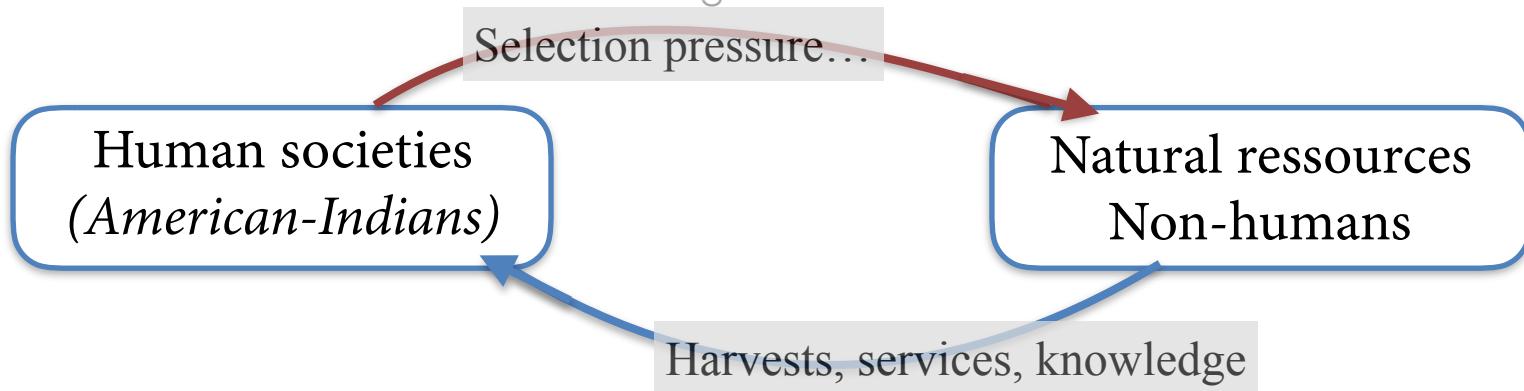
« Nous ne saurions penser et changer la société par les seules sciences. [...] En revanche, elles ne peuvent plus être tenues à l'écart de nos décisions politiques. [...] En ce seul sens, la nature entre résolument en politique.

Et **les sciences de la nature constituent dès lors les organes sensoriels de la politique** »

Dominique Bourg, 2 janv. 2016. Les sciences naturelles sont-elles révolutionnaires ?
<http://sciences-critiques.fr/les-sciences-naturelles-sont-elles-revolutionnaires/>

Philippe Descola : adaptation, co-evolution & Anthropocene

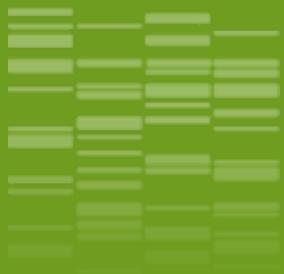
les humains participent évidemment de façon active à la production même des facteurs environnementaux qui affectent leur existence et, dans la très grande majorité des cas, sans en être conscients et dans la très longue durée



Avec l'**Anthropocène**, [...]

ce qui s'était opéré de façon non intentionnelle, dans l'essentiel des cas,
et sur une échelle de temps pluri-millénaire, nous apparaît soudain [...]
comme **réclamant une action volontariste à mener dans des délais très courts**

notre destinée ne se résume pas à un **face-à-face**, plus ou moins hostile ou plus ou moins bienveillant,
entre l'homme et la nature, ainsi que la tradition naturaliste nous avait portés à le croire, mais que cette
destinée est entièrement dépendante des **milliards d'interactions et de rétroactions** par lesquelles **nous**
engendrons, au quotidien, les **conditions environnementales nous permettant d'habiter** la Terre



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Adaptation & mitigation : paths for diversification under uncertainty, looking for performance and flexibility

Plant reproduction material produced in seed-orchards may bring a better mixing of initial genetic diversity



Diversité allélique

Mode de régénération	Nb allèles SPAC 7.14	Nb allèles SPAC 12.5	déficit en hétérozygotes
Régénération naturelle (après tempête)	19 + 5	12 + 3	0,282
Verger à graines	27	18	0,074

**PSY-VG-003- Haguenau
4,3 ha**

**191 « arbres + » sélectionnés dans les parcelles autochtones Haguenau
5 à 17 copies par géniteur
Répartition aléatoire**

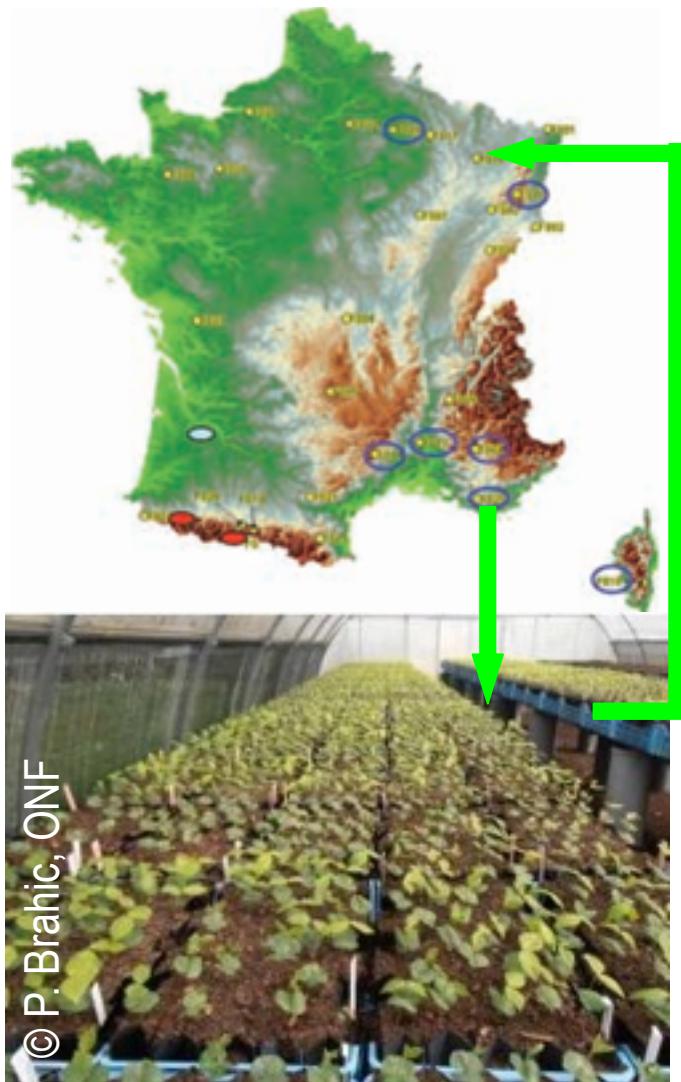
Diversité plus élevée en verger à graines

Réduction de l'apparentement dans le matériel collecté en verger à graines

Pas d'organisation spatiale de la diversité en plantation

Source : Catherine Bastien

Change genetic resources : moving populations polewards



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Projet GONO

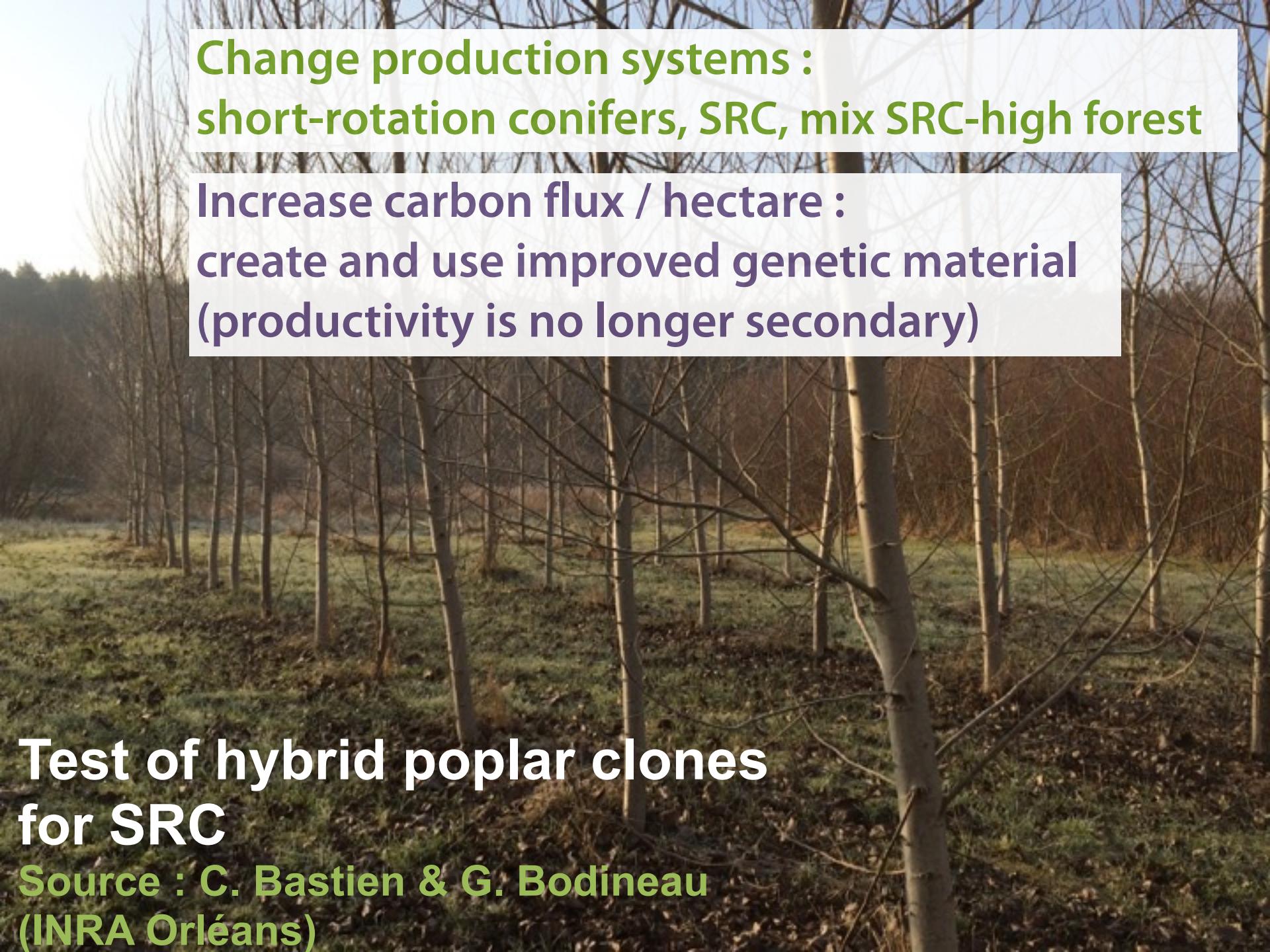
- **Vulnerability of populations at southernmost margin of distribution areas**
 - monitoring/identification of vulnerabilities
 - safeguarding in nurseries
 - planting on +northern locations
- **Applications :**
 - conservation of genetic resources
 - **strengthen local adaptation of autochthonous species**

Source : Brigitte Musch, Hervé Le Bouler, Olivier Forestier, Patrice Brahic, Myriam Legay (ONF)

Change genetic resources : introducing thermophilous species

Performance of Eucalypts
under strong drought constraint

(arboretum d'élimination de Caneiret, Estérel)



**Change production systems :
short-rotation conifers, SRC, mix SRC-high forest**

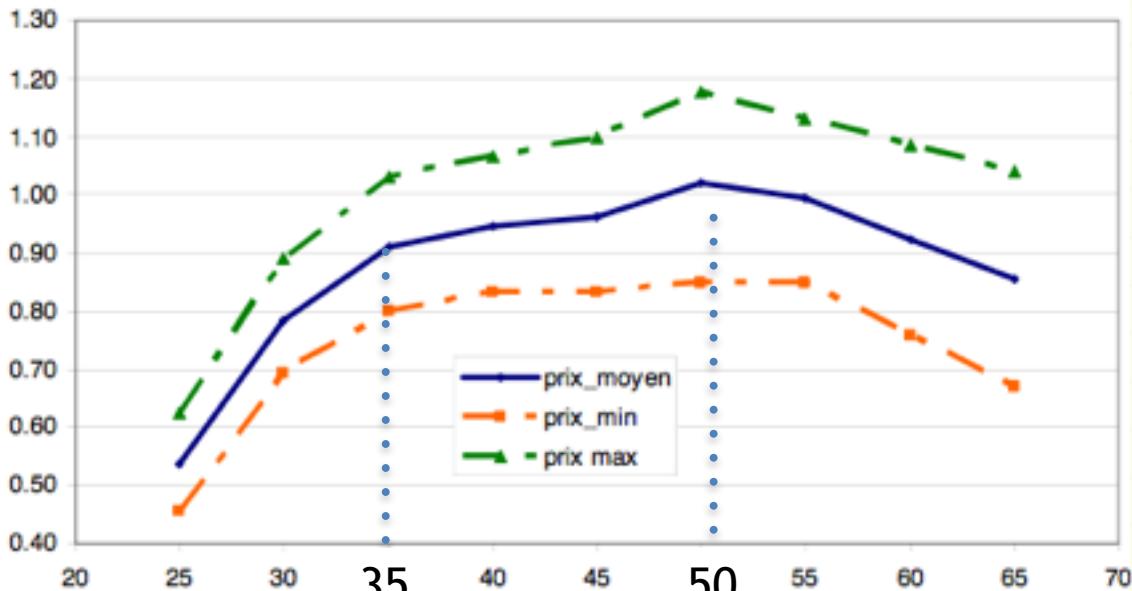
**Increase carbon flux / hectare :
create and use improved genetic material
(productivity is no longer secondary)**

**Test of hybrid poplar clones
for SRC**

**Source : C. Bastien & G. Bodineau
(INRA Orléans)**

Example of forest-industries co-adaptation : shortened rotations in conifers

Selling price/m³ (relative units)



Fir-Spruce - Vosges
mean (sept. 2009-sept. 2010)

Source : ONF
(Gamblin, 21/3/2011)

Max
90%
of Max

Opportunity of shorter rotations :

- ▶ *reduce abiotic risks*
- ▶ *supply closer to industrial demand*
- ▶ *increase fluxes and flexibility*

Need more management planning & integrated multi-scale management

Poplar (high forest)
SRC Poplar
Mix (HF-SRC)

Fast-growing conifers :
Douglas fir, hybrid larch

Multi-purpose,
« mainstream »
management

National parks,
natural reserves,
recreation areas

Specialization
products

Improve resilience
through :

Very short
cycle

Standard
rotation

Assisted
migration

Plant other
Oak spec.

Plant exotic
spec.

...genetic
res. mgt

...prevent
abiotic
damages

Land use planning, forest policy : specialize functions in space,
e.g. « Triad » (USA, UK)

Natural regeneration

Example : diversify regeneration options in Oak management

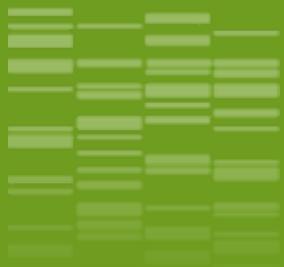
Very short
cycle

Standard
rotation

Delayed
harvesting

Natural
reserve

Example : diversify rotation ages in Beech management



« La bioéconomie suppose une anthropisation réussie de la biosphère »
(Michel Griffon, 5 mai 2015, restitution prospective UE SCAR-4)

≈ « Bioeconomy needs a successful *anthropisation of biosphere* »

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Ecological intensification : coupled cycles of matter/energy/information, acknowledged effort to transform (manage, learn by monitoring and science, improve)

Bioeconomy : circular processes/flows



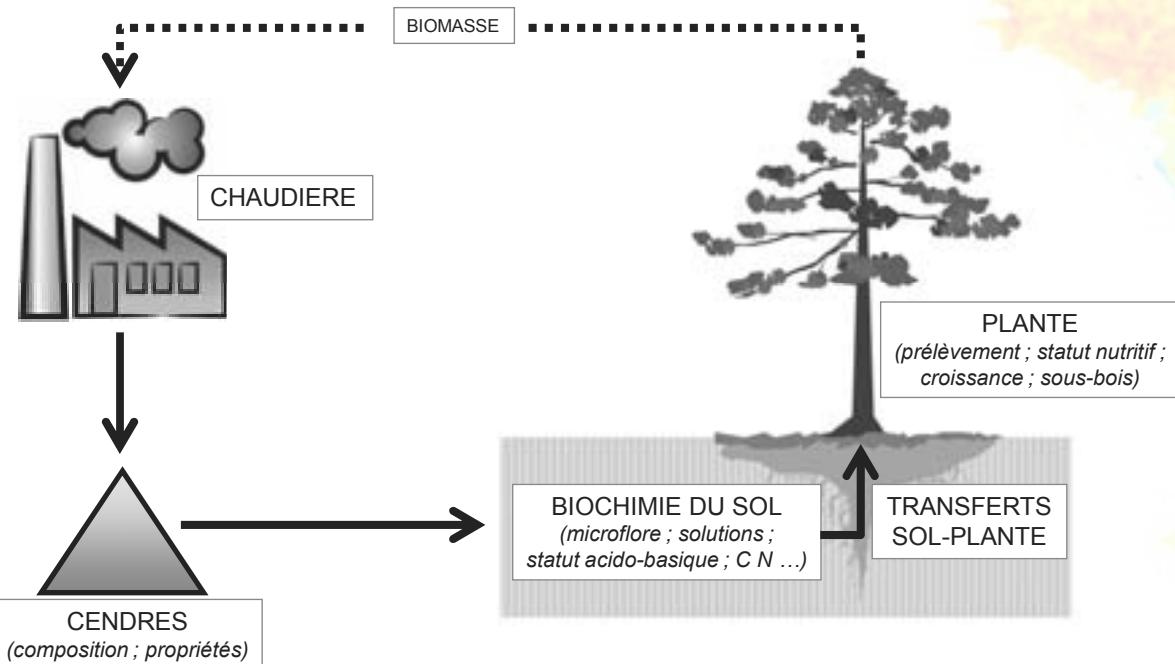
LE PROJET FORÊT-BOIS pour la France

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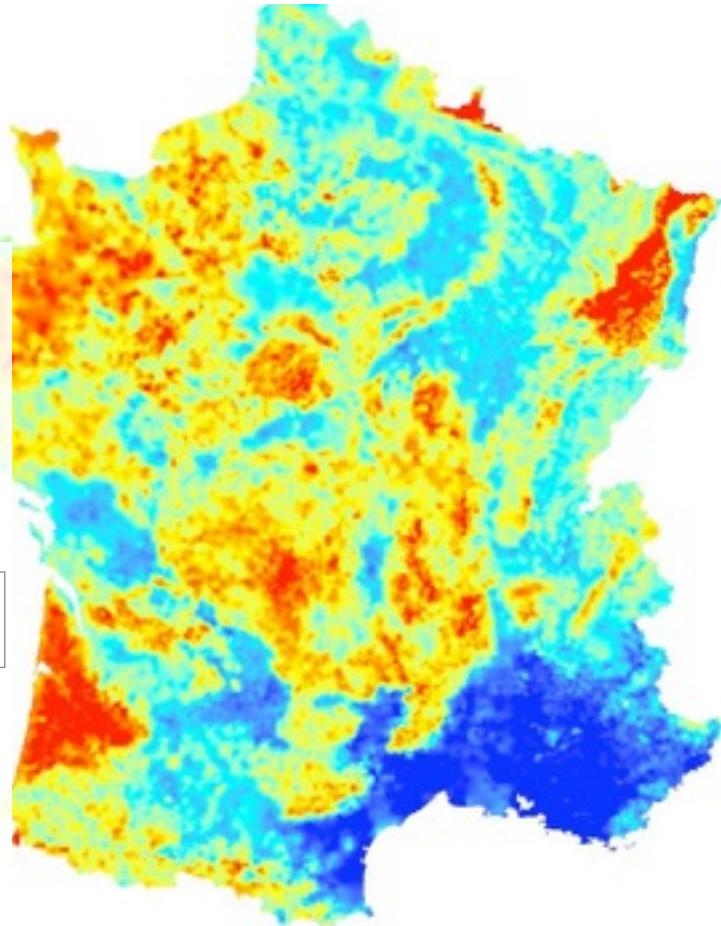


Recycle exported nutrients back to forests, possible strategies of flux limestones → acid soils

*Restitution or recycling
of firewood ashes*

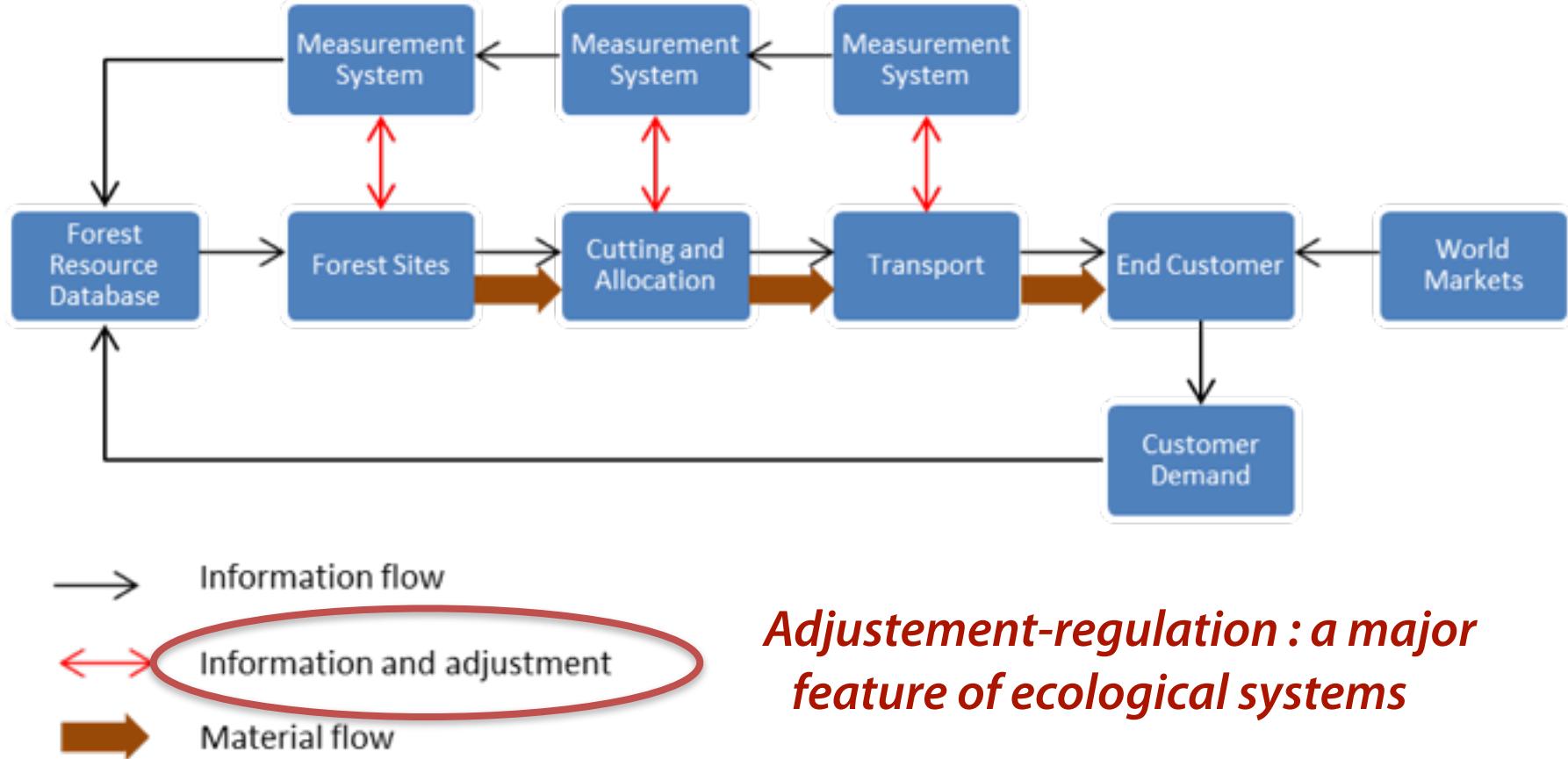


Source : Augusto et al. (2014) - *Les intrants sont-ils nécessaires pour développer durablement la fonction de production ?*



Carte de France du pH des sols forestiers,
échelle 1km, ©IFN, LERFoB

Integrated forest logistics : make a better use of information linked to production process



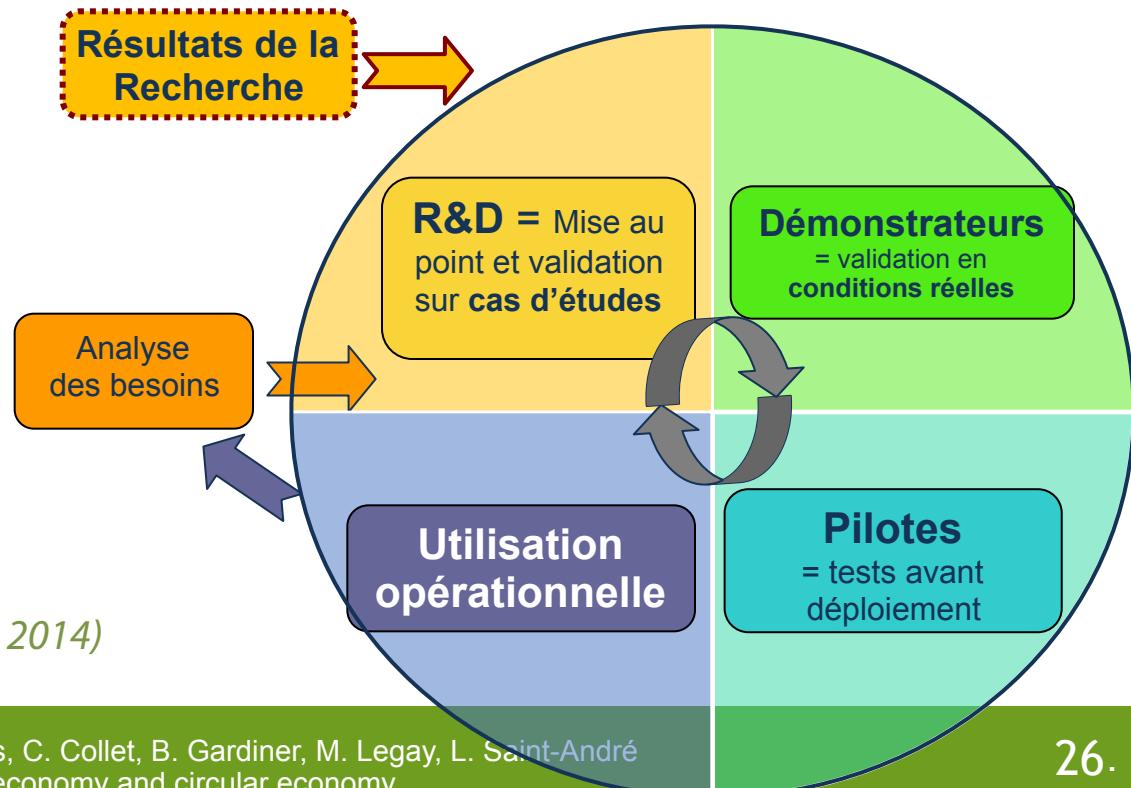
Adjustement-regulation : a major feature of ecological systems

Source : Barry Gardiner (25/1/2015)

Innovation through learning loops

❖ Make a step-forward beyond linear technology-transfer of platform CAPSIS :

- Transfer methods, not only knowledge - case of remote sensing
- Check robustness
- Validate in industrial context
- Handbooks, tools...



Source : ONF (Anne Jolly & Myriam Legay, 2014)



Conclusions

- ❖ Transition of sustainable management & climate challenges :
 - ❖ detect/analyze damages, anticipate large-scale **crises**
 - ❖ **use** existing forests (**more !**) and **plant**
 - ❖ reduce transaction costs (integration, **contracts**)
 - ❖ optimize the world's **use** of fibres and energy
 - ❖ forest soils : **+ targeted & + efficient use**
- ❖ Which questions arises ecological intensification ?
 - ❖ cycles embed ecosystems-human artifacts : **precaution**
 - ❖ **manage together** climate risks & impacts of practices
 - ❖ **information & planning** : monitor, control, correct, diversify, make explicit arbitrages ; optimization and viability
 - ❖ **combine** ecological/social/organisational **resiliences** (multi-scale)



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