

The Technological University of Pereira in Colombia works to improve both sustainable production and consumption of Guadua Bamboo

The <u>Technological University of Pereira</u> in Colombia is carrying out important activities oriented to the optimitization of natural resources and skills of technicians and workers operating in these fields in the country. In particular, through its *Cleaner Production Regional Centre called Eje Cafetero*, it offers a wide range of academic seminars, international diplomas, courses and conferences on: drying processes and Guadua bamboo constructions; Environmental Management Systems, Hazardous Waste Management and Energy Management. The University, after having organized a postgraduate course on sustainable production and consumption of Guadua bamboo, which ended in February 2011, is now planning another specialized course on this same topic, titled: "Guadua bamboo Constructions and the importance of proper bamboo and wood drying".

The website of the *Cleaner Production Regional Centre Eje Cafetero* shows numerous documents and research results for the exploitation of Guadua bamboo and other natural resources that could be of interest to other countries.

For further information about the Centre and its activities

Cleaner Production Regional Centre

Production systems and drying of Guadua bamboo articles