

Team Europe Initiative Deforestation – Free Value Chains

Scientific and Technical Forest Committee Thematic Workshop

Examples of tools facilitating legal and deforestation-free supply chains

Title: "Scientific and Technical Forest Committee Thematic Workshop"

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Location: AFD, Mistral site, 3 place Louis Armand 75012 Paris - Nelson Mandela Auditorium

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The New York and Amsterdam Declarations, together with France's National Strategy on Imported Deforestation (SNDI), adopted before the European Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), reflect strong public and private interest in making agricultural and forestry value chains more responsible, especially in relation to their impact on forests.

French think tank on tropical forests, [CST Forêt](#) has already examined the implications and implementation details of these commitments/regulations. It has now started reviewing how the private sector is handling the EUDR requirements. But given the rapid development of a wide range of tools, there is a need to update this information.

As part of the [Team Europe Initiative \(TEI\) on deforestation-free value chains](#), [AFD](#) is supporting a dedicated [Technical Facility](#) managed by the European Forest Institute (EFI), facilitating the understanding of EUDR requirements and response at local level to those. Solutions include the development and promotion of numerous open-source tools designed by various organizations. Other tools are also developed by AFD partners or CST-F members, covering areas like geolocation of production sites, traceability along supply chains, estimation of "forest footprint" or assessment of the risk of deforestation.

This one-day event will provide a brief overview of existing tools, with the aim of encouraging their uptake, informing the future work of CST Forêt, and benefiting interested stakeholders more broadly, particularly members of EFI's Community of Practice.

Agenda

Time	Session
8:45-9:15	Welcome (coffee)
9:15-9:25	Opening remarks: Matthieu Le Grix (AFD) and Katrin Toepfer (Team Europe Initiative – GIZ)
9:25-9:55	Presentation of the European Forest Institute's <i>Open-source tools explainer</i> Pamela Elias & Edwin Gaarder (EFI)
9:55-10:20	Collecting geolocation data: Ground / GeoIDs – Rémi d'Annunzio (FAO)
10:20-11:25	Tracing value chains WHIMO – Pamela Elias & Edwin Gaarder (EFI) INAtTrace and TraceFoodChain – Pascal Ripplinger (GIZ) Timber traceability – Speaker TBA (PEPPs)
11:25-12:15	Estimating forest footprint of commodities Commodity converter – Pamela Elias & Edwin Gaarder (EFI) TBC: "REFF," France Forest Footprint Framework (Envol Vert)
12:15-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00-15:40	Assessing deforestation & forest degradation WHISP – Rémi d'Annunzio (FAO) Deforestation-Free Trade Gateway/Sylva – Grzegorz Tajchman (ITC) TBC: Canopy initiative (JDE Peet's) TBC: Mapping degradation based on forest ecology (Cirad)
15:40-16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00-17:00	Discussion on the ecosystem of tools and initiatives
17:00	Closing remarks