



## SME COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAMME





Loan Amount	€ 287,346
Grant amount	€ 43,102
EU Directives met	Directives relating to machine safety, OHS and Eco-design
Invested in	Finger joint plant with auxiliary tools Compact Basic P Machine for testing shear and bending strength Model KN 50

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## The Bosnian leader in building prefabricated houses improved its product quality

The privately owned company STECO CENTAR from Kojčinovac in BiH was founded in 1992. Extensive experience has made the company a market leader in design, production, sales, and assembly of prefabricated wooden houses. In its production process, STECO CENTER uses natural materials and advanced technologies in order to achieve its 5E principles they are guided by: efficiency, ecology, energy, ergonomics and esthetics.

STECO CENTER has become a dominant actor on domestic and world markets of prefabricated and wooden buildings. With its trademark light construction, the company has been highly recognized for its work over the past 20 years as well as for the several thousands of houses installed worldwide.

In order to improve the company's product quality, environmental protection and health and safety at work, STECO CENTAR invested in new equipment: Finger joint plant with auxiliary tools Compact Basic P from Bottene srl. and a Machine for testing shear and bending strength Model KN 50 from Bottene srl.

With the investment, the company now meets a wide variety of standards, including:

- Directive 2014/35/EU on the Harmonization of the Laws of Member States relating to Electrical Equipment Designed for Use within Certain Voltage Limits
- Directive 2014/30/EU on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility (recast)
- Directive 89/391/EEC introducing the measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work
- Directive 89/654/EEC concerning the minimum safety and health requirements for the workplace
- Directive (EU) 2017/2398 amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work
- Directive 1999/92/EC on minimum requirements for improving the safety and health protection of workers potentially at risk from explosive atmospheres
- Directive 2014/34/EU relating to equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres
- Directive 2009/125/ establishing a framework for the setting of Eco-design requirements for energy-related products (recast) (Text with EEA)

After the successful verification of its investment project, the company received a15% grant cash-back, funded by the European Union.