

Title	Reimagining Sustainable Forest Certification: Realizing Impacts in the Asia Pacific	
Organizer	Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)	
Type of event	Workshop; Discussion forum	
Venue	Room 110-111	
Date/Time	Tuesday, June 18; 15:30-17:00	
Event description		
<p>This session looks at the reimagination of forest certification to realise impacts on sustainable development goals. It showcases and discusses the importance of forest certification as a tool in shaping forest governance, and other emerging initiatives contributing to sustainable forest management, especially in the Asia-Pacific Region.</p> <p>The first panel focuses on the overarching challenges pertaining to sustainability in the forestry industry, and how certification has helped overcome some of these challenges. It also looks at the meaningful implementation of certification and its associated standards, as a voluntary governance mechanism that enables the industry to demonstrate best-practices which supports market access and facilitation of trade.</p> <p>This second panel focuses on how the development of National forestry certification schemes contributes to smallholder institutions such as the Vietnam Cooperative Alliance and areas with high-risk characteristics to build national standards to access emerging government and institution market requirements. There will then be a discussion on how certification is driving innovation in governance and institutional leadership.</p>		
Time	Speaker / Panelist	Theme
15:30 -15:35	Mr. Gilbon Koo, KoFPI	Opening Remarks
15:35 - 16:20	Facilitator: Mr. Ben Gunneberg • Mr. Yong Teng Koon, MTCC • Ms. Elim Sritaba, APP • Dr. Park Soo-kyoo, KFCC • Mr. Paul Earnshaw, Tesco	How forest certification has contributed to sustainability and facilitation of trade
16:20-17:00	Facilitator: Mr. David Syme • Ms. Lucita Jasmin, APRIL • Dr. Phoung, VAFS • Mr. Stefano Savi, GPSNR	Emerging initiatives to realise sustainable forest management