



# SUSTAINABLE WOOD *for a* SUSTAINABLE WORLD

Introduction to the initiative  
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**Sustainable wood value chains  
can conserve our forests while giving us sustainable  
wood products  
fundamental to achievement of the **SDGs** and **climate  
change** mitigation**

# What are sustainable wood value chains?

➤ **Efficiently generate environmental and socioeconomic benefits across all its segments through:**

- ✓ Compliance with sustainable forest management of natural and planted forests;
- ✓ Respect to sustainable landscapes;
- ✓ Commitment to efficient production;
- ✓ Supported by enabling regulation and finance;
- ✓ Compliance with international and national social and labour standards;
- ✓ Committed to responsible consumption; and
- ✓ Contributes to the bioeconomy.





# Value chains

**ENVIRONMENTAL**  
Landscape and site  
productivity and  
environmental  
values are sustained

**INSTITUTIONAL**  
Policies, laws,  
institutional  
frameworks and  
capacity, exist and  
are clear

**SOCIAL**  
Human and labor  
rights are respected

**ECONOMIC**  
Firms throughout the  
chain are profitable

# Sustainable wood value chains



**01.** Economic viability

**02.** Resource use

**03.** Net trade balance

**04.** Total production

**05.** Forest sector enterprise structure

**06.** Forest management certification and standardization

**07.** RD&E and investment

**08.** Compliance with economic legislation

**09.** Quality of employment

**10.** Wages and salaries

**11.** Education and training

**12.** Social innovations

**13.** Corporate social responsibility

**14.** Legal aspects of social protection and decent employment

**15.** Value chain inclusiveness

**16.** Occupational safety and health legislation

**17.** Legal aspects of environmental protection

**18.** Air pollution

**19.** Forest biodiversity

**20.** GHG emissions and renewable energy use

**21.** Soil condition

**22.** Water use

**23.** Generation of waste

**24.** Forest health

**25.** Compliance with legislation

**26.** Policy and institutions

**27.** Formal relations between value chain actors

**28.** Transparency of transactions

**29.** Public sector management and institutions

**30.** Investment environment

# The Sustainable wood for a Sustainable World Joint CPF Initiative

CIFOR

CITES  
Secretariat

FAO

ITTO

World  
Bank

WWF



Coalition of international organizations to **improve sustainability** of wood value chains for achievement of the **SDGs** and **climate change** objectives



# Objectives

**01** Raise awareness of the availability of sustainable wood products and their wide uses and benefits;

**02** Dispel perception of wood production as a driver of environmental damage and inequity

**03** Unblock markets and finance for sustainable wood

**04** Build Capacity for strengthening sustainable wood value chains

**05** Show how, when and where wood contributes to sustainable bioeconomy

## Exploring the linkages between:

- Forest management
- Landscapes
- Value chains
- Livelihoods
- Markets
- Investments and financing mechanisms

# SW4SW Concrete actions

- ✓ Forest value chains' sustainability assessments to improve and monitor wood value chains
- ✓ Assessment of contributions to the SDGs and climate change strategies
- ✓ Support to timber legality
- ✓ Policy and institutional development for production and consumption of sustainable wood products
- ✓ Platforms for sustainable landscape dialogues
- ✓ Connection to end markets, such as construction
- ✓ Support to cross-sectoral policies to incentivize sustainable forest management and consumption of sustainable wood
- ✓ Address trade barriers to market development
- ✓ Generation of sound evidence
- ✓ Dissemination of knowledge and innovations
- ✓ Fostering technical cooperation, including South-South cooperation
- ✓ Capacity building for accessing finance







# The Initiative operates at four levels:

## **POLICY LEVEL**

Improved policy,  
incentives and  
institutional  
frameworks

## **SCIENTIFIC LEVEL**

Evidence-based  
picture of wood  
production



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## **OPERATIONAL LEVEL**

Promote knowledge,  
innovation, productivity,  
employment,  
governance and  
inclusiveness

## **POLITICAL LEVEL**

Advocacy of the wide-  
reaching benefits of  
sustainable wood

# Technical support

- ✓ **Voluntary guidelines** for forest concessions in Latin America (Peru and Guatemala) and Mozambique.
- ✓ **Expert meeting 2-3 April 2019 FAO HQ, Rome:** “Catalyzing private finance for inclusive and sustainable forest value chains”
- ✓ **Support to Uganda and Kenya** on finance for small holders
- ✓ **Regional dialogues:**
  - Cameroon: 29-30 May 2019;
  - South Africa 29-31 October 2019;
  - China, 23-25 November 2019;



