

"Legal Forest Products and International Trade: A Regional Perspective". August 9 – 10, 2012

Centro Cultural Casa Lamm, México City, México

August 9th

8:30 - 9:30 Breakfast and Welcoming Remarks

9:30 - 10:45 Forest Legality in Latin America: An Overview

An overview of inter-regional trade of forest products, movement towards legality, and impacts in the region.

Participants:

- Intro and moderator: Alicia Grimes (USAID)
- Regional overview: Guillermo Navarro (tbc)

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 - 1:00 Forest Legality and Trade in Latin America: Select Countries

Experts from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia and Peru will provide an overview of the harvest and trade of forest products in their respective countries and the corresponding economic and ecological impacts.

Participants:

- Moderator: Victor Lleras, Ut'z Che'
- México: Sergio Madrid, Consejo Civil Mexicano para la Silvicultura Sostenible
- Guatemala: Yuri Melini, CALAS
- Colombia: William Braham, Instituto de Investigaciones Ambientales del Pacifico
- **Perú:** Julia Urrunaga, Environmental Investigation Agency
- Honduras: Ramón Alvarez; AMADHO

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Lunch 1:00 - 2:00

2:00 - 3:45 Small Forest Enterprises and the Timber Trade

Forest community leaders from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia and Peru will discuss their efforts to sustainably manage forest resources, comply with national and international regulations, and challenges to market access while remaining financially viable.

Participants:

- Moderator: Arturo Santos, IUCN
- México: Red Mocaf
- **Guatemala:** Empresa Comunitaria de Servicios del Bosque (FORESCOM)
- Colombia: Jhuver Gonzalez River; Legal Representative, Los Delfines
- Perú: Juan Tapayuri, Community Leader CORPI, Alto Amazonas, Peru
- Honduras: Melvin Cruz, Fundación Madera Verde

3:45—4:15 Coffee Break

4:15—5:15 Implications & Perspectives for Mexican Producers

Participants:

- Moderator: Reforestamos Mexico
- MOCAF: Gustavo Sanchez
- **CONAFOR**: Ignacio
- Proyecto GEF: Juan Manuel Barrera
- Reforestamos Mexico: (tbc)

6:00-7:00 Cocktail Hour

August 10th

8:30 - 9:30 Breakfast and Regional Trade Issues Recap

9:30 - 10:45 Emerging Global Legislation affecting trade in wood products

The Lacey Act and European Union Timber Regulation both prohibit the import of illegal sourced forest products. Panelist will discuss these laws and their impacts at home and abroad.

Participants:

- Moderator: (tbc)
- U.S. Government representative: Tom Swegle (DoJ), Gary Loungee (APHIS),U.S. Lacey Act
- **EFI:** Didier Devers, EUTR
- Forest Legality Alliance: WRI and EIA, public/private procurement policies; other Lacey-like legislation.

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 - 1:00 International Buyer's Perspectives

Examples of companies addressing the demand for legal products

Participants:

- Moderator: Reforestamos Mexico
- Taylor Guitars: Chris Cosgrove
- North American Wood Products Industry: Steve Allison or Marco Lowenstein (tbc)
- Masisa México: Leo Schlesinger

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 3:00 Technology Tools to Promote the Trade of Legal Wood Products

Available and Upcoming Technologies for Wood Identification and Tracking

Participants:

- Moderator: Shelly Gardner, USFS
- **Helveta:** Philip Briscoe, Barcoding and computer based tracking systems
- **WWF Germany**: (tbd), Isotopes
- Double Helix: Darren Thomas, DNA tracing

3:00 - 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 – 4:30 Stakeholder Initiatives to Promote Trade of Legal Wood Products

Initiatives to Support the trade of Forest Products of Legal Origin

Participants:

- Moderator: (tbd)
- **Veeduria**, **Perú**: Juan Tapayuri
- Forest Legality Alliance: WRI & EIA
- Legality Framework for Mexico: Reforestamos Mexico /Traffic
- **FLEGT**, Didier Devers, EFI

4:30 - 5:00pm Thank you and Closing