



Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)

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Requirements and content: Training of facilitators in the Economic Viability Tool (EVT) for Community and Family Forests

1. REQUIREMENTS FOR EVT FACILITATORS

- 1.1. General requirements:
 - a. Technical/professional education in economics, environmental or social sciences.
 - b. Experience in the support or advice to initiatives or organizations in rural communities or small-scale and low intensity forest management (desirable).
- 1.2. Specific requirements:
 - a. Experience in:
 - i. Organizations (community initiatives, companies, etc.) that involve productive economic activities with:
 - ✓ Forest resources (timber, non-timber, ecosystem services), or
 - ✓ Other natural resources in communities or small properties or low-intensity production.
 - ii. Landscape management.
 - iii. Data collection and analysis.
 - b. Avoid conflicts of interest: the facilitator should not belong to the same community or SLIMF, where the EVT will be implemented (neither from close neighbours) because:
 - Sensitive issues are addressed, of which facilitation should not be a part.
 - Moderating people's participation can generate susceptibility among participants and affect the development of their daily lives.
 - c. Intermediate Excel practical knowledge (no need to handle macros).
- 1.3. Potential participants will receive a Microsoft® Form for applying to the "CFF toolbox facilitators trainings" which will be sent to people interested in specific trainings. EVT is part of this CFF toolbox. We have a quota of 20 participants for EVT facilitators training: module 1, which is necessary to continue the training.

Note: It is recommendable to participate in couples conformed by a woman and a man, to motivate the participation of actors regardless of their gender. Please find attached the 5 pages summary.

2. EVT FACILITATOR TRAINING CONTENT

EVT training has 4 modules:

Module 1: Content and guide for interaction with the CFF users (Communities & SLIMF)

- 1.1. Introduction to EVT: previous online sessions (webinars to learn about the generalities of EVT and identify motivations to participate in trainings in-person).
- 1.2. Content and guidance for the implementation of the EVT with the CFF users by cycles, steps, components of data collection and analysis, and possibilities of approaches.
 - ✓ In-person training with **2 days** duration (8 working hours each day).
 - ✓ Highly participatory and practical methodology, which addresses the collection and analysis of data from a real or hypothetical case.
 - ✓ Between 10 and 20 potential facilitators are required for each training workshop, to conform groups of 4-5 members.

Module 2: Systematization of information in “EVT Excel Workbook” and “Word confidential report” templates.

- 2.1. Onsite modality: In each workshop with an EVT user (community or SLIMF) with explanation and specialized technical guidance.
 - 3 days of the first workshop + 2 days for data systematization.
 - 2 days of the second workshop + 2 days for data systematization.
 - 1 day for the CFF users Assembly + 2 days for data systematization.
- 2.2. Online modality: to be developed in duos of facilitators:
 - 2-4 sessions of 1 hours to follow-up.
 - Additional meetings are possible depending on the objective of the EVT implementation.

Module 3: Implementation of a whole cycle of EVT with a CFF user with the technical guidance and support of an EVT expert or trainer, applying the 4 steps and 2-4 components.

- 3.1. Meetings: coordination, consultation, Q&A.
- 3.2. Supervision and monitoring from FSC Ing.

Module 4: Implementation of a whole cycle EVT with few guidance from FSC trainer (Funding and logistics for that EVT implementation will require to be explored, before). Send “Excel Workbook” and “Word Report” to FSC trainer for revision. Once approved, a DIPLOMA will issuance for Facilitators.