

**The 6th EU-China Bilateral Coordination Mechanism (BCM) on Forest Law
Enforcement and Governance
2015 Workplan**

Item 1 To follow-up on the “International Workshop to Promote Legal and Sustainable Timber Trade Between China and Russia” held in Feb 2014, to analyse the circulation and processing in China of timber harvested in the Russian Far East until the point of export to the EU, and organize a seminar at appropriate time of 2015 to discuss and follow up its primary outcomes.

Item 2 To conduct the study on the timber trade flow between China and Myanmar while considering EU initiatives in Myanmar in the context of FLEGT, and organize workshops in China and Myanmar at appropriate time to discuss and share the study results.

Item 3 To conduct the desk review on timber trade and investment between China and VPA signatory countries, organize a workshop with APFNet on forest law enforcement and governance in Mekong region, and work with IIED, Beijing Forestry University (BFU), Chinese State Academy of Forestry Administration (STAFSA) to promote the dialogues between China and Africa /Asia VPA countries on timber trade, investment and forest law enforcement and governance.

Item 4 To support the operations of the Common Information Window on EU FLEGT, EUTR and other new timber market requirements, and source for Chinese-English translation to have a bilingual Common Information Window package.

Item 5 To work with Chinese Academy of Forestry and other partners to conduct a feasibility analysis on public policy development of promoting legally sourced timber and timber products trade based on which, small-scale experts' discussion panel/meetings will be carried out with decision-makers and representatives from MOFCOM, Customs, other related government agencies, think tanks and businesses respectively;

Item 6 To provide technical inputs to the new Chinese forest trade and investment guideline which is under modification currently as well as Chinese timber legality verification initiatives, including organizing a small-scale technical workshop on the Chinese Timber Legality Verification initiatives and its relations with other governmental and business initiatives on timber legality requirements. Collaborate with CAF and DFID's INFIT project to promote the development of evaluation mechanisms for guidelines implementation and work with the CAF on communication in VPA countries.

Item 7 To support capacity building for key stakeholders, including the participation of 3 Chinese representatives at the 2015 Wolverhampton University's forestry governance course at the Centre for International Development & Training (CIDT), and continue to support Chinese participants to regional and international FLEGT relevant event and invite international experts to contribute to relevant events in China