

# CHAIN OF CUSTODY STANDARDS WORKSHOP SERIES 2023: CONCEPTUAL PHASE TOPICS

Join FSC at this workshop to contribute to the development of key concepts that will shape the Chain of Custody Standards revision. The process is now adapting the new requirements of the Procedure for the Development of FSC Requirements, including a conceptual phase.

## REINFORCING FSC 100%

### BACKGROUND

In the line with the Strategy for FSC Mix products and controlled wood, FSC has the aspiration of creating effective incentives in the FSC system to increase the amount of FSC-certified material available, and specifically FSC 100%. Increasing the weighting of FSC 100% or CW-FM (controlled wood forest management, through FSC-STD-30-010) versus CW-CoC (controlled wood chain of custody, through FSC-STD-40-005), could be some of the possible measures to achieve an increase in the proportion of FSC 100% material over time.

As per current requirements, FSC Controlled Wood (FSC CW) is an FSC claim, but the material is not considered FSC-certified. Therefore, for a chain of custody certificate holder (CoC CH) using a credit / percentage system, FSC CW inputs have no claim-contribution (equals to zero). The FSC CW can originate either at the CoC level through the implementation of FSC-STD-40-005; or at the forest management (FM) level through FSC-STD-30-010. Under the current revision of FSC-STD-30-010, +70% of the requirements are aligned to the 'full FM' standard, and it will become a stepwise approach towards 'full FM'.

### PROPOSED SOLUTION

FSC could consider a claim-contribution for this material under the CoC, in recognition of the forest management applying increasingly aligned requirements with 'full FM'.

### FOR REFLECTION

- What would be the benefits, challenges and risks for the FSC system?
- What other measures could be applied within the CoC standards?
- Some visioning and next steps recommendations.

### DATE AND TIME

**27 September 2023 - 3 p.m. (CET)**

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Relevant documents:

- *FSC-STD-40-004 V3-1 Chain of Custody Certification*
- *Process page for the Revision of the FSC Controlled Wood Standard for Forest Management Enterprises (FSC-STD-30-010)*