

## Group working report on: Steps towards credible Timber Legality Assurance System

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## Lao Delegates

- Total : 9 participants.
- Government official: MAF (5), MOIC (1).
- Private sector: LNCCI (1), LNWA(1), Private (1).

## Timber Legality Assurance System(TLAS)

- For the option on TLAS:
  - The Government should be the one who take the initiative on this concerned system. Base on the Chain of Custody (CoC system) and the regulations which we already have in place. In cooperate with the Private sectors to established the CoC system.
  - Develop and harmonize the existed system to comply with ASEAN, EU-FLEGT, International standard and practice.

## Road map

Criteria	Actions	Stakeholder	duration
Legality	Feasibility study: - Gap analysis of Lao legal framework in the context of FLEGT TLAS requirements. - Assessment Lao PDR Baseline, Stakeholder and VPA Options scoping study for meeting FLEGT Requirement	MAF, MOIC, MOF, EFI FLEGT Asia Program	Expect to lunch in Dec 2010 or early 2011.
	National Consultation to define a mutual definition of "Legality"	The key line ministries	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2012
	Sharing experiences with experiences countries (Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, etc.)	EU delegations, MAF, MOIC, MOF	By 2011
	Negotiate with EU for the common Definition of Legality.	EU, MAF, MOIC	By 2012
Control of Supply chain	Complete the CoC system with ASEAN, EU Standard	MAF, MOIC, EFI FLEGT Asia, EU, ASEAN	Expected to lunch by mid of 2011
	Dissemination of the CoC system	MAF, MOIC, MOF	2011 - 2012
	Promotion of CoC system in 10 pilot factories	WWF, EFI, MOIC, LNCCI	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2011
	Fully implementation of the CoC system	MAF, MOIC	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2011

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Verification (supply Chain and Legality Definition)	- Strengthening the national verification institution	MAF, MOIC, MOF, EFI FLEGT Asia Program, ASEAN, EU	Expect to lunch in Dec 2010 or early 2011.
	Designation of the Focal point of FLEGT in Lao PDR	MAF, MOIC, REDD+ NSC	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2011
	Integration of the FLEGT under the National Steering Committee	MAF, MOIC, REDD+ NSC, EU Delegation	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2011
	Participation with Regional or International Workshop, Meeting	MAF, MOIC, LNCCI, EU delegations	Expect to be achieved by the end of 2012
	Promoting the enforcement of the national regulation	EU delegations, MAF, MOIC, MOF	By 2011
Independent Monitoring of the entire system	Discussion with EU in the common requirement of the Accredited independent monitoring organization.	MAF, MOIC, EU	2012 - 2013
	Define TOR of independent monitoring organization	MAF, MOIC, EU	2012 - 2013
VPA	Negotiation with EU	Lao PDR, EU	Expect to begin the negotiation by the end of 2012

## Institutional Arrangement

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## Support

**EU +  
EFI FLEGT  
Asia Program**

- Capacity building
- Training of Trainer
- Awareness raising (Publishing, Guideline, workshop, training)
- Study tour/Sharing Experiences
- Development of Database (TLAS)
- Paper base
- Electronic

**ASEAN +  
Mekong  
Region**

- Meeting/Information Exchange among CLMV countries and other ASEAN state member

Thank you very much