Global Timber Forum

The International Timber Industry Discussion & Networking Platform

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Day 1: Securing the future of forest resources and legal trade
Day 2: Responsible timber trade: a vision for the future
Objectives

- Provide a conduit for global information exchange on timber trade & industry approaches on responsible timber trade

- Facilitate co-ordination and collaboration between GTF members and expert organisations

- Discuss and promote the development of greater international consistency on policies and legislation affecting the sector

- Build capacity and networking between member organisations through group communication, and develop projects linked to existing programmes like EU-FAO FLEGT

- Identify and share best practices between GTF members and other stakeholders
Participants

- 80 timber trade associations from 40 countries
- gathered private sector experience on implementing emerging anti-illegal timber trade regulations, green building, wood promotion...
- Formal launch of Global Timber Forum as information exchange platform
- Commitment Charter, Secretariat, Advisory Board, Regional Leaders
- Facilitation and participatory approach in adopting timber trade regulations, advocacy, capacity development for responsible timber trade
Recommended follow-up

- GTF communication and media strategy
- Seek to find consistency between legality definitions, e.g. FLEGT VPA legality grid
- Share best practices and experiences in implementing new timber trade regulations (EUTR, Lacey Act, Australian Illegal Logging Prohibition, etc.)
- Address the fragmentation of due diligence through harmonization of requirements
- Support better global collaboration between wood promotion programs
- Establish “rallying points” for timber use in green building (LCA, energy and CO₂)
Exhibition

- Certification of sustainable timber buildings
- Trento Province research institutes and a research consortium for international projects on forest-wood chain
- Wood architecture, CLT, earthquake resistance, wooden building research
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