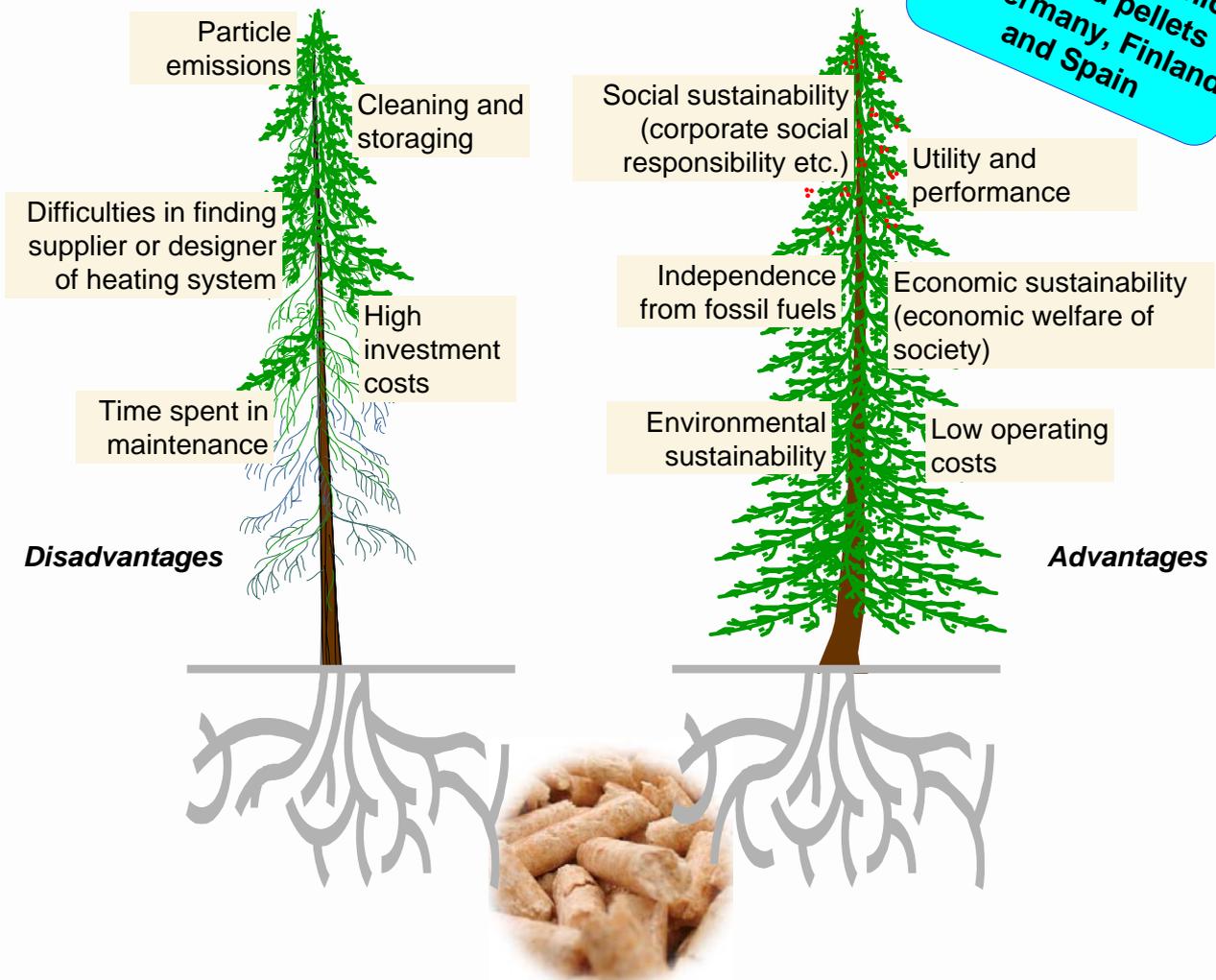


M5 - Industry to Consumer Interactions

Consumers' opinions on wood pellets in Germany, Finland and Spain



WOOD-BASED PELLETS

- produced of wood residues such as sawdust, chips, shavings and planing dust that mainly come from the mechanical forest industry
- the most traded form of biomass fuels alongside with wood chips
- the only form of wood-based bioenergy that is reasonable to transport long distances
- the countries studied are Finland, Sweden, Germany and Spain in 2005
- since 2005 the consumption of pellets has grown significantly