A triage for reuse, repurposing and upcycling of existing building components

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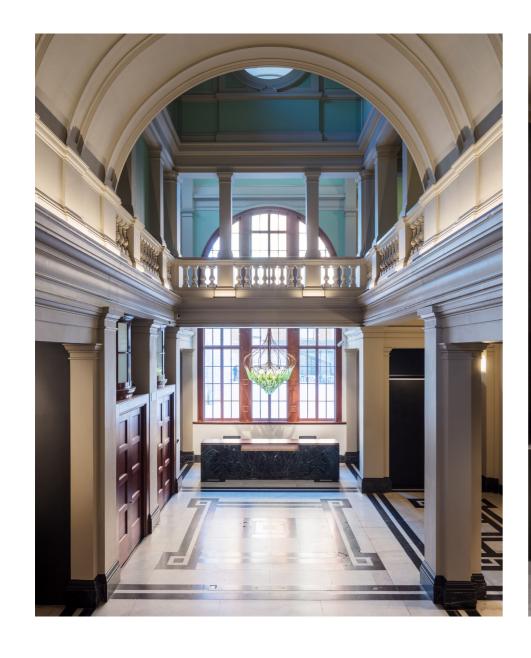


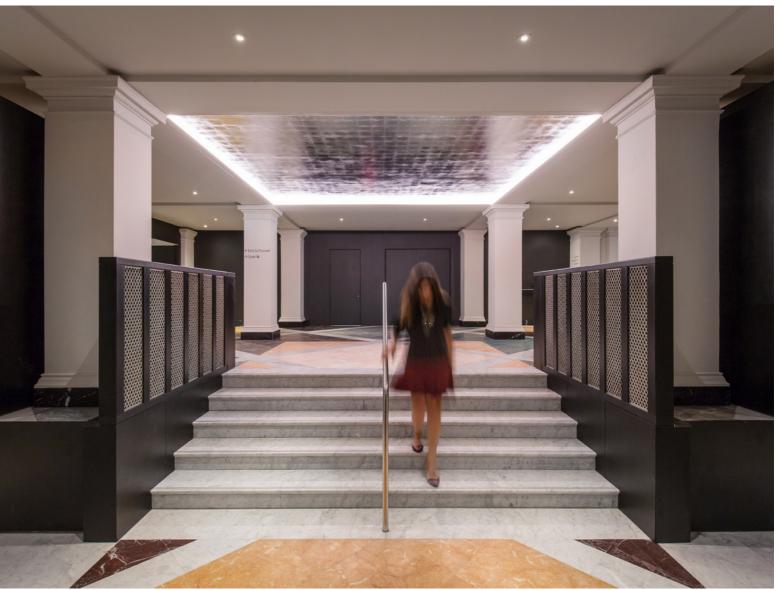




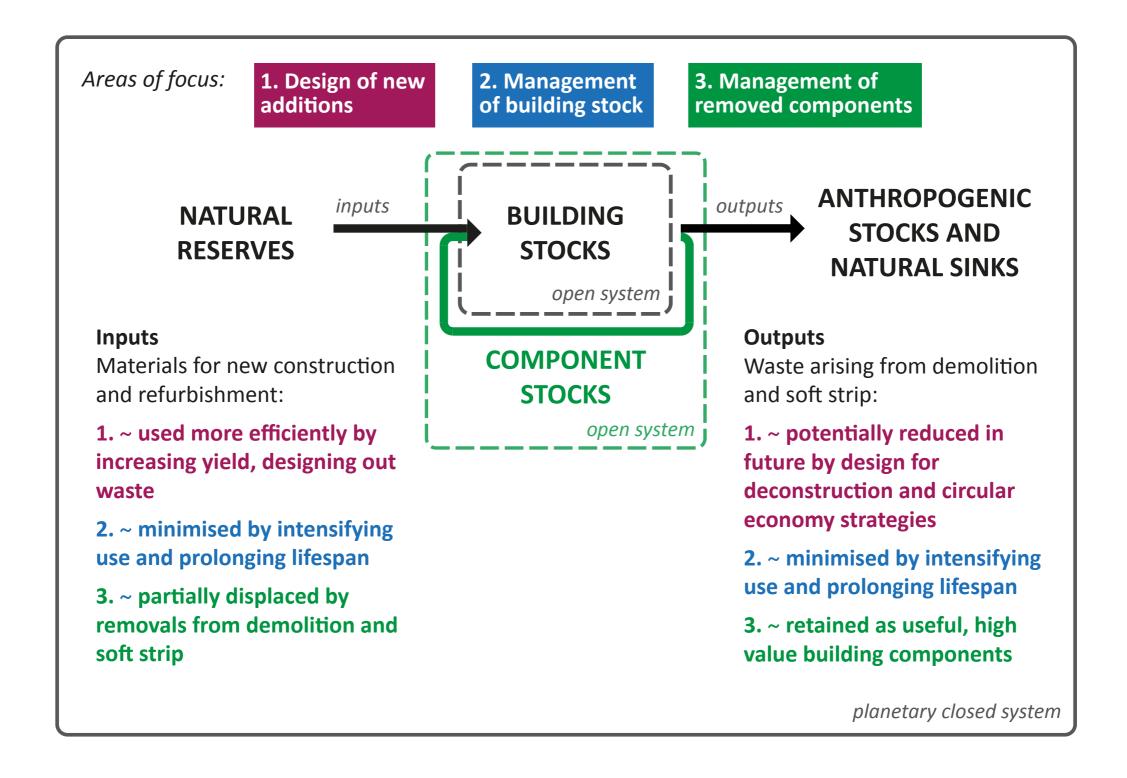




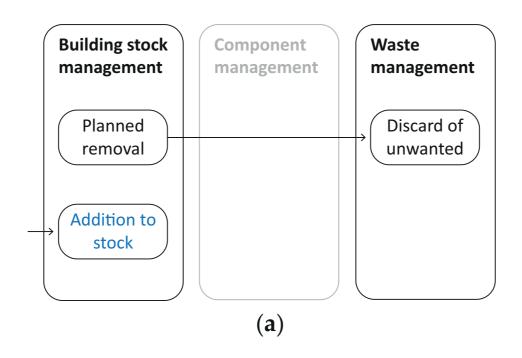




Potential areas of focus

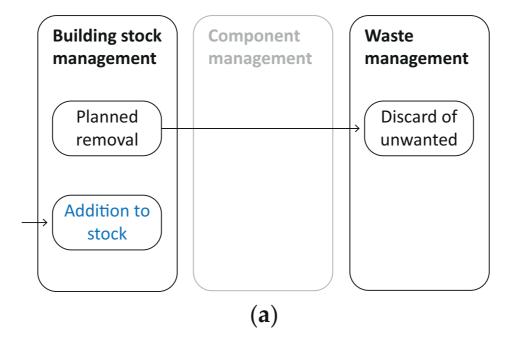


Existing scenarios

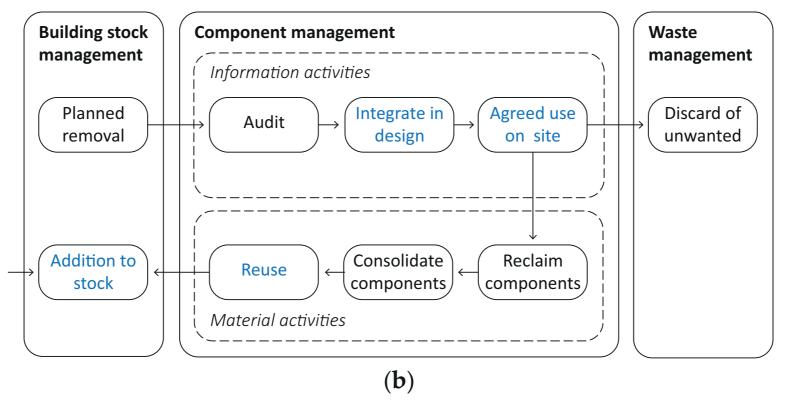


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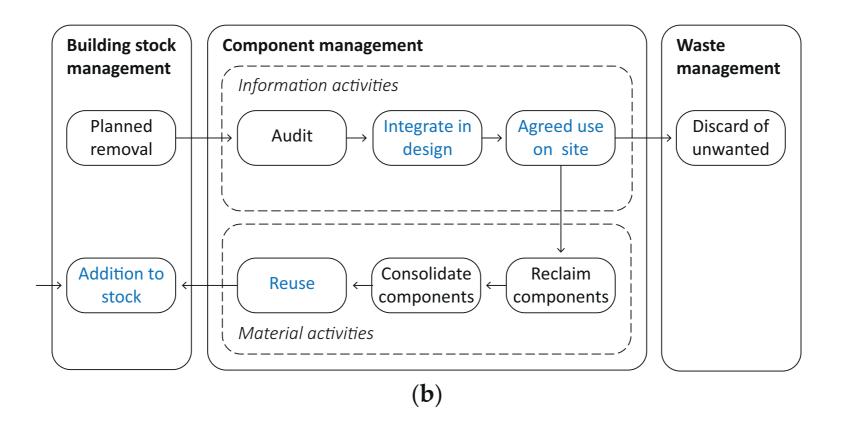
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Existing building team action

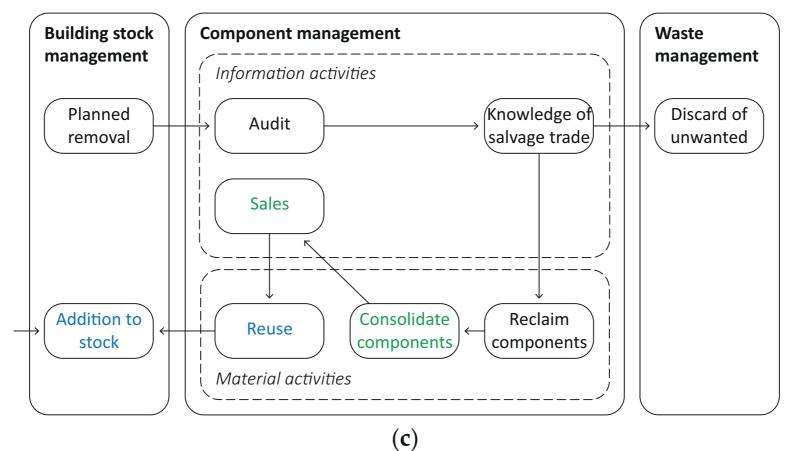
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Salvage trade action

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Formal or informal audit; some components of value to salvage industry; reuse off site

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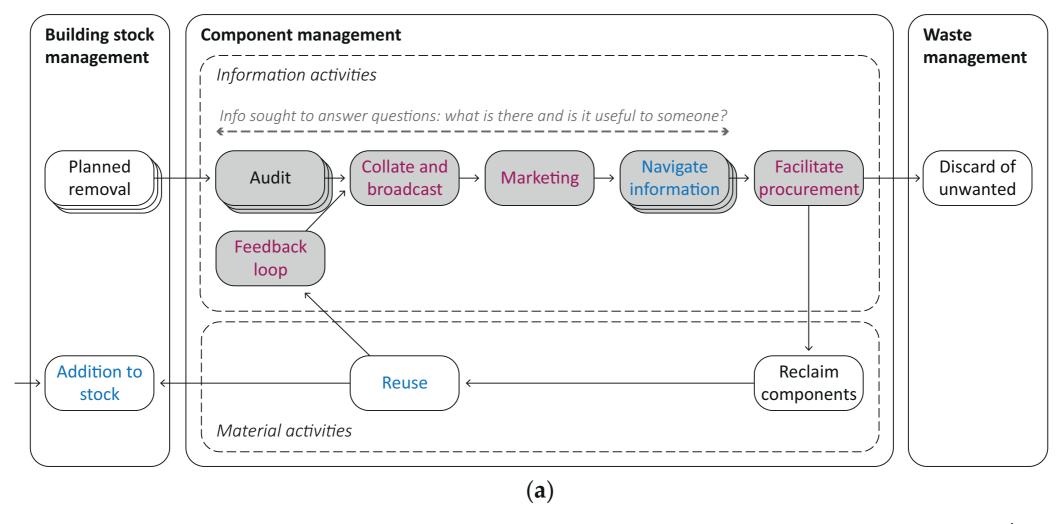
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Triage



Triage: audits submitted at planning stage; collated and broadcast to make visible to specifiers, allowing direct subtitution in some circumstances

Proposed sequences of activities for end-of-use existing building components (Rose and Stegemann, 2018a, 2018b)

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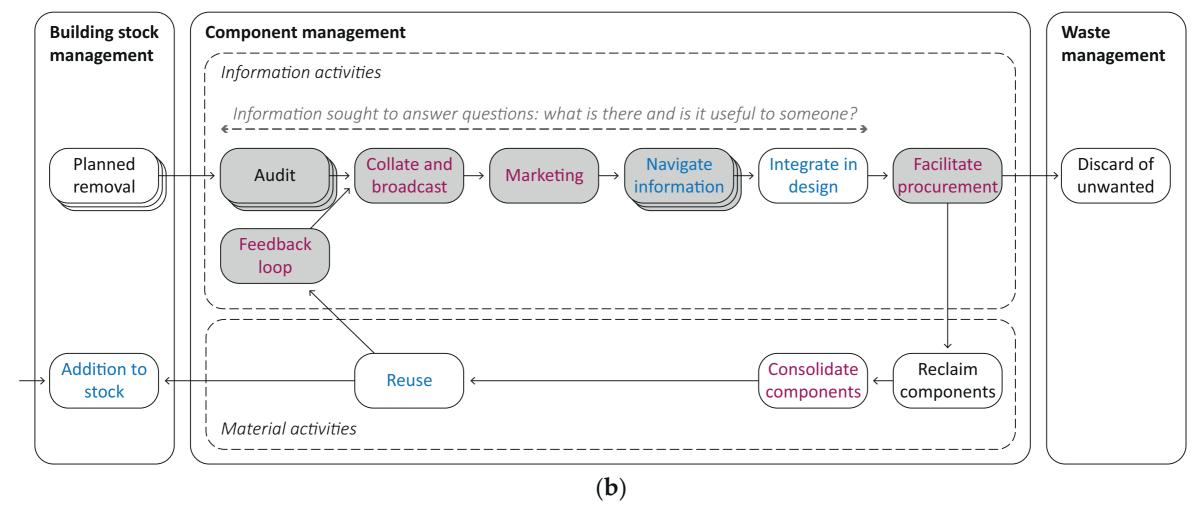
New build team action

Upcycling enterprise action

Action requiring support

Database related action

Triage



Triage: adding consolidation activity provides confidence over quantity; makes integration into design possible in more types of projects

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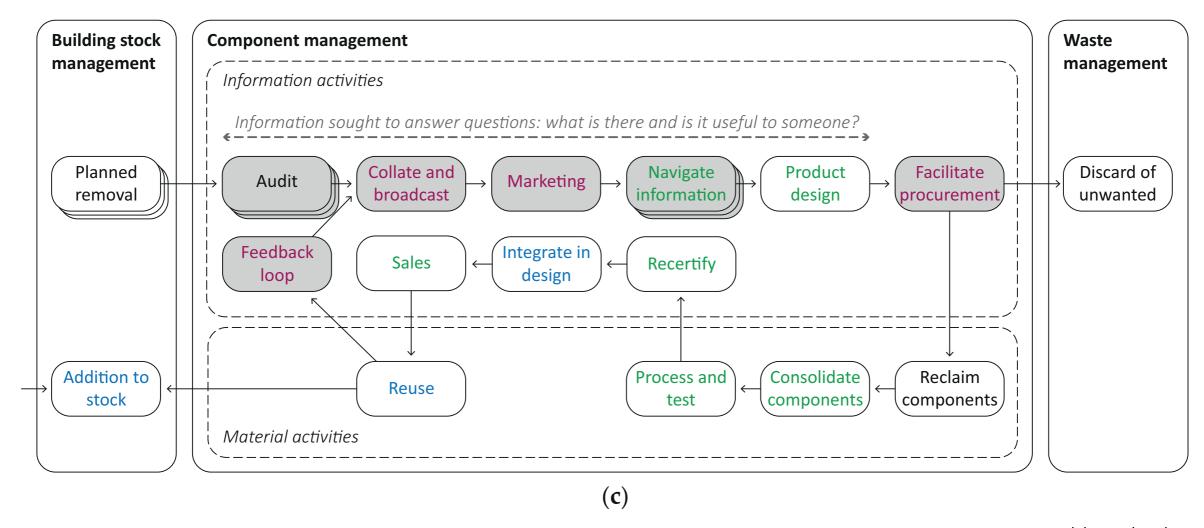
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Triage



Triage: adding third party upcyclers provides confidence over quantity and quality; makes secondary use more like normal procurement

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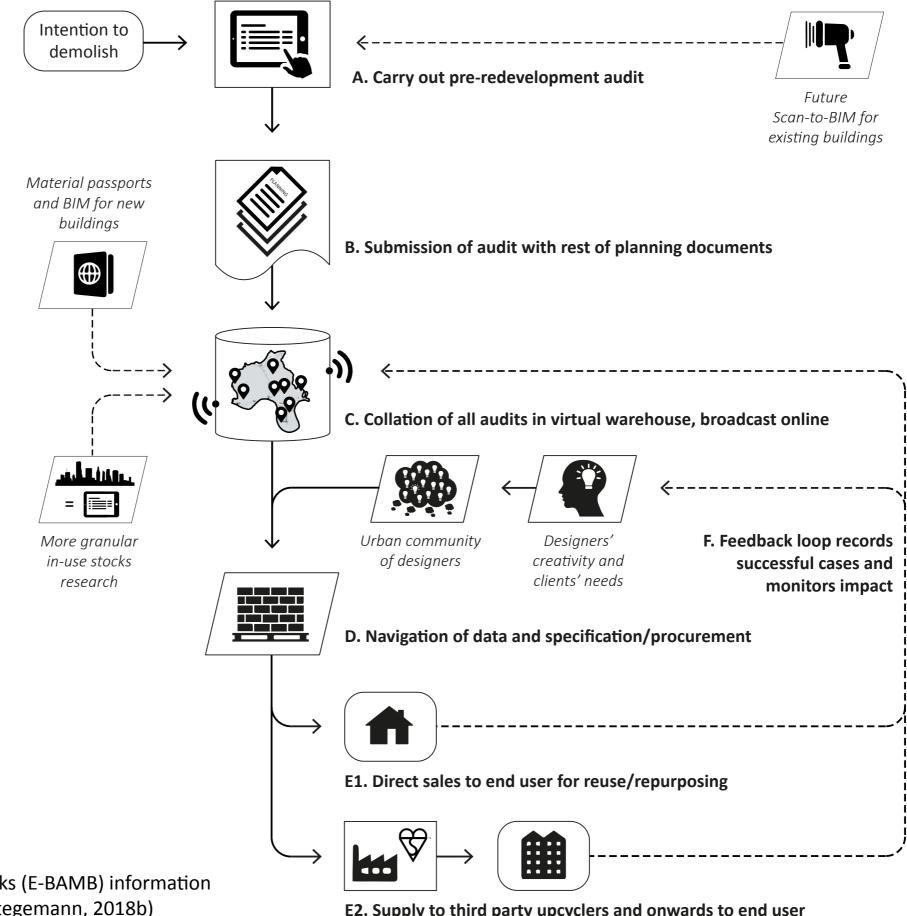
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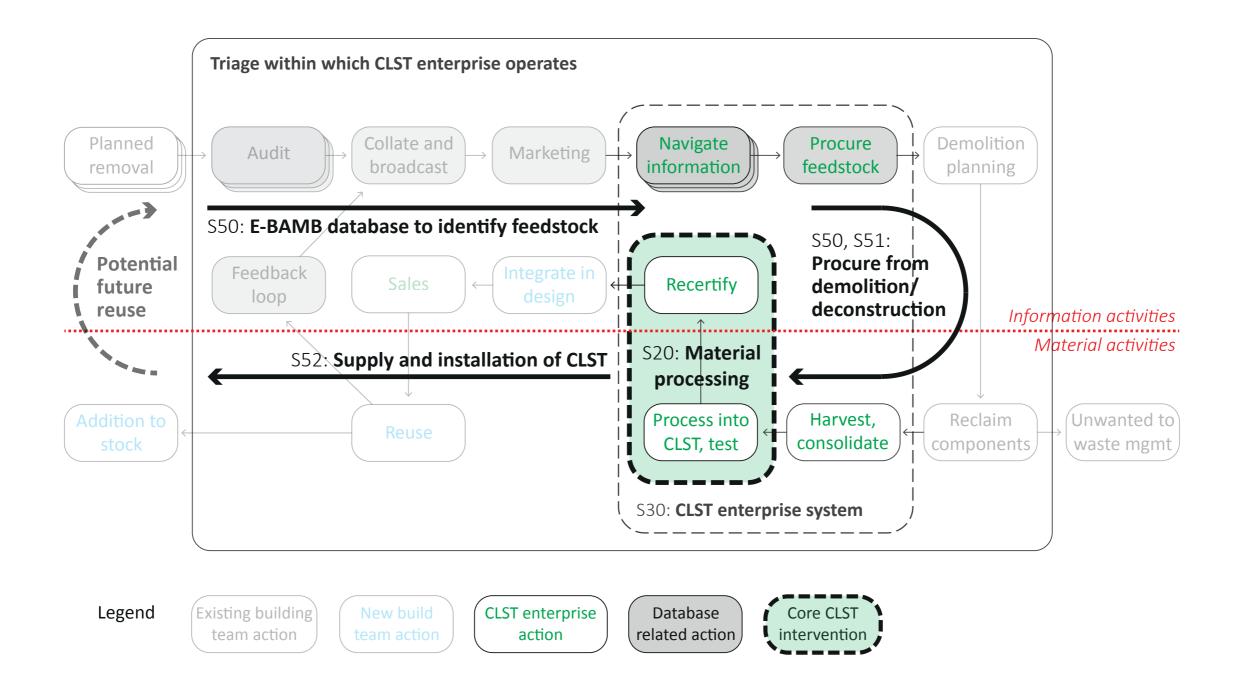
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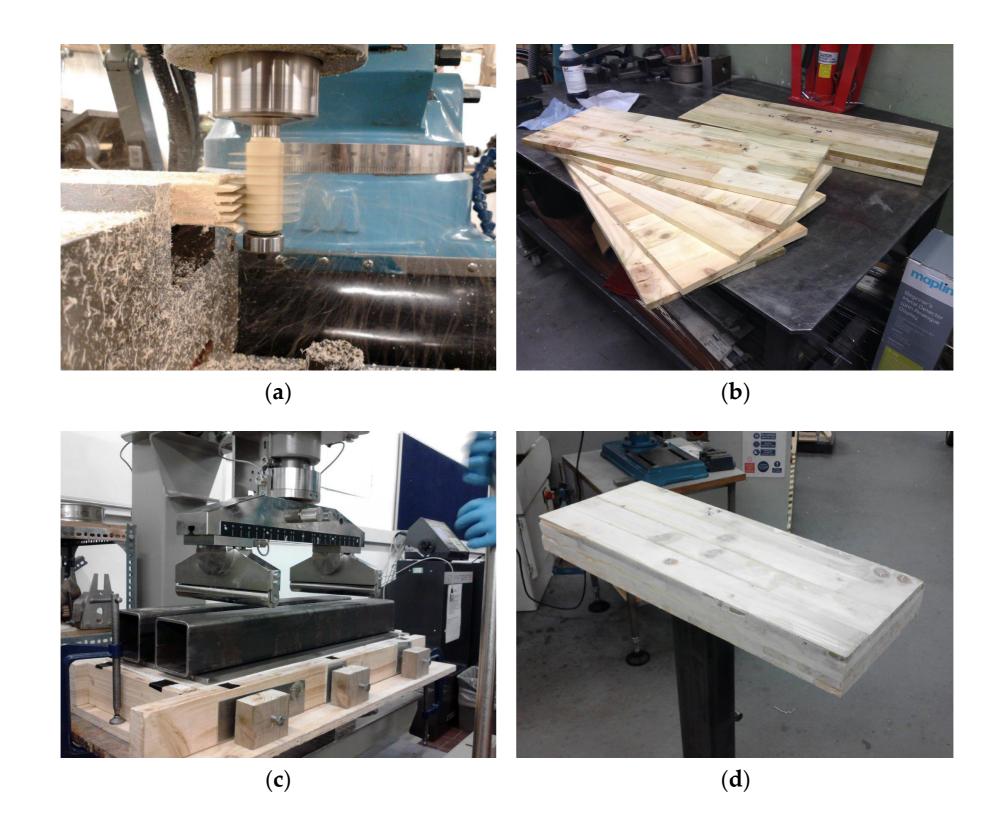
E-BAMB information system

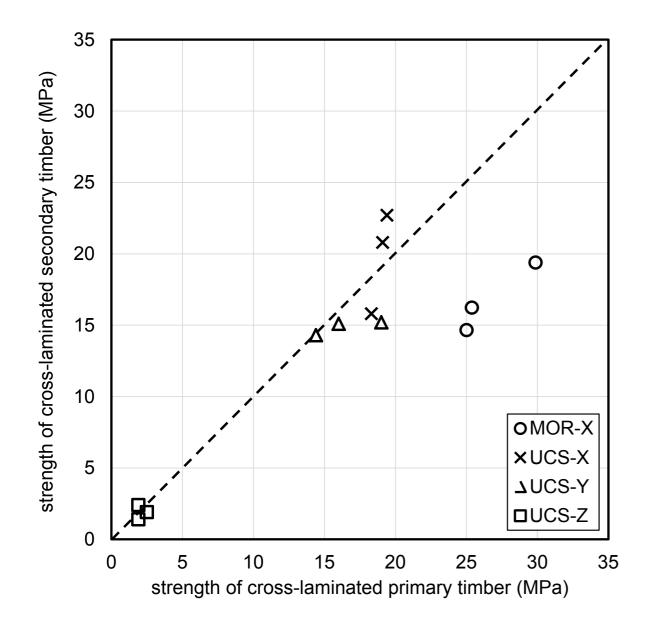


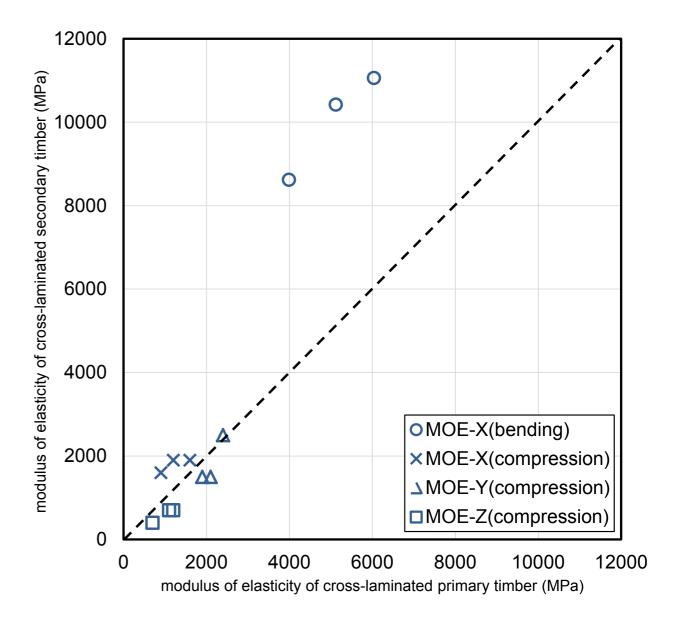
Existing buildings as material banks (E-BAMB) information system flow diagram (Rose and Stegemann, 2018b)

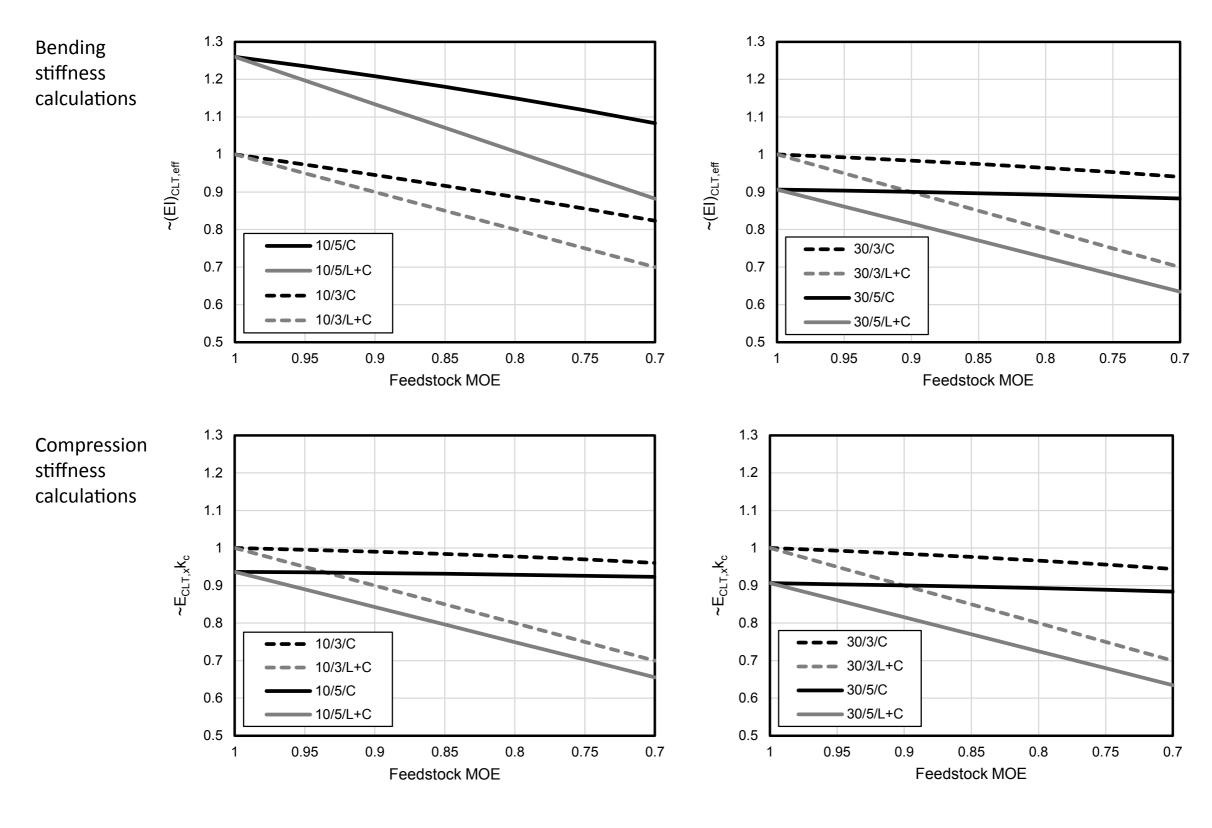
E2. Supply to third party upcyclers and onwards to end user











Calculations using mechanical jointed beams theory to assess combinations of primary and secondary timber in different length:depth ratios and different nnumbers of lamellae (Rose et al., 2018)

Thank you!

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