

EU Timber Regulation and FLEGT Regulation Fitness Check

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Introduction

Description

The **EU Timber Regulation (EUTR)**, laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the EU market, and the **Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT) Regulation** require that the Commission, based on Member States' reporting and experience with their application, reports on their implementation and review their functioning and effectiveness. Based on the Better Regulation Guidelines, a common fitness check will, therefore, evaluate the functioning of the two regulations and assess whether these interventions are fit for purpose, by measuring their performance with respect to their common policy objectives.

This public consultation invites citizens, businesses and other organisations to contribute to the broader fitness check evaluation of the EUTR and FLEGT Regulation. The fitness check will evaluate the functioning of the two regulations and assess whether the interventions are fit for purpose, by measuring their performance with respect to their common policy objectives.

Background

Illegal logging has a devastating impact on the world's forests, including some of the most bio-diverse and valuable ones, on indigenous people and the people who depend on them and rely on the resources that forests provide.

The EU is one of the largest consumers of timber and timber products in the world and is engaged in fighting illegal logging. EU companies and governments that buy timber and timber products risk having a significant impact on illegal logging. If they buy illegal timber, they create profitable markets for illegal loggers and undermine efforts to enforce forest law in timber-exporting countries.

In 2003 the EU published the **Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT) Action Plan**, setting out a range of measures available to the EU and its Member States to tackle illegal logging in the world's forests.

The **EU Timber Regulation (EUTR)**, laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the EU market, and the **Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT)**

Regulation, setting up a licensing scheme for imports of timber into the EU, are part of the EU FLEGT Action Plan. [Both instruments are designed to work in a complementary way by addressing, respectively, the supply and the demand side of timber trade.](#)

The **EU Timber Regulation** aims at fighting illegal logging by prohibiting operators in Europe from placing illegally harvested timber and timber products on the EU market. The Regulation was adopted in 2010. In 2012, the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU No 607/2012) and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU No 363/2012) were adopted. The EUTR came into force on 3 March 2013. From that date, EU operators who place timber and timber products on the EU market for the first time are required to exercise due diligence to ensure negligible risk of illegally harvested timber is being placed on the EU market. The legislation applies to a wide range of timber and timber products (listed in an annex of the EUTR Regulation).

The EUTR is implemented by competent authorities in each EU Member State (and, since 2015 in the [European Economic Area](#)) and overall co-ordination is carried out by the European Commission, with the help of the EUTR/FLEGT Expert Group. For more information on the EUTR, please visit the [European Commission website](#).

Timber accompanied by a valid FLEGT license or a CITES Permit (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) is considered to comply with the EUTR.

The **FLEGT Regulation** (Regulation (EC) No 2173/2005) adopted in 2005, sets out the establishment of a licensing scheme for imports of timber and timber products into the EU and to be implemented through Voluntary Partnership Agreements (VPAs) with timber exporting countries. In 2008, the Implementing Regulation (Commission Regulation (EC) 1024/2008) was adopted, allowing the control of the entry of timber to the EU from countries entering into bilateral FLEGT VPAs with the EU.

Once agreed, the VPAs include commitments and action from both parties to halt trade in illegal timber and timber products, notably with a licensing scheme (FLEGT licensing scheme) at the partner country and the issuance of FLEGT licences that certify the legality of timber and timber products exported to the EU. To issue FLEGT licences, a VPA partner country must implement a timber legality assurance system (TLAS) and other measures specified in the VPA. When fully operational, a TLAS includes effective supply chain controls, mechanisms for verifying compliance and is subject to independent audits. After more than 15 years of negotiations with 15 countries, Indonesia is still the only country issuing FLEGT licences (since 15 November 2016). VPAs have been ratified with Ghana, Republic of Congo, Cameroon, the Central African Republic, Liberia and Vietnam; however, none of these countries is ready to start issuing FLEGT licences. The EU has concluded negotiations and initialled the VPA with Honduras and Guyana. Negotiations are ongoing with the Democratic Republic of Congo, Gabon, Laos, Malaysia and Thailand.

For more information on the FLEGT Regulation, please visit the [European Commission website](#).

Overview of the survey and survey guidelines

This public consultation consists of some introductory questions related to the respondent's profile, followed by a questionnaire split into two parts.

Please note that you can choose to fill in only one part of the questionnaire. Also, not all questions need to be answered. All questions include an “I do not know/not relevant” that you can use if appropriate.

The **first part of the questionnaire** aims to gather views and information from all citizens and organisations interested in the topic of illegal logging and related EU Regulations.

The **second part of the questionnaire** is more technical and focuses on citizens and organisations with in-depth knowledge about the EUTR and FLEGT Regulation.

At the end of the questionnaire, you are invited to provide any additional comments or elaborate on relevant issues that have not been addressed by the questions, as well as, to provide any general feedback that you may have on the survey itself.

You are invited to respond to the best of your abilities or knowledge of the topic. Please use open fields only if there is information to be added that is strictly relevant to the related question.

The results of the questionnaire will be published online. Please read the specific privacy statement attached to this consultation informing on how personal data and contributions will be dealt with.

In the interest of transparency, if you are replying on behalf of an organisation, please register with the register of interest representatives if you have not already done so. Registering commits you to comply with a Code of Conduct. If you do not wish to register, your organisation’s contribution will be treated and published together with those received from individuals.

The survey will be available online for 15 weeks. The results will be aggregated and published on the consultation page.

Your opinion matters to us! Thank you very much for taking the time to contribute to this consultation.

About you

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- Gaelic
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- Greek
- Hungarian
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- Spanish
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* I am giving my contribution as

- Academic/research institution
- Business association
- Company/business organisation
- Consumer organisation
- EU citizen
- Environmental organisation
- Non-EU citizen
- Non-governmental organisation (NGO)
- Public authority
- Trade union
- Other

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Please add your country of origin, or that of your organisation.

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- Myanmar /Burma
- Namibia
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* Organisation name

255 character(s) maximum

European Panel Federation

* Organisation size

- Micro (1 to 9 employees)
- Small (10 to 49 employees)
- Medium (50 to 249 employees)
- Large (250 or more)

Transparency register number

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Check if your organisation is on the [transparency register](#). It's a voluntary database for organisations seeking to influence EU decision-making.

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Is your organisation active in a timber or timber products related sector?

- Yes
- No

If so, please specify your area of interest/activity:

You can select more than one area.

- Forestry (forest companies, logging operators, forest services)
- Forest owners
- Wood-processing industry (sawmill industry, wood-based panel industry, other roundwood processing industries, etc.)
- Wood manufacturing industry (wood construction industry, furniture industry, wood-other wood manufacturing industry, etc.)
- 'Operator' as defined by the EUTR (i.e. placing timber and timber products on the EU market for the first time)
- 'Trader' as defined by the EUTR
- Import and Trade (wood, solid biofuel, etc.)
- Retail
- Transportation and Logistics (e.g. transporter/handler of internationally traded goods)
- Pulp and paper industry
- Other wood-based industry (e.g. wood energy use)
- Non-timber forest products (NTFPs) and services
- Environmental NGOs
- Consumers' associations
- Ecotourism operators
- Forest- or wood-related institutions in the EU or EFTA (e.g. government agencies, regional or local institutions)
- Forest- or wood-related institutions in the VPA partner Countries (government agencies, regional or local institutions)
- Forest- or wood-related institutions in other third (non VPA) countries (government agencies, regional or local institutions)
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Competent Authorities designated by EUTR Member States (EUTR and FLEGT Regulation)

- Monitoring organisation (EUTR)
- EU Customs
- Concession holders (mining, agriculture, hydropower, etc.)
- Research and Educational Institutions
- Other (please specify)

If you are [an operator as defined by the EUTR] / [if you are responsible for placing timber and timber products on the EU market for the first time], when did you implement a due diligence system?

- Before 3 March 2013
- After 3 March 2013
- I do not know
- Due diligence system has not been implemented

What is the (average) number of suppliers of timber or timber products you rely on?

- More than 50
- 11-50
- 1-20
- I do not know

Indicate the country of harvest of your timber and timber products supply:

Respond only to those countries that apply.

	1-20% of supply	21-40% of supply	41-60% of supply	61-80% of supply	81-100% of supply	Not my supply source	I do not know
EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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United Kingdom	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How do you rate your level of knowledge of the following?

	Excellent knowledge/ understanding	Good knowledge/ understanding	Some knowledge/ understanding	Little knowledge/ understanding	None
Illegal logging and associated trade	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EUTR	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Anonymous

Only your type of respondent, country of origin and contribution will be published. All other personal details (name, organisation name and size, transparency register number) will not be published.

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Your personal details (name, organisation name and size, transparency register number, country of origin) will be published with your contribution.

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Part I: General public questionnaire

This section of the questionnaire is for all respondents who would like to express their opinion in regard to the EUTR and FLEGT Regulations. This section is intended for response by anyone, covering both those who are and are not actively involved in the implementation of these Regulations.

1. Illegal logging and related trade is the harvesting, processing, transporting, buying or selling of timber in contravention of national and international laws. To what extent, in your opinion, have the implementation of the EUTR and FLEGT Regulation contributed to reducing illegal logging and associated trade? Please provide an assessment of their performance both separately and working in combination.

	Very significantly	Significantly	Moderately	Slightly	Not at all	Negative impact	I do not know
EUTR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EUTR and FLEGT combined	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. To what degree do you agree that illegal logging continues to be a problem requiring EU action?

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree
- I do not know

3. In your opinion, to what extent has the implementation of the regulations (both separately and in combination) contributed to minimising the risk of illegally harvested timber and timber products being placed on the EU market?

	Very significantly	Significantly	Moderately	Slightly	Not at all	I do not know
EUTR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EUTR and FLEGT Regulation combined	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. In your opinion, to what extent have the EUTR and the FLEGT Regulation contributed to improvements in the following areas?

	Very significantly	Significantly	Moderately	Slightly	Not at all	I do not know
Traceability of timber and timber products	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Co-operation and information exchange between the Member States and the European Commission around the legality of timber and timber products	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consumer confidence in the EU timber market	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Governance and enforcement of forest law in countries exporting to the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Cooperation with civil society and the private sector in countries exporting to the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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5. In your opinion, to what extent have the below listed issues been a challenge for the implementation and enforcement of the EUTR?

	Very significant	Significant	Moderate	Slight	Not at all	I do not know
Incomplete scope of timber products covered	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unclear or incomplete definitions (e.g. lack of a definition for 'recycled' inputs to products, use of the term 'timber' instead of 'wood')	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Difficulties in identifying, checking compliance and undertaking enforcement actions on operators based outside the EU	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ineffective implementation and enforcement by Member States	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Insufficiently dissuasive enforcement measures (e.g. level of fines, penalties, ability to seize goods etc), as set in national legislation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Elements of the Regulations have not been appropriately transposed into Member States' national legislation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Lack of resources at the Competent Authorities to undertake compliance checks and/or follow-up on enforcement actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of knowledge and sufficient skills among the relevant authorities to undertake compliance checks and/or follow-up on enforcement actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of checks on traders	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Changes in operator identity (change in company name, owner and/or creation of a new company to evade enforcement actions)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Difficulties in achieving successful prosecutions where enforcement actions have not been complied with (low number of successful court cases; inoperability of the due diligence concept in national legal systems)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Low awareness of EUTR due diligence requirements among operators	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Due diligence requirements on operators are unclear or ambiguous	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Information and documents necessary to fulfil due diligence requirements are difficult, expensive or not possible to collect (e.g. to identify species or region of origin)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Where information is available, it is of varying quality and open to the influence of corruption. Verification of the validity of information is difficult	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The consequence and what action to take in the case of non-negligible risk is unclear	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
No willingness by operators to change from risk suppliers and high-risk countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Actions to mitigate non-negligible risk are prohibitively expensive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of coordination or sharing of information between entities in different EU Member States' national governments	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of coordination or sharing of information between authorities, customs, police, etc within Member States	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of information for competent authorities on traders and operators acting within their Member State	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Lack of consistency between Member States in terms of severity of enforcement measures (e.g. levels of fines, etc)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Monitoring organisations are not operating as intended	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of clarity on which Member State is responsible for checks and enforcement in case of indirect trade routes (where trade destined for one Member State enters the EU via another Member State)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Making the role and obligations of traders and transporters more explicit (e.g. existing wording not strong enough to address known issues like operators continuing to trade in non-negligible risk timber by becoming a trader rather than an operator)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The role of certification schemes and third-party verification in contributing to Due Diligence Systems	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If other, please specify

300 character(s) maximum

There is a distinction to be made between companies that import large volumes who usually have a better DDS in place and smaller companies that often don't have the resources to set up and maintain a good DDS. However, the smaller the volumes the less likely they are to be controlled.

6. In your opinion, to what extent have the below listed issues been a positive consequence of the EUTR?

	Very significant	Significant	Moderate	Slight	Not at all	I do not know
Increased awareness of the problem of illegal logging	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other main consumer countries followed the EU example	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increased investment in clean and transparent supply chains	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Producing countries increased reforms to achieve higher levels of transparency	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tackling illegal logging within the EU was strengthened	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. In your opinion, to what extent have the below listed issues been a challenge for the implementation and enforcement of the FLEGT Regulation?

	Very significant	Significant	Moderate	Slight	Not at all	I do not know
Main EU trade partners not covered by Voluntary Partnership Agreements (VPAs)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Only one VPA country with a functioning system after more than 15 years of negotiation	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Time and cost required to negotiate VPAs	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Time and cost required to establish and implement the FLEGT Regulation within the EU, considering the proportion of imported timber covered by the licencing scheme	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Demand-led approach to negotiating VPAs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
VPA Timber Legality Assurance Systems (TLASs) are too complex for producing countries with weak institutions	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
VPA TLASs contribute to EUTR compliance only once FLEGT licencing starts (before that, the EUTR compliance of VPA countries is not different from other countries of the same risk category)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ineffective implementation and / or enforcement of FLEGT procedures in VPA partner countries	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Level of corruption in VPA countries	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Lack of co-operation between FLEGT Regulation competent authorities and customs	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ineffective procedures in partner countries to challenge problematic licencing cases	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Different interpretation of HS codes between EU and partner countries	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of use of the FLEGIT /TRACES system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of coherence between obligations under the FLEGT Regulation and the EUTR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of complete, correct, timely reporting on the FLEGT Regulation implementation by EU Member States	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If other, please specify

300 character(s) maximum

There is a need to enhance promotion of FLEGT by the Commission and national authorities.

8. In your opinion, to what extent have the below listed issues been a positive consequence of the FLEGT Regulation?

	Very significant	Significant	Moderate	Slight	Not at all	I do not know
Increased awareness of the problem of illegal logging	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Producing countries increased reforms to achieve higher levels of transparency	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other main consumer countries followed the EU example	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Considerable proportion of EU timber and timber product imports is covered by FLEGT licences	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increased investment in clean supply chains	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Stakeholders participation in reforms and decision-making processes in producing country increased	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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9. To what extent do you agree that the costs of implementation of the FLEGT Regulation and the EUTR vary for businesses and authorities across the Member States?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I do not know
EUTR - businesses	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EUTR - authorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation - businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation - authorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. To what extent do you agree that the costs of implementation of the FLEGT Regulation and the EUTR are high for businesses and authorities in third countries?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I do not know
EUTR - businesses	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EUTR - authorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation - businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
FLEGT Regulation - authorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

11. To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I do not know
FLEGT licences reduce the costs associated with due diligence requirements under the EUTR for EU operators	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FLEGT licences increase the costs to comply with a functioning Timber Legality Assurance System	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

(TLAS) for exporters from VPA licencing countries						
For the time being, FLEGT licences cover EU imports from only one VPA country. This does not reduce the costs associated with due diligence requirements under the EUTR for EU operators as regards imports of timber and timber products from all other countries	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. To what extent do you consider that the implementation of these regulations impose a different level of administrative burden on different [types of businesses](#)? Please rank the administrative burden imposed on different business types.

According to [CEPS \(2013\)](#), ‘administrative burdens’ are those costs borne by businesses, citizens, civil society organizations and public authorities as a result of administrative activities performed to comply with information obligations included in legal rules. More specifically, administrative burdens are the part of administrative costs which is caused by regulatory requirements: accordingly, they do not include so-called “BAU costs”, i.e. costs that would emerge also in absence of regulation.

	High level of burden due to EUTR	Low level of burden due to EUTR	High level of burden due to FLEGT Regulation	Low level of burden due to FLEGT Regulation
EU micro businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EU small businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EU medium businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EU large businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Non-EU businesses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

13. In your opinion, to what extent has the EUTR impacted the administrative burden?

	Did not change (0-5%)	Increased by >50%	Increase by 25-50%	Increased by 10-25%	Increased by 5-10%	Reduced	I do not know
EU micro businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU small businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU medium businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU large businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-EU businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. In your opinion, to what extent has the FLEGT Regulation impacted the administrative burden?

	Did not change (0-5%)	Increased by >50%	Increase by 25-50%	Increased by 10-25%	Increased by 5-10%	Reduced	I do not know
EU micro businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU small businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU medium businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
EU large businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-EU micro businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Non-EU small businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Non-EU medium businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Non-EU large businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

15. Are there any elements of the Regulations that create an unnecessary administrative burden? What changes could be made to reduce this burden without compromising the achievement of the objectives of the Regulations?

350 character(s) maximum

EPF believes that 3rd party certification systems should be favored.

16. In your opinion, to what extent are the EUTR and the FLEGT Regulation coherent with other EU policy in the following areas?

	No coherence	Low coherence	Moderate coherence	High coherence	I do not know
European Green Deal Objectives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Biodiversity policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Forestry policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Agriculture policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Circular economy policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Climate change policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trade policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wildlife trade policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Environmental crime	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Energy policy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Investment policy (particularly the EU Taxonomy for Green Investments)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. In your opinion, to what extent are the EUTR and the FLEGT Regulation coherent with international laws and policy objectives?

	No coherence	Low coherence	Moderate coherence	High coherence	I do not know
Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
International standardisation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
UNFCCC REDD+ (Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
World Trade Organisation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Potential progress towards a non-legally binding instrument on forests via the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Developments relating to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
World monitoring for SDGs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

18. To what extent do you agree that action to tackle illegal logging and reduce the presence of illegal timber in the EU needs to be taken at EU level (i.e. the issue cannot sufficiently be solved by action at individual Member State level)?

- I strongly agree
- I somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- I somewhat disagree
- I strongly disagree
- I do not know

19. To what extent do you agree that a FLEGT license:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I do not know
Is easier to obtain compared to private sector certification and verification (such as FSC, PEFC, etc.)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is less costly to obtain compared to private sector certification and verification?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Is more credible in ensuring timber legality compared to private sector certification and verification?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Results in more positive consumer perception than private sector certification and verification?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. Do you wish to complete Part II of the questionnaire with more technical questions?

- Yes
- No

Part III: Final questions (for both EUTR and FLEGT Regulation)

58. If you wish to expand on any of your answers or if you wish to add comments or information on anything else, which is relevant to the Fitness Check please do so in the box below.

550 character(s) maximum

59. If there are materials/publications available online that should be considered in relation to this evaluation exercise please feel free to describe them (title and author) in the box below and include any relevant links.

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60. If you wish to attach a file with relevant evidence, a position paper or other material to your submission, please upload your file here.

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