Legality and Sustainability in the wood value chain

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FSC Certified Forests

Global FSC-certified forest area

North America
- 33.3% of total FSC-certified area (66,596,172 ha)
- 258 certificates

Europe
- 50.3% of total FSC-certified area (100,685,523 ha)
- 783 certificates

South America & Caribbean
- 6.9% of total FSC-certified area (13,909,041 ha)
- 268 certificates

Africa
- 3.6% of total FSC-certified area (7,115,129 ha)
- 55 certificates

Asia
- 4.6% of total FSC-certified area (9,265,396 ha)
- 259 certificates

Oceania
- 1.3% of total FSC-certified area (2,675,364 ha)
- 40 certificates

Total certified area: 200,248,615 ha
No. countries: 82
Total no. certificates: 1,663
Principle 1

- Legally defined entity
- Legal status of the Management Unit
- Legal rights to operate
- Protect the Management Unit from illegal activities
- **Comply with the applicable national laws, local laws, ratified international conventions and obligatory codes of practice**
- Issues of statutory or customary law
- **Anti- corruption**
- Long-term commitment to adhere to the FSC Principles and Criteria
FSC Forest Management

✓ Principle 1: Compliance with Laws
✓ Principle 2: Workers’ Rights and Employment Conditions
✓ Principle 3: Indigenous Peoples’ Rights
✓ Principle 4: Community Relations
✓ Principle 5: Benefits from the Forest
✓ Principle 6: Environmental Values and Impacts
✓ Principle 7: Management Planning
✓ Principle 8: Monitoring and Assessment
✓ Principle 9: High Conservation Values
✓ Principle 10: Implementation of Management Activities
FSC CoC and CW

OUR Forests.
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Responsible Forest
Healthy Forests & Communities
Supply Chain Tracking
Product Label
Credibility of the FSC System
Credibility of the FSC System

WWF – economic, environmental and social impacts
Independent research – Indonesia, Portugal, Tanzania, Congo Basin, etc.
FSC and the SDGs

1. No Poverty
2. Zero Hunger
3. Good Health and Well-being
4. Quality Education
5. Gender Equality
6. Clean Water and Sanitation
7. Affordable and Clean Energy
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
10. Reduced Inequalities
11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
12. Responsible Consumption and Production
13. Climate Action
14. Life Below Water
15. Life on Land
16. Peace and Justice, Strong Institutions
17. Partnerships for the Goals

The Global Goals for Sustainable Development