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Stepwise approaches to forest certification in South East Asia

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What is the TFT?

An International membership based Organization

Offices in the UK, Switzerland, Indonesia, Malaysia, Viet Nam, China, Cameroon, Gabon, Brazil & USA

Registered non-profit organization in the UK & US

50 members & growing

62 staff & growing

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What we do...

We help our members

Link their supply chains

To here

Using FSC wood...OR Wood moving toward FSC

From here

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Flow of Process

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    graph TD
      Intro[Introduction] --> Scoping[Scoping Visit]
      Scoping --> Feas{Feasibility}
      Feas -- No --> Stop((Stop))
      Feas -- Yes --> MoU[MoU]
      MoU --> GapAss[Gap Assessment]
      GapAss --> Response{Response}
      Response -- No --> Stop
      Response -- Yes --> CAP[Certification Action Plan]
      CAP --> IntAss[Internal Assessment]
      IntAss --> CorrAct[Corrective Action]
      CorrAct --> FullAss[Full Assessment]
      FullAss -- Complete --> Progress{Progress}
      Progress -- No --> CorrReq[Corrective Action Request]
      CorrReq --> Response
      Progress -- Yes --> AWPlan[Annual Work Plan]
      AWPlan --> Do[Do]
      Do --> MonEval[Monitoring & Evaluation]
      MonEval --> Progress
  
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Certification Action Plan & Annual Work Plan

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    graph TD
      FSC[FSC P&C] --> Basic[Basic Activity]
      Legal[Legality Standard] --> Basic
      Reg[Regulation] --> Basic
      subgraph Basic [Basic Activity]
        Admin[•Administration]
        Plan[•Planning]
        Prod[•Production]
        Env[•Environment]
        Soc[•Social]
      end
      Basic --> GAR[Gap Assessment Report]
      Basic --> CAP[Certification Action Plan]
      Basic --> FAD[Full Assessment Due Date]
      GAR --> CAP
      FAD --> CAP
      CAP --> AWPlan[Annual Work Plan]
      subgraph AWPlan [Annual Work Plan]
        Act[Activity]
        Pri[Priority]
        Tar[Target]
        Sch[Schedule]
        PIC[Person in Charge]
        Bud[Budgeting]
      end
  
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INDOCHINA PROGRAMME

- TFT to support government towards SFM objectives
- Each forest project selected by government
- Cultural and Ecological strategic locations

MAP OF TFT'S PROJECT SITES IN INDOCHINA

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Trung Son, Long Dai Forestry Company
 Quang Binh Province

Status: started 2005



Key Achievements:

- Development of a Forest Management Plan; supported pre-assessment.
- Good support from the local government. Project well-socialized.
- Many Assessments completed: boundary demarcation; forest inventory; EIA; SIA in partnership with GTZ.

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Key Challenges:

Challenges:


- Wood must be processed Provincially
- Staff members of state-owned forest enterprise constantly changing.




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Outlook for 2008:


- Forest Management Plan needs to be approved and implemented on the ground
- Need for dispute resolution mechanism to resolve land allocation
- Helping SFE develop policies and statement on paper to reflect their commitments
- Develop Conservation and HCVF Plans utilizing inventory data
- Conduct Internal Pre-Assessment by TFT; possibly go for FSC audit (or early 2009)



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Lo Ku, Dak Roong, Tram Lap
 Gia Lai Province

- 3 forests all located in Gia Lai. UNDP/GEF funded project for which TFT is a partner. Year 1-2005/06.
- AWP implementation started in 2006.




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Key Achievements


- Training
- Formulating Forest Management Plan; to comply with FSC requirement
- Setting up Document Storage Systems
- Contributing to Biodiversity Conservation



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Challenges:

- Low volumes of wood production
- Slow start up process, v. sensitive areas – culturally and politically
- Government controls progress and priorities.
- Very low wood quota authorized by government, not corresponding to available volume



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Outlook for 2008:

- Getting commitment of FMU
- Boundary Demarcation
- Land use Planning
- Formulating the FMP complied with FSC requirements
- Training on RIL



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Lao PDR

- Teak Plantation
 - Luang Prabang
 - Group Certification

- Natural Forests
 - Khammoune, Savanakheth
 - CoC systems
 - and market linkages



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