

Do you have ambitions for the economic development of woodlands?

From silviculture to processing wood-based
fuel – if you are a forestry business –
Woodland Renaissance could offer the
advice and funding you need
to bring your ideas to life.



Would you like to manage your woodland better, offer new services or wood markets? Maybe you want to set up or take courses in woodland management.

If you have an idea that improves the economic value of forests, you could be eligible for funding through the Rural Development Programme for England (RDPE) in South West England. This £157 million scheme supports Woodland Renaissance, which is available to provide information and advice on your proposal.

What's on offer?

Enhance your forestry business with in-forest activities and capital investments, such as:

- Access work for easier management of woods and some silvicultural operations
- Infrastructure for recreational and tourism activities



European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development: Europe investing in rural areas.

- Improving occupational safety
- Wood products such as timber or renewable energy, and
- Skills and training provided through organised courses.

Are you eligible?

You'll need to be a forest/woodland owner or manager, including estates, farms and local authorities. Contractors undertaking maintenance, access, planting and harvesting will also be eligible as will primary processors. Your funding proposal should cover at least one of the following:

- Innovation in products, processes or services
- Enhancing environmental protection, and
- Social sustainability, such as increasing the use of new technologies by employees.

What next?

For advice about your next step or to receive an application form and guidance brochure, contact the Silvanus Trust on **01752 846400** or email **info@silvanus.org.uk**

