

Case study programme



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Do you have risks in your supply chain?

TIMBER is a fantastic material that serves many important purposes in our everyday lives. Unfortunately, it is estimated that 10-30% of global timber trade comes from illegal sources¹. That is a threat to the future supply for your business, to biodiversity, environment, climate and people working with forests around the world.

The EU Timber Regulation (EUTR) prohibits you from placing illegal timber or products containing illegal timber on the EU market. However, this is **easier said than done**.

Assuring access to information, conducting risk assessments and mitigating risks are all part of a due diligence system that you must have in place to be in compliance with the EUTR requirements.

Whether this is new to you, or you have extensive experience

with the EUTR and controlling risks, the opening of a new case study programme might be valuable to you:



The programme is part of a new EU-project run by NEPCon, where companies like yours, can have your supply chain scrutinised for potential risks by forest legality experts - free of charge.

The programme offers you support in supply chain mapping, understanding EUTR requirements, how to conduct risk assessments and how to effectively minimise risks of illegal timber entering your supply chain.

What we ask in return is that you share your experience with the project, so we can develop better tools and guidance for companies like yours.

1. UNEP/Interpol, 2014

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Getting started

- * Introductions
- * Define scope of work
- * Sign non-disclosure agreement

2

Developing your action plan

- * Develop detailed action plan
- * Introduction training—to get you started with your action plan

3

Conducting due diligence

- * Use assigned tools to conduct due diligence
- * Support from project experts via phone and online

4

Evaluating progress

- * Review due diligence actions undertaken and progress made
- * Feedback on the tools

Join the programme

Get free risk assessment and due diligence support on a selected scope of your supply chain from forest legality experts through a four-phased programme.

Share your case study experience via interviews, articles and training videos.

A non-disclosure agreement will make sure that no sensitive information about your supply chain will be used.



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About the project

The joint project *[Supporting Legal Timber Trade](#)* funded by the LIFE Programme of the European Union and UK Aid, aims at supporting SMEs working in timber related industries to comply with the EU Timber Regulation.

An important step in this process is to provide detailed risk data on timber exporting countries for companies who are assessing risks of illegal timber entering their supply chain. Therefore, the project's forest legality experts have developed 40 national risk assessments on top of 25 existing, totalling **national risk assessments for 65 timber-producing countries**. This means that the vast majority of all timber imported into the EU will be covered by national risk assessments, free to access by companies.

Even so, due diligence can be a difficult and overwhelming task for many companies. Therefore, the project offers **free one-day training sessions** where forest legality experts disclose how to use this sophisticated risk data when doing risk assessments and how to set up due diligence systems for specific supply chains. All tools, guidance and risk data will be gathered on a new online platform, free to use for anyone.

Ultimately, the project aims at investigating how solid due diligence systems may produce business opportunities that benefit market positioning and supply chain efficiency for companies working with timber related products. The project offers support and training in: Denmark, Poland, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, Portugal, Romania, Hungary, Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia.

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