



One Forest Summit

Ministerial Session – March 1, 2023 – 3:00 to 4:30pm

Workshop on traceability, the key to sustainability

Tools for traceability and challenges of European regulation

Objective

The topic of traceability is becoming increasingly important in the global discourse on sustainability and responsible forestry practices. This workshop will address the main challenges for traceability, as well as the key role it plays for environmental sustainability, social responsibility, market access and brand reputation in the field of forestry. Indeed, traceability is crucial to ensure that timber products are sustainably sourced, which means they originate from well-managed forests that have undergone responsible forestry practices. Traceability is also important for ensuring that the rights of local communities are respected, as they often rely on forests for their livelihoods. Furthermore, legislation that require strict traceability, such as the recent European regulation, raises the question of market access and compliance to ambitious norms.

This workshop will bring together experts and will showcase innovative tools for traceability, highlighting the need for responsible forestry practices to promote sustainable development and ensure the long-term viability of the global forestry sector.

Speakers

Chair:

- Bettina HOFFMANN, Secretary of State, Germany

Moderator : Dr Jeremie MBAIRAMADJI, Forestry officer for Central Africa, FAO

Panelists:

- Thomas SEMBRES, Expert, European Forest Institute (EFI)
- Artémis LLAMOSI, Chief Technical Officer, Inarix
- Jean-François CHEVALIER, Manager of TRACER Nkok, Forest Ressources Management (FRM)
- Bobby BYLL, Chief Executive Officer, SGS
- Astrid LADEFOGED, cheffe d'unité « Sustainable Development Goals, Green Finances & Economic Analysis », Direction générale Environnement, Commission européenne
- Achille DJEAGOU, Congo Basin Coordinator / Open Timber Portal, WRI
- Wendy CARRARA, Senior manager, Airbus Defence and Space

Outline

1. **Opening remarks** (10 min)

- Bettina HOFFMANN, Secretary of State, Germany

2. **Setting the scene** (5 min)

- Dr Jeremie MBAIRAMADJI, Forestry officer for Central Africa, FAO

Highlighting the interest and challenges of traceability. Norms and legislation to comply with.

3. **EU regulation and traceability in the forest sector and others** (10 min)

- Astrid LADEFOGED, cheffe d'unité « Sustainable Development Goals, Green Finances & Economic Analysis », Direction générale Environnement, Commission européenne

Challenges of implementing traceability. How the EU regulations could tackle these challenges in forest sector and others. How do these regulations contribute to improve environmental sustainability, social responsibility, market access?

4. **How does the supply chain transparency contribute to enhance traceability?** (6 min)

- Thomas SEMBRES, expert, European Forest Institute (EFI)

Link between supply chain transparency and traceability and how it could contribute to sustainability in the forest sector or others and help compliance with EU regulations.

5. **Inarix as innovative solution to trace seeds and improve traceability in the forest sector and others** (6 min)

- Artémis LLAMOSI, Chief Technical Officer, Inarix

Added value of Inarix and how this tool could enhance sustainability in the forest sector and help compliance with EU regulations.

6. **Open timber portal as geolocation tool to improve traceability in the forest sector and others** (6 min)

- Achille DJEAGOU, Congo Basin Coordinator / Open Timber Portal, WRI

Added value of Open timber portal. Link between Open timber portal and traceability to forest sector and how this tool could enhance sustainability in the forest sector and help compliance with EU regulations.

7. **TRACER-Nkok systems as tools to improve traceability in the forest sector and others** (6 min)

- Jean-François CHEVALIER, Manager of TRACER Nkok, Forest Ressources Management (FRM)

Added value of TRACER -Nkok systems. Link between TRACER-Nkok systems and traceability

to forest sector and how this tool could enhance sustainability in the forest sector and help compliance with EU regulations.

8. Traceability tools of Airbus Defense and Space (6 min)

- Wendy CARRARA, Senior manager, Airbus Defence and Space

9. Questions of the audience (30 min)

10. Closing remarks (5 min)