IDN – EU FLEGT VPA IMPLEMENTATION

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The 5th Sub-Regional Training Workshop on Timber Legality Assurance
Santika Hotel, 6 - 8 December 2016
Indonesia meets final requirement for FLEGT licensing

The Presidents of Indonesia, the European Commission and the European Council today confirmed that Indonesia has met the final major requirements of its Voluntary Partnership Agreement (VPA) with the EU and is on course to become the world’s first country to issue FLEGT licences.

Brussels, 21 April 2016

Photo: Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the EC, receives Joko Widodo, President of Indonesia. Credit: EC
IDN and EU Follow up Actions

IDN Follow up Action:
- Statements from 4 Ministers: Foreign Affairs, Environment and Forestry, Trade and Industry (12 May 2016)
- the 4th JIC Meeting (18 May 2016)

EU Follow up Actions:

- 15 August 2016: the no objection on EU Commission Delegated Regulation issued
- Start from 15 August -3 months Preparation to start FLEGT License full implementation
- Competent Authorities

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amending Annexes I and III to Council Regulation (EC) No 2173/2005 following a Voluntary Partnership Agreement with Indonesia for a FLEGT licensing scheme for imports of timber into the European Union
Decision No 1/2016 of the Joint Implementation Committee set up by the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and the Republic of Indonesia, of the other part, of 15 September 2016 concerning the start date of the Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT) licensing scheme

THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Indonesia (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Agreement’), which following ratification by the Parties entered into force on 1 May 2011,

Whereas:

a) The Agreement provides in Article 14, paragraph 2, that the Joint Implementation Committee shall agree on the date from which the FLEGT VPA is deemed to be operating after an evaluation of the functioning of the Transparency Log Import Audit System (TLAS) on the basis of the criteria set out in Annex VIII to the Agreement.

b) A joint independent assessment of the Indonesian TLAS was carried out in 2015 and concluded that the system is fit for purpose.

Consequently,

The Joint Implementation Committee, having taken note of the assessment, hereby agrees that the FLEGT VPA is deemed to be operating as from 1 November 2016.
Acceptance of Indonesia FLEGT License for Timber Products of by Minister of Foreign Affairs Brussels, 30 November 2016

First Shipment using FLEGT Licence to Antwerp 15 November 2016

First Trial Shipment Timber Export to Antwerp using V-legal, 23 October 2012

FLEGT License Celebration 24 November 2016
INDONESIA - EU FLEGT VPA PROCESS

Negotiation Started March 2007

Signing FLEGT-VPA 30 September 2013

Ratification by IDN-March 2014; Ratification by EU-April 2014; Entry into Force-May 2014

Go Alive 15 November 2016

1st FLEGT License Certificate Celebration

Joint Statement: MoF - Commissioner on Environment, Commission, 8 Jan 2007

International Cooperation in Combating Illegal Logging and Trade - 2002
Facilitated by Joint Implementation Committee (JIC) Secretariat
JWG and JEM Meeting toward Implementation

JWG IDN-EU Meeting (9 x):
- 13 February 2015
- 24 March 2015
- 30 April 2015
- 27 May 2015
- 30 June 2015
- 18 September 2015
- 22 November 2015
- 27 January 2016
- 21 July 2016

JEM IDN-EU Meeting (7x):
- 17 November 2014
- 29 January 2015
- 26 March 2015
- 7 May 2015
- 3 July 2015
- 22 September 2015
- 2 February 2016
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JIC Meeting Result

The 1st JIC
24 September 2014
- Discussed the Draft RoP and RoA
- Agreed on JIC Secretariat
- Agreed on 2nd Joint Assessment Report --- Action Plan
- Joint Communication – Friendly Email
- Agreed to start working on Independent Market Monitoring (ITTO)

The 2nd JIC
15 February 2015
- Discussed the Draft RoP and RoA
- Agreed on Joint Working Group to assess the Action Plan
- Joint Communication – Press Release
- Acknowledged of Monitoring and Evaluation: Impact Monitoring Designed, PE, IMM

The 3rd JIC
8 July 2015
1. Rules of Procedure and Rules of Arbitration Signed
2. Annex VPA Revision Signed (based on SVLK Revision)
3. Acknowledged the Action Plan Progress Report
4. Joint Communication – Signed the 1st Annual Report IDN-EU FLEGT VPA

The 4th JIC
18 May 2016
1. Timeline and Next Steps to Licensing
2. Communication and Preparation of FLEGT Licensing
3. Discussed on remaining the Action Plan Progress

The 5th JIC
15 September 2016
1. Closing Action Plan
2. Formal Decision on the date to start FLEGT License: 15 November 2016
3. Decision to start Periodic Evaluation, Report on Impact Monitoring and IMM
4. Communication: First FLEGT License Celebration, COP Marrakech, ASEAN training
Thank You