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Circular and Wood Construction in Hamburg

Introducing circular aspects in construction, both by avoiding unnecessary demolition and related waste and the usage of recycled and renewable materials.

When new constructions are inevitable, the use of sustainable material is preferred. Both renewable materials such as wood as a construction material and recycled material such as reinforced concrete are to be used for public construction projects and those projects publicly supported.

To support wood construction, the municipality of **Hamburg** has given a public subsidy of 80 cents per kilogram of wood for construction purposes, in addition with the adoption of new regulations allowing wood construction projects. The aim is to reduce construction waste and energy consumption of construction projects. These investments will exploit the potential in terms of climate protection, resource conservation, cost efficiency and city development.

Of course, financial, and human resources are needed for the project. Indeed, wood construction projects are becoming more frequent due to the increase of demand and, consequently, of supply (because of the fall in price) in the sector. Thus, both private and public sectors will benefit from the use of recycled and renewable materials, like wood.

