



TROPICAL TIMBER: FROM LEGALITY TO MARKET RECOGNITION

Carrefour International du Bois 2026

Tuesday, June 2, 2026 · 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. · Canopée 2, Hall XXL, Nantes

Organized by TDUK & ATIBT · Moderated by David Hopkins, Timber Development UK

Registration: <https://forms.gle/xzMccKahUHBE4QCq7>

TIME	TOPIC
SECTION 1 · WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION	
	<p>Opening and context</p> <p>Welcome remarks from ATIBT/TDUK, presentation of the context and objectives of the FGMC2 program. Introduction to the central question: how can national legality and traceability systems be recognized, considered reliable, and effectively integrated into international due diligence frameworks?</p>
SECTION 2 · SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS 11:00 AM – 11:40 AM	
	<p>Robbie Weich <i>Tradelink</i></p> <p>An importer's perspective – navigating EUDR requirements and translating due diligence into concrete sourcing decisions.</p>
	<p>Tom van Loon <i>Interholco</i></p> <p>A producer's perspective – implementing traceability systems and meeting the ever-changing expectations of international markets.</p>
	<p>Richard Gyimah <i>Ghana Forestry Commission / FLEGT Licensing Authority</i></p> <p>From policy to practice – implementing Ghana's timber legality verification system and lessons learned from FLEGT licensing.</p>
	<p>Emily Fripp <i>Coalition for Wider Market Recognition / Efeca</i></p> <p>Market recognition in action – how frameworks can build confidence in national systems and streamline buyer requirements.</p>
	<p>Françoise Van de Ven <i>ATIBT</i></p> <p>The role of associations – strengthening alignment between production systems and market expectations through collective action.</p>
SECTION 3 · MODERATED ROUNDTABLE 11:45 AM – 12:10 PM	
	Moderated roundtable
SECTION 4 · OPEN DISCUSSION 12:10 PM – 12:20 PM	
	Q&A with the audience
SECTION 5 · CLOSING 12:20 PM – 12:30 PM	
	Key takeaways and next steps

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12:30 PM – 1:30 PM · Informal networking lunch · Open to all participants