



Regional CSO Meeting on FLEG in Southeast Asia

11am-5pm, 5 Dec 2016

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Objectives:

- Share information on ASEAN Working Structures and the Work Plan for Forest Law Enforcement and Governance (FLEG) in ASEAN (2016–2025) with civil society organisations working on FLEGT-related issues in Southeast Asia.
- Sharing of national experiences, explore ideas and opportunities on regional exchanges as well as what roles CSOs envisage they could play at the regional level
- Assess interest to have a regional platform or structure for regular exchange of experiences, discussions and coordinating their inputs into ASEAN FLEG related processes.

Key summary of discussion:

The CSOs present expressed interests to better understand the ASEAN Work Plan for FLEG (2016-2025) and its implementation. Interests raised include:

- Participating in country delegations to ASEAN working groups responsible for the implementation of the Work Plan or at least organizing regular exchanges with the responsible Gov representatives
- Supporting cross-border collaboration on information exchange on ways to demonstrate timber legality incl. learning from site visits
- Supporting tracking of the implementation of the ASEAN FLEG commitments and activities on national/regional level

Key summary of discussion:

Keen interest in regular regional exchanges among CSOs in this region via online platforms or physical meetings:

- Sharing of information, knowledge, skills and resources related to independent monitoring, timber legality, SMEs, and advocacy on country (VPA process) and on regional (ASEAN FLEG WP) level



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