Trends in Europe regarding verified sustainable tropical timber

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=> Certification is a good tool; we need more area and tools, to grow impact on forests
Current state of affairs
Market Data Report 2020

• Scope: primary + selection secondary tropical timber products (excl. plantations):
  • Doors
  • Mouldings
  • Other joinery
  • Windows
• Exposed to certification estimate + verified legal and FLEGT licensed
Major EU27+UK importers by product group (tonnes)
Relative share by continent of origin

Primary timber products

Secondary timber products
EU27+UK imports exposed to certification

- 2018/19: 33% exposed, 26% lower boundary
- 2020: 36% exposed, 31% lower boundary

Not exposed
Upper boundary
Lower boundary

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Relative share Brazil

**Figure 5** Relative share (%) of the EU27+UK direct primary and secondary tropical timber product imports by country of origin in 2020.
Relative share Brazil

Figure 10 Relative share of EU27+UK direct primary and secondary tropical timber product imports exposed to certification in 2020 by ITTO producer country.

Figure 5 Relative share (%) of the EU27+UK direct primary and secondary tropical timber product imports by country of origin in 2020.

More details per country in report via www.idhsustainabletrade.com and www.probos.nl
Developments, various a.o.:

1. <Increasing importance local markets>
2. Stricter requirements for documentation, e.g.:
   a) EUTR, GPP / STPP, etc.
   b) FERC Regulation (EC’s legislative proposal to reduce imported deforestation (Nov 17). The draft regulation obliges DDS, ‘deforestation-free’:
      • No deforestation no forest degradation (harvesting operations need to be sustainable). EUTR is redundant and will be repealed.
3. Growing demand for timber as a (THE) biobased, circular, sustainable, etc. material
WELKOM
IN DE NIEUWE
HOUTEN EEUW.
E.g. NTTA 21st century: Century of wood

P&R and comms focus:
- Biobased
- Circular economy
- CO2 (Zero Carbon)
- Etc.

=> Verified sustainable pre-condition, for scoring well in LCA’s, EPDs etc!
Sector embraces verified sustainable
Sector to source responsibly, to support LCA’s and positive messaging

- Trust in timber
- Transparancy
- Credibility

Thémis: https://timbermarketsurvey.com
Potential impact on tropical forests

Figure 12 Forest area currently and potentially impacted by EU27+UK primary and secondary tropical timber product imports. The bars indicate the estimated lower and upper boundaries for impacted forest area based on the exposure method.
Thank you!

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Scope

Product groups
Please select the product groups that you traded in the reference year. Only selected product groups will appear in the rest of the survey.

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<th>Sawn timber, panels and mouldings</th>
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## Scope

### Product groups
- Sawn timber
- Tropical hardwood
- Uncertified wood

### Group categories
- Import

### Certification Schemes
- Certified sustainable
  - FSC
  - PEFC
- Third party legality verification schemes
  - OLB
- Uncertified wood

### Country of origin
Please specify the purchased volume of sawn timber imported with uncertified wood.

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### Country of harvest
Please select the country or countries in which the wood has been harvested and specify the corresponding volume.

- Cameroon
  - 250 m³

Please specify suppliers and amount.

Names of suppliers...
Dashboarding companies