## PD 385/05 Rev.4 (I,F) Industrialization, Marketing, and Sustainable Management of Ten Mexican Native Species Workshop to Disseminate the Project Results Chetumal, Quinata Roo, Mexico 8-9 March 2012

The project aimed at studying the physical-mechanical properties of 10 native timber species of the tropical forest of Mexico's South-Eastern region, and enhancing their management, productivity, potential utilization in processed wood products, and identification of potential market niches.

The project studied the following 11 timber species (instead of 10 as originally proposed):

- Brosimum alicastrum (Ramón);
- Manilkara zapota (Chicozapote);
- Bucida buceras (Pucté);
- Lonchocarpus castilloi (Machice);
- Metopium brownei (Chechén);
- Platymiscium yucatanum (Granadillo);
- Tabebuia rosea (Rosamorada);
- Caesalpinia platyloba (Chacté viga);
- Lysiloma bahamensis (Tzalam);
- Piscidia piscipula (Jabín);
- Tabebuia donnell-smithii (Primavera).



The project conducted a dissemination workshop in Chetumal, Quintana Roo on 8-9 March 2012, in order to present the results of the project to relevant stakeholders, such as, "ejidos" (communal forest units), timber industries, artisans, carpenters, traders and local authorities. The workshop also highlighted prototypes of timber products of the selected species, which were exhibited at the site.

High-added value timber products from Mexican native timber species Photo: J. Leigh, ITTO

The topics covered in the Workshop include:

- Silviculture of the timber species<sup>\*</sup>,
- Natural durability of the timber species\*,
- Physical-mechanical properties of the timber species\*,
- Workmanship of the timber species\*,
- Diagnosis of first and second stage processing timber industries\*,
- Design of timber products, using the selected species\*,
- Potential market niches for the timber species\*, and
- Lessons learned.



Moldings from Mexican native timber species. Photo: R. Carrillo/ITTO

\*Power-point presentations of above subjects available in Spanish only.

· Silviculture of the timber species = *Potencial y Productividad de las especies nativas maderables* 

· Natural durability of the timber species = Durabilidad Natural 11 especies maderables

- Physical-mechanical properties of the timber species = *Porpiedades Físicas 11 especies maderables*
- · Workmanship of the timber species = Trabajabilidad 11 especies maderables
- · Diagnosis of first and second stage processing timber industries = Diganósticon industria de transformación primaria
- · Design of timber products, using the selected species = Diseño de productos 11 especies
- · Potential market niches for the timber species = *Potencial comercial y nichos de Mercado*