

# Bioeconomy status and trends in Megaflorestais countries

Results from a minisurvey

# Bioeconomy/Green economy

- No universally accepted definitions of these concepts
- Forestry and forest industry play an important role in achieving the overall objective embodied in them

## **Aim of the survey:**

Establish a common understanding on how forestry and forest industries are envisioned to contribute

- Different concepts used (terminology)
- Forestry's and forest industry's role in them
- Opportunities
- Challenges

# Results (general)

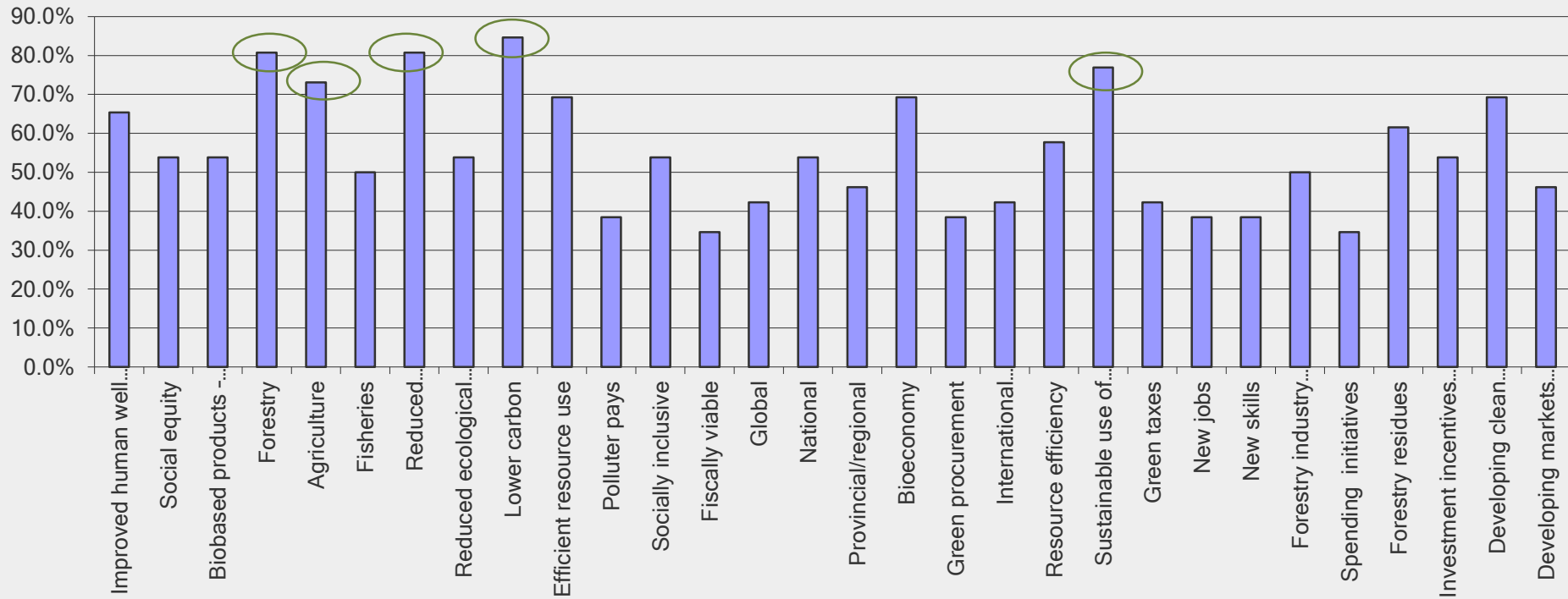
- Nine countries (Brazil, Cameroun, Canada, China, DR Congo, Mexico, Peru, Sweden, USA)
- Combination of closed (six) and open questions (five)
- Generally high response-rate on all questions
- Only to some degree possible to differentiate answers, eg high and low income countries

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> 70%

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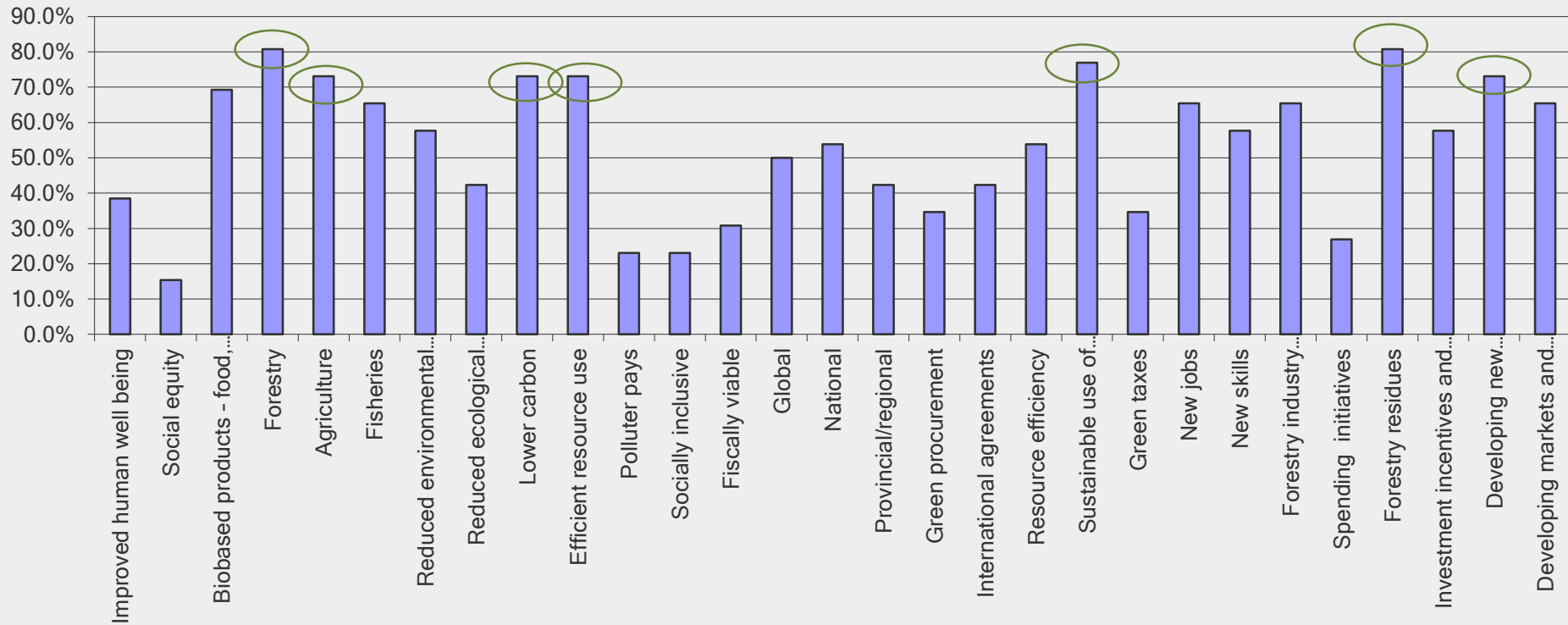
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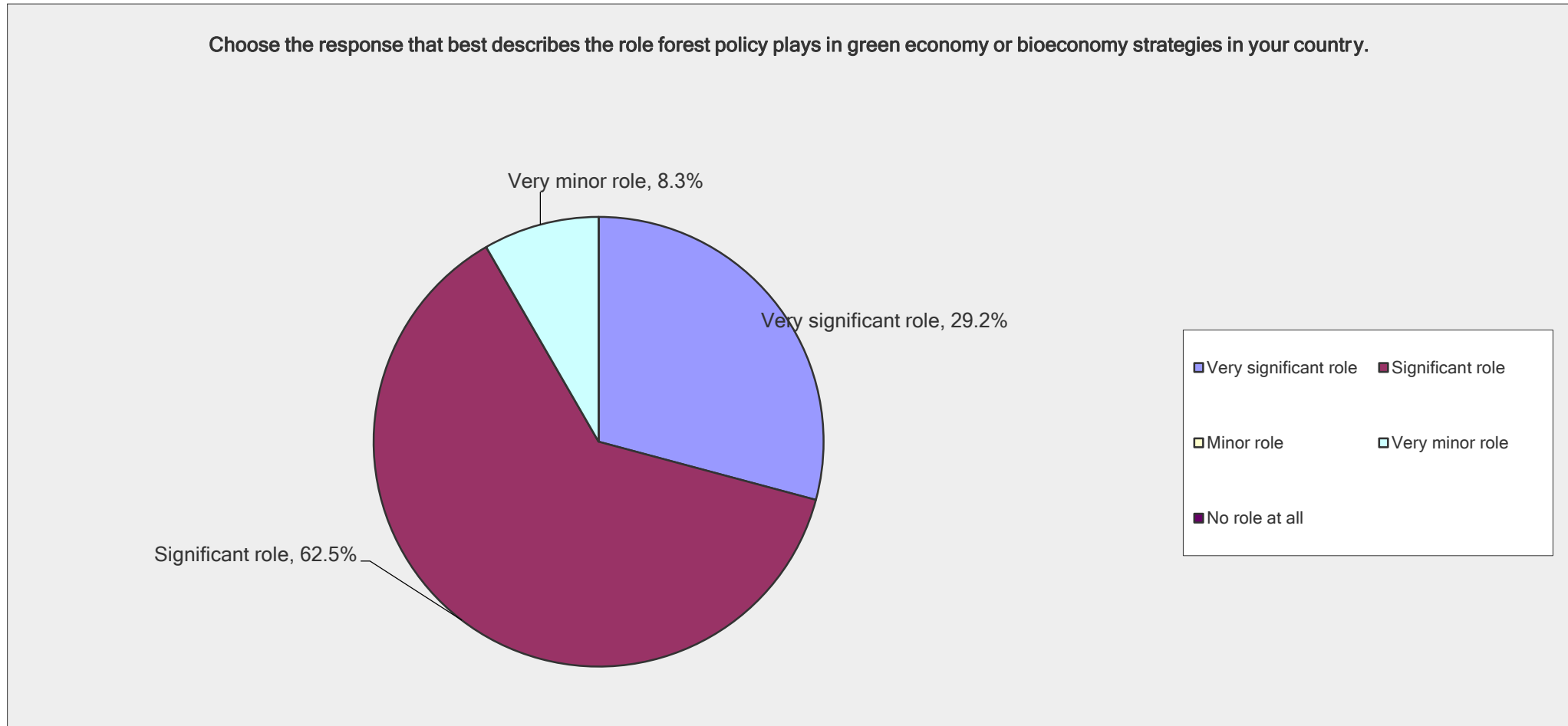
# Do you use either of the terms “green economy” or “bioeconomy” nationally or do you use another term?

- In most countries both terms are in use
- Forestry-bioeconomy most commonly used, especially when focussing on industrial processes
- Green economy often used more broadly and generally implies more environmentally sustainable modes of production/consumption
- Green economy more prevalent in Spanish and French speaking countries. Here other terms such as environmental economy are also in use.

# Do you have a national/subnational strategy for bioeconomy/green economy?

- About 80% of the answering countries have national strategy och programme in place
- Most are adopted by governments and came into force 2008-2016
- Most are wide in scope with no reference to a specific sector
- Stronger focus on environmental aspects in countries in the South
- In the North socio economic issues such as jobs and competitiveness seem to take more centre stage

# What role forest policy plays in green economy or bioeconomy strategies in your country?

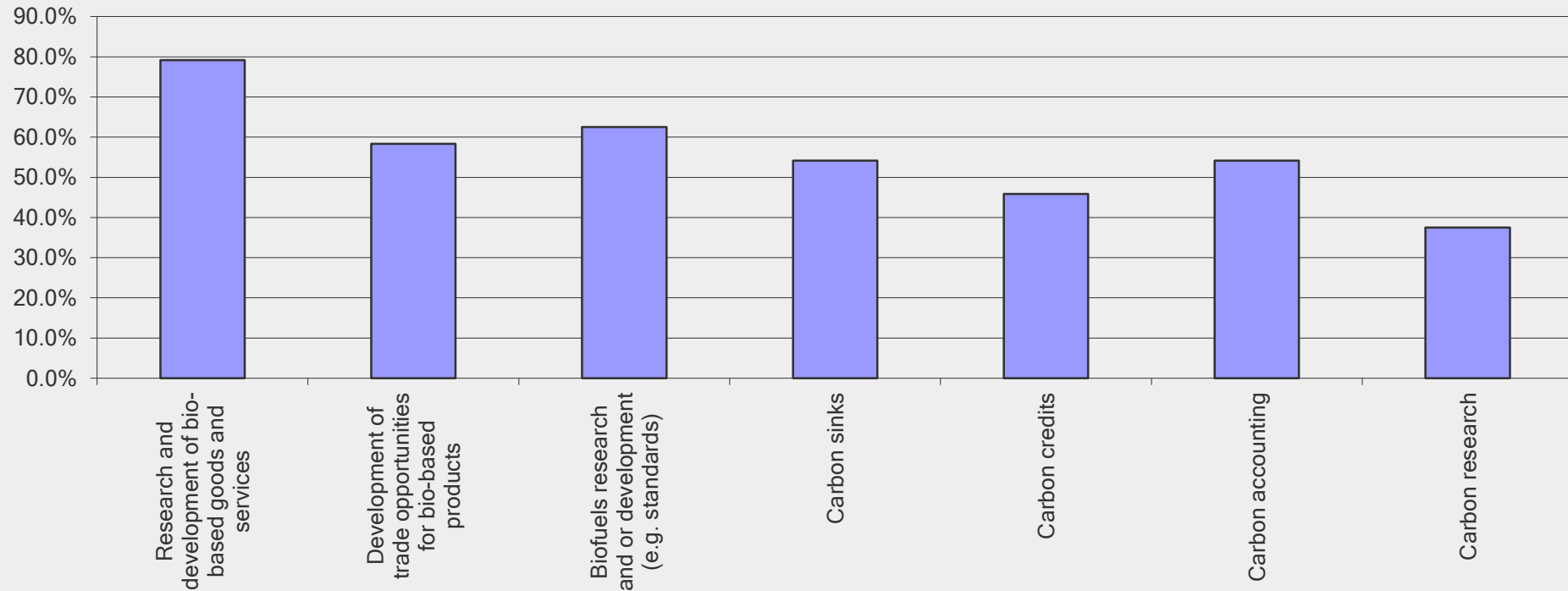




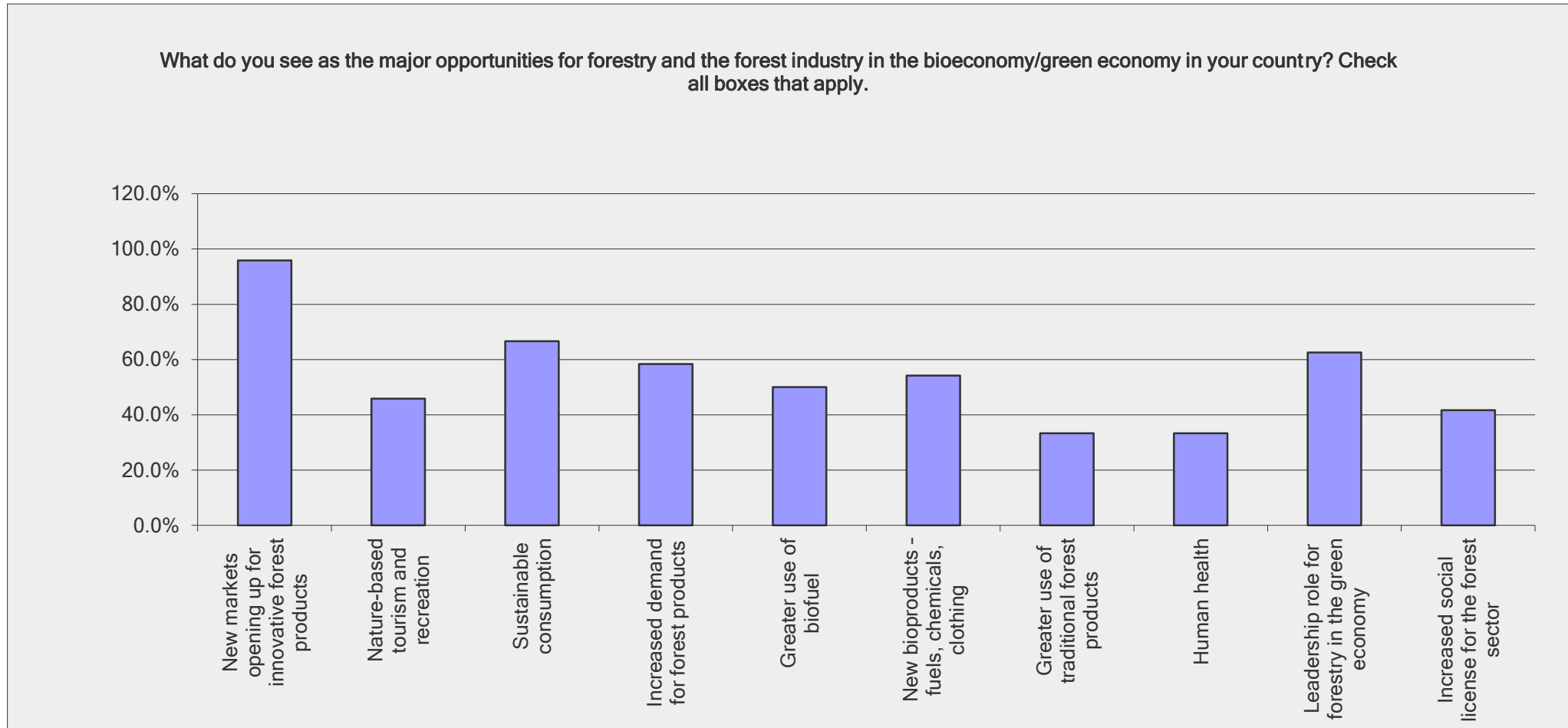
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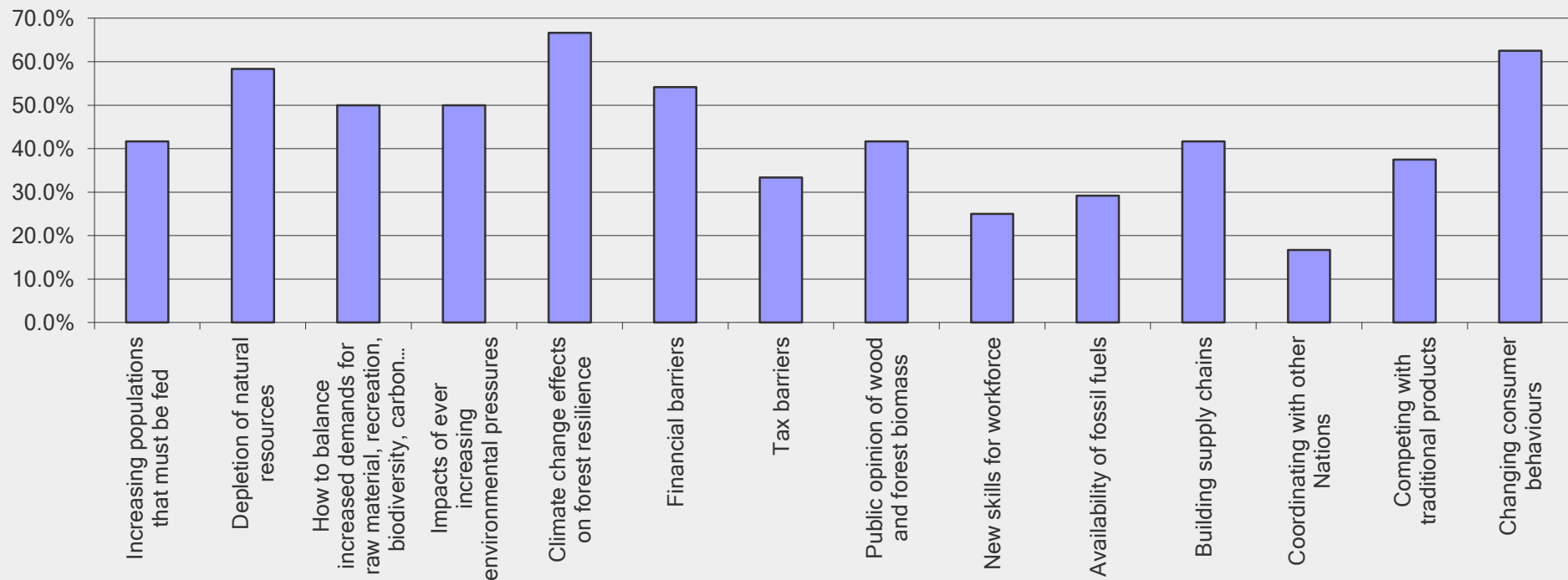


# What do you see as the major opportunities for forestry and the forest industry in the bioeconomy/green economy in your country?



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# How do these opportunities and challenges affect your agency's mission and work?

- A broadening of agencies' assignment expressed by some countries, new roles and competencies (Stronger horizontal and vertical integration)
- Some replies called for the need to change current national policies and/or formulate a clear vision and strategy with political backing

# Role of the MegaFlorestais network?

- Sharing experiences and good examples
- Continuing support for organizing education and training sessions for sustainable use of natural resources management and their contribution to green economy/bioeconomy
- Megaflorestais advocacy role to increase recognition of the role of forestry (messages, participation international meetings)

# Roundtable for Megaflorestais leaders

- What opportunities does the concept of bioeconomy (the transition to a fossil-free society) present and how will it affect your Agency's mission?
- What are the challenges and bottlenecks for making s forest-based bioeconomy competitive (e.g. lack of investment, policies, public views)?
- What concrete measures/activities are your country and/or agency taking to address these challenges and bottlenecks
- What role do you see for Megaflorestais to be considered in the action plan for 2018?