Changes to FSC Principles and Criteria and revisions of National Forest Stewardship Standards

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Presentation Outline

• The FSC Principles and Criteria V5
• The International Generic Indicators (IGI)
• Transfer and development of National Forest Stewardship Standards
• Global Status
• Q&A
FSC Principles and Criteria V5

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- Unified requirements for natural forests and plantations
- New Principle 10 for forest management activities
- New concepts:
  - Corruption (C1.7)
  - Gender equality (C2.2)
  - Minimum wages (C2.4)
  - Definition and monitoring of targets for management objectives (C7.3, C8.1)
  - Reforestation requirement (C10.1)
  - Management of risks (C10.9)
International Generic Indicators (IGI)

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• Common starting point for the development of National Forest Stewardship Standards

• Improve the consistency and quality of National Forest Stewardship Standards

• Support a faster and more efficient development and approval process of National Forest Stewardship Standards
Development of a NFSS

Transfer Procedure
Adopt, Adapt, Drop, Add

FSC-STD-60-002
Structure & Content

FSC-STD-60-006
Process requirements

National Standard V5
Transfer of a NFSS

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FSC-STD-60-006
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National Standard V4

National Standard V5
The overall process

- Set-up the SDG
- Develop / Transfer NFSS
- Approval process
- Roll-out
**Standard Development Group**
Balanced representation of stakeholder interests

- Forest owners / managers
- Forest contractors
- Processors
- Retailers

- Forest workers
- Unions
- Recreation Associations
- Communities

**Economic**
(Min. 2 persons)

**Ecological**
(Min. 2 persons)

**Social**
(Min. 2 persons)

ENGOs
Ecosystem Services
Animal protection
Global Status

- 56 countries have registered to transfer or develop NFSS
- 10 NFSS have been approved by the Policy and Standards Committee
- 30 countries have been identified for the development of Interim National Standards by CBs
- 2 INS (Kyrgyzstan and Rwanda) have been approved by the Policy and Standards Committee