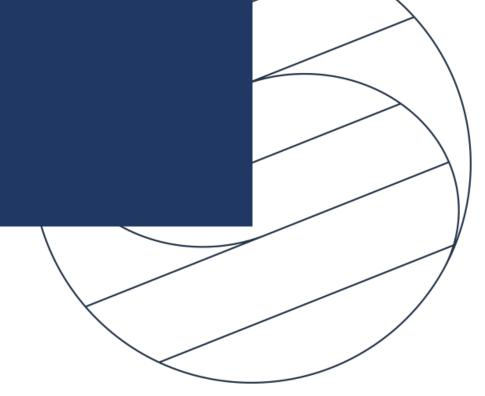
SILVADEC X ADEME

a key player in our ecological transition









CONTEXT

Wood composite Silvadec®

Our **Silvadec® wood composite** is a high-quality product with **superior properties**, the result of 20 years of industrial research and development. By manufacturing wood composite from **sustainably managed resources**, **sourced locally and responsibly**, the Silvadec group is **committed to prevent deforestation at both domestic and imported levels**.

A wood composite with unique properties:

- Origine France Garantie (OFG) certified
- Innovative: patented technology
- Rot-proof: resistant to termites and fungi
- **Durable**: impact-resistant design and 25-years guarantee
- PEFC certified (sustainable forest management)
- 60% recycled material
- 100% recyclable on our production site: we are able to recycle all our deck boards
- Easy to use: no chemical treatment required and slip-resistant





The industrial production system

We have designed our production system to have as low an environmental impact as possible: our products are manufactured by low-temperature extrusion and the water used to cool the system circulates in a closed circuit. It comes from a rainwater recovery tank installed on our main site.

Our efforts to implement a low-carbon energy management system have been rewarded with **ISO 50001** certification in July 2022. This certification comes on top of **ISO 14001** certification and validates the work undertaken by Silvadec's teams in identifying technical solutions to optimise our energy consumption.

In short, our ambition is to reduce our electricity consumption by 15% by 2023 and to manufacture a 100% recycled product by 2025.

ADEME A continuous support over the years

The Silvadec group has received essential support from ADEME in setting up an eco-responsible, low-carbon industrial facility.



UPPORT

Going round in a circle – that's our idea of progress!

ZOOM OVER THE YEARS

2003: the start of the industrial adventure, with already a sense of responsibility!!

Silvadec received its first grant following its launch in 2001, after having demonstrated its determination to set up an eco-responsible industrial facility. At the time, the co-founders already had the ambition of **incorporating wood and plastic of recycled origin** into the formulation of wood composite Silvadec®. And this was long before recycling became a fact of life: their approach was based on common sense.

2005: the first steps towards eco-design

This second grant was awarded to help Silvadec to **optimise its wood composite formulation** to make it more efficient from three points of view: **economic, technical and environmental**.

The grant was used to provide funding for a **Life Cycle Assessment** (LCA) to establish an effective methodology and define the parameters for achieving an **environmental optimum**.

2013: Silvadec Fibres, the intuition of the circular

In 2013, support from ADEME helped finance a project at the heart of the Silvadec group's eco-industrial strategy: Silvadec Fibres, the production unit of the wood flour.

This is a raw material production unit for Silvadec resulting from a partnership with the Josso sawmill, which specialises in the manufacture of wooden pallets. Silvadec Fibres converts Josso's sawmill off-cuts into wood flour. We use 2/3 of this secondary raw material in our composite products. This production unit was set up at a time when the concept of the circular economy was not yet self-evident, revealing **the avant-garde nature of Silvadec's industrial strategy.**

2016: the integration of recycled plastic

For the first time in 2016, Silvadec launched a research and development project aimed at **integrating recycled HDPE** as a substitute for the **virgin HDPE** used to date in its formulation.

The grant aimed to study whether it would eventually be possible to incorporate a black grade of recycled HDPE without affecting the product's mechanical properties, in particular due to an increase in its moisture recovery.

HEULIAD environnement 2025: Towards a 100% recycled and local wood composite thanks to this new recycled plastic manufacturing unit.