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Promote transparency of information in the forest sector

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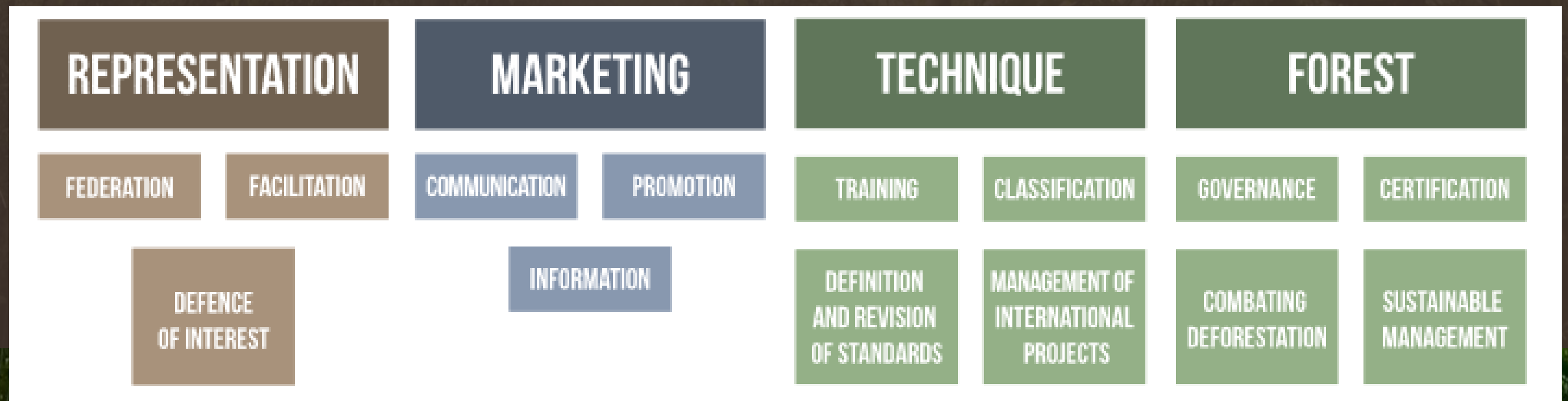
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ATIBT's vocation is to serve the tropical timber industry, from the forests to the end user. ATIBT is:

- a leading technical and scientific authority in tropical timber
- a manager of international programs that support sustainable tropical forest management



Improved forest governance and transparency



Private certification

- Direct benefits



- Indirect benefits



- Contribution to FLEGT Action plan



Electronic traceability tools

- Phase 1: production monitoring and perspectives
- Phase 2: traceability software
- Phase 3: electronic identification, GPS tracking



Clear and commonly applied rules for all companies

1. Improved legislative texts, guidelines and control procedures
2. Real participatory process for finalisation of these texts
3. Review legality grids to become insensible to law changes
Law details (verification references) to be included in TLAS

Recommendations for better governance



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- **Minimise human intervention**
 - To avoid mistakes, unnecessary delays and bribery
- **Advance stepwise when introducing electronic systems**
 - Avoid failure because of complexity
 - Adapt to available infrastructure and resources
 - Continuous learning
- **Start with most urgent or significant problems**

Private sector priorities FLEGT action plan



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- **Clear and commonly applied rules**
 - Improved legislation, guidelines and control procedures
 - Steady legality grids – link governance REDD+
 - Proficient independent observation

- **Stepwise introduction of electronic systems**
 - Avoid mistakes, bribery
 - Raise tax income
 - Speed up controls and delivery of authorisations
 - Make use of private sector initiatives