## South Africa: "How green are my plantations?"

A very interesting debate on the impacts of tree monocultures in South Africa is currently taking place in the SAWAC (Southern Africa Water Crisis) web site.

The debate starts with some critical comments on an article published in Sawubona magazine ("How green are my forests"), in which the forestry industry presents itself as the champion of nature conservation. The Chief Director of the Forestry Department of Water Affairs and Forestry replies defending that position, while other participants in the debate also express their points of view questioning the industry's approach.

Those interested in the details of the debate are invited to visit SAWAC's site, where you will also find other relevant material on the impacts of large-scale tree plantations in South Africa.

Source: SAWAC web site