

# FLEGT & UK Procurement

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# FLEGT Recognised in UK TPP

## Category A Evidence

The TPP requires either **Category A** or **Category B evidence**. Category A is the simplest way to comply as it requires:

- Documentary evidence of full PEFC or FSC® Chain of Custody certification or,
- Timber that carries a **FLEGT** (Forest Law Enforcement, Governance, and Trade) licence

[Click here for information on FLEGT](#)

[Click here for information on FLEGT VPA \(Voluntary Partnership Agreement\) licensed countries](#)

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- UK Timber Procurement recognises FLEGT
- Schemes include: FSC, PEFC, FLEGT
- TTF Includes FLEGT in all Architect CPD Procurement Training

# Licences limited to one country and few products



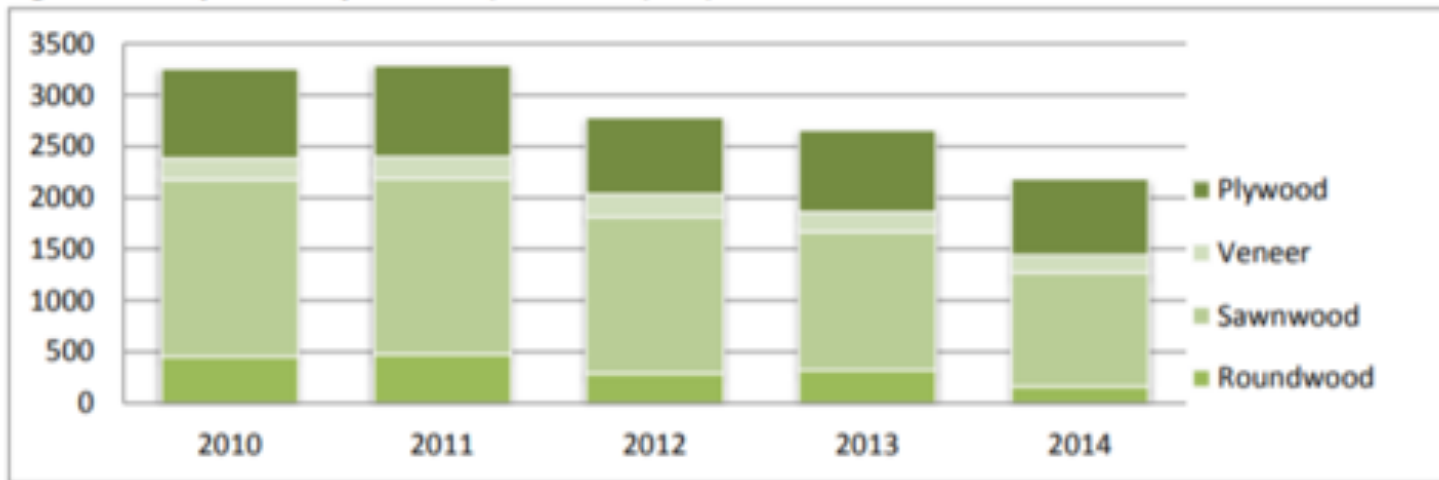
# FLEGT – No Logo

- FLEGT has no visible presence
- All other schemes operate as private companies, they sell a service so invest in marketing
- FLEGT is public funded....has no customer facing investment!



# Tropical decline – Help Needed!

**Figure 1: EU imports of tropical timber, 2010-2014, in 1,000m3**



Source: ITTO (2015)

Figure 2 shows combined import data on the 4 major primary timber products for each country. For example, the total figure for France is made up of 60% sawn wood, 20% plywood, 10% round wood and 10% veneer. The corresponding figures for Belgium are 75% sawn wood, 10% plywood, 5% round wood and 10% veneer; for the UK 45% sawn wood, 55% plywood and 5% veneer; and for the Netherlands 50% sawn wood, 40% plywood and 10% veneer.

# More countries, more awareness?

## VPA countries in the world



**■ Implementing**

Cameroon, Central African Republic, Ghana, Indonesia, Liberia, Republic of the Congo

**■ Negotiating**

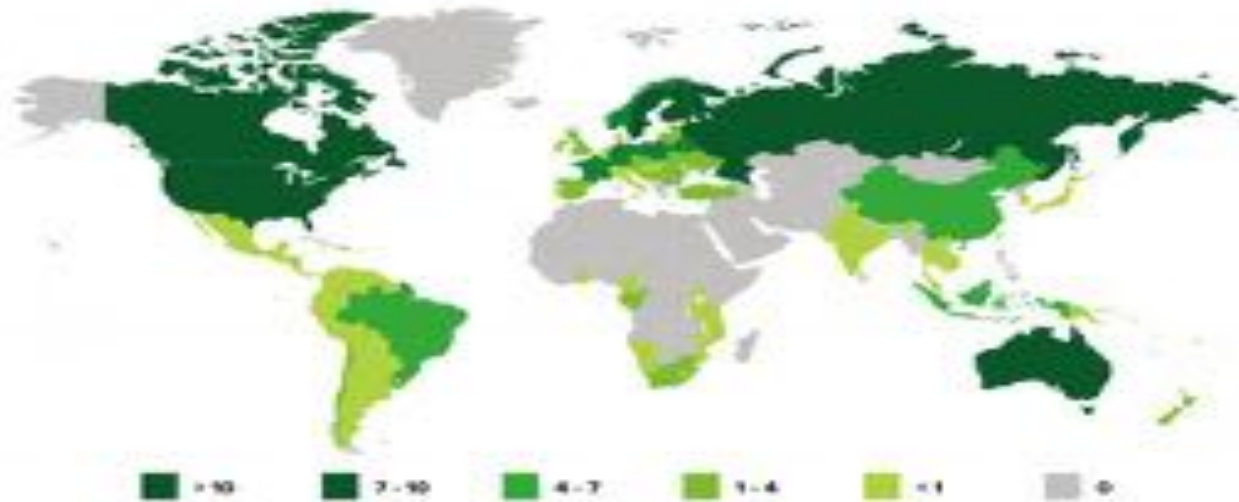
Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Guyana, Honduras, Laos, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam



# FLEGT game changer in SFM debate?

## Certification Not Working...

- In 1996 appx 10% of the world's forests were certified
- In 2016 appx 11% of the world's forests were certified







Introduction



Forest Legality & Sustainability



Certification



Legal & UK Govt Requirements



Specifying Sustainable Timber



Self-assessment



# Summary

- FLEGT legally recognised in UK procurement
- FLEGT Awareness will grow as VPA product list grows
- FLEGT has potential to be game changer in SFM debate; **Certification is not working for tropical countries!**
- Timber industry should support development and roll out of FLEGT!



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