



## Timber Regulation Enforcement Exchange

October 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Valencia, Spain

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**Hosts:** The meeting will be co-hosted with the Consellera de Agricultura, Medio Ambiente, Cambio Climatico y Desarrollo Rural, in Valencia.

**Background:** Since 2012, Forest Trends and Chatham House have been working with officials from EU Member States and US Lacey enforcement agencies, to further understanding of complex high-risk supply chains for wood products and support coordinated implementation of the EU Timber Regulation and US Lacey Act. These two workstreams have merged into a process called the Timber Regulation Enforcement Exchange (TREE), an ongoing series of networking and information-sharing meetings, which bring the growing group of officials together every six months.

**Objective:** The TREE process aims to support robust and consistent enforcement of demand-side timber regulations by providing a forum for officials to gain detailed insight into high- and low-risk timber flows entering their countries, discuss practical enforcement issues with each other and relevant experts from the forest sector and other relevant product/environmental sectors, establish emergent norms for Due Diligence/care in relation to different forest products, and build relationships with producer country governments, industry representatives, and other stakeholders involved in combating illegal logging and promoting global markets for legal timber.

### DRAFT Agenda

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	
08.30	Coffee and registration
09.00 – 10.00	<b><i>Welcome, aims and introductions</i></b> Sra. Elena Cebrián Consellera de Agricultura, Medio Ambiente, Cambio Climatico y Desarrollo Rural

	Jose Brotons Martinez – EUTR enforcement in Spain: Present and future	
10.00 – 11.00	<b>Timber Regulation Enforcement Exchange</b> Introductory session for new officials	<b>USG Risk Flag database</b>  Shelley Gardner, US Forest Service
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee	
11.30 – 12.30	<b>VPA institutions: information for due diligence and enforcement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clare Brogan, Palladium</li> <li>• Iola Leal, European Forest Institute FLEGT Facility</li> </ul>	
12.30-13.30	Lunch	
13.30 – 17.00	<b>Breakout groups: source country training</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Central African Republic</li> <li>• Liberia</li> <li>• Belarus (tbc)</li> </ul>	
17.00 – 17.30	<b>Myanmar closed session – government officials only</b>	
<b>Evening meeting point to be identified near meeting Venue (self-funded)</b>		
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>		
09.00 – 12.00	<b>Port field trip for Government officials only</b> Please register separately for a place. All participants will be provided with the necessary safety equipment.	
12.00 – 13.30	<b>WRI Open Timber Portal interactive</b> Marie Vallee, World Resources Institute  Introduction to the new Open Timber Portal, an innovative tool to facilitate access to standardized independent forest monitoring information.	
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch	
14.30 – 17.00 (including coffee break at 15.30)	<b>New Furniture processing hubs and trade trends</b> Marigold Norman, Forest Trends <b>India</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rajesh Rawat, Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts</li> </ul>	

	<p><b>Turkey</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker tbc</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday night Group dinner 8pm</b>	
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	
09.00 – 11.00	<p><b>Complex supply chains in focus</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marigold Norman, Forest Trends</li> <li>• Jean Luc Blakey, Global Witness</li> <li>• Jago Wadley, Environmental Investigation Agency</li> <li>• Cristina Santos, Instituto da Conservação da Natureza e das Florestas</li> <li>• Shingo Masuda, Nordic-Baltic coordination group</li> </ul>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee
11.30 – 13.00	<p><b>Enforcement and investigation update: Peru</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melissa Bluesky, Centre for International Environmental Law</li> <li>• Elinor Colborn, US Department of Justice</li> </ul>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.00	<b>Brazil and Peru closed session: government officials only</b>
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee
15.30 – 17.30	<p><b>Closed case training for new agents: government officials only</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest Trends</li> <li>• Netherlands</li> <li>• Czech Republic</li> </ul>