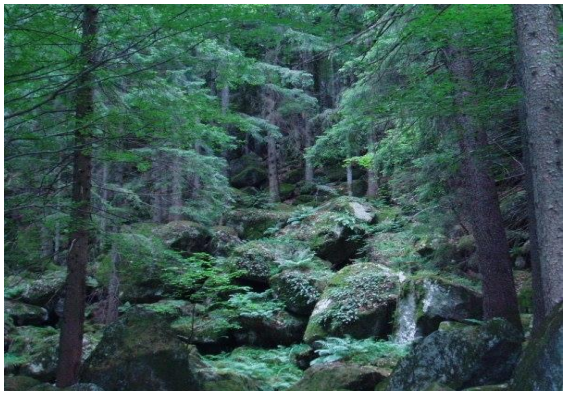
THE STATE OF THE GLOBAL PAPER INDUSTRY - 2018 REPORT PUBLISHED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PAPER NETWORK

In 2018 the Environmental Paper Network published the important Report *The State of the Global Paper Industry 2018: New Challenges and Opportunities for Forests, People and the Climate*.

The Environmental Paper Network (EPN) is a world-wide network of over 140 civil society organizations working together towards a Global Paper Vision.

The vision is based on data highlighted in the documentation produced by the Network, indicating that…*paper industry is one of the most polluting and resource intensive industries in the world. It is responsible for over a third of worldwide timber harvest and must evolve in order to employ the best available technologies and new innovations to clean up its act. The sector is not only the largest consumer of energy, but the process of paper uses more water to produce one ton of product than perhaps any other industry. The industry has substantial climate change impacts, from its raw material sourcing in forests, through production, to the end of life of its products, so the opportunities for reducing greenhouse gas emissions through better land management and fibre choices need to be urgently seized.*



The Environmental Paper Network works to involve the global paper industry, consumers, retailers, governments, investors and non-governmental organizations to commit to urgent actions addressing the overall paper life-cycle: reduce global paper consumption and promote fair access to paper; maximize recycled fibre content; ensure social responsibility; source fibre responsibly; reduce greenhouse gas emissions; ensure clean production; ensure transparency and integrity.

The Global Paper Vision seeks the successful transition to pulp and paper industry as part of the solution to prevent climate change, being made of responsibly sourced fibres, using entirely low-carbon, renewable energy, with waterless and cleaner production, producing zero waste and zero emissions.

The *State of the Global Paper Industry 2018* Report published by the Environmental Paper Network provides a snapshot of how the world's pulp and paper industry is performing today, relative to each of the goals of the Global Paper Vision of the movement. It also looks to the future, and the social and environmental risks and opportunities

facing the global pulp and paper industry. Each chapter offers insights on key issues in the coming years.

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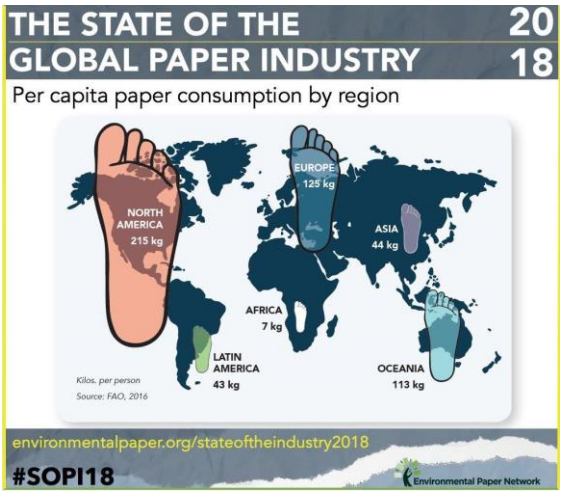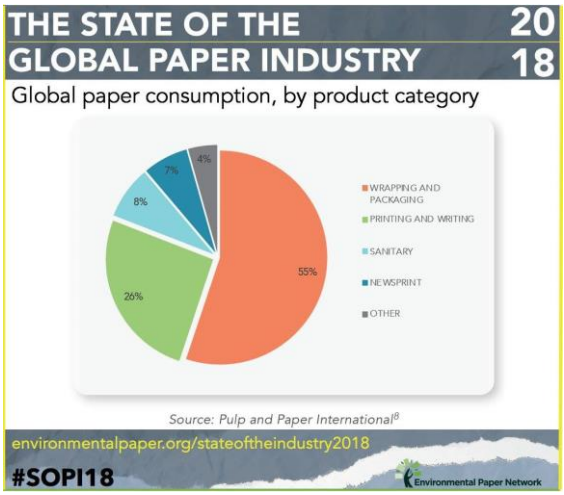
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