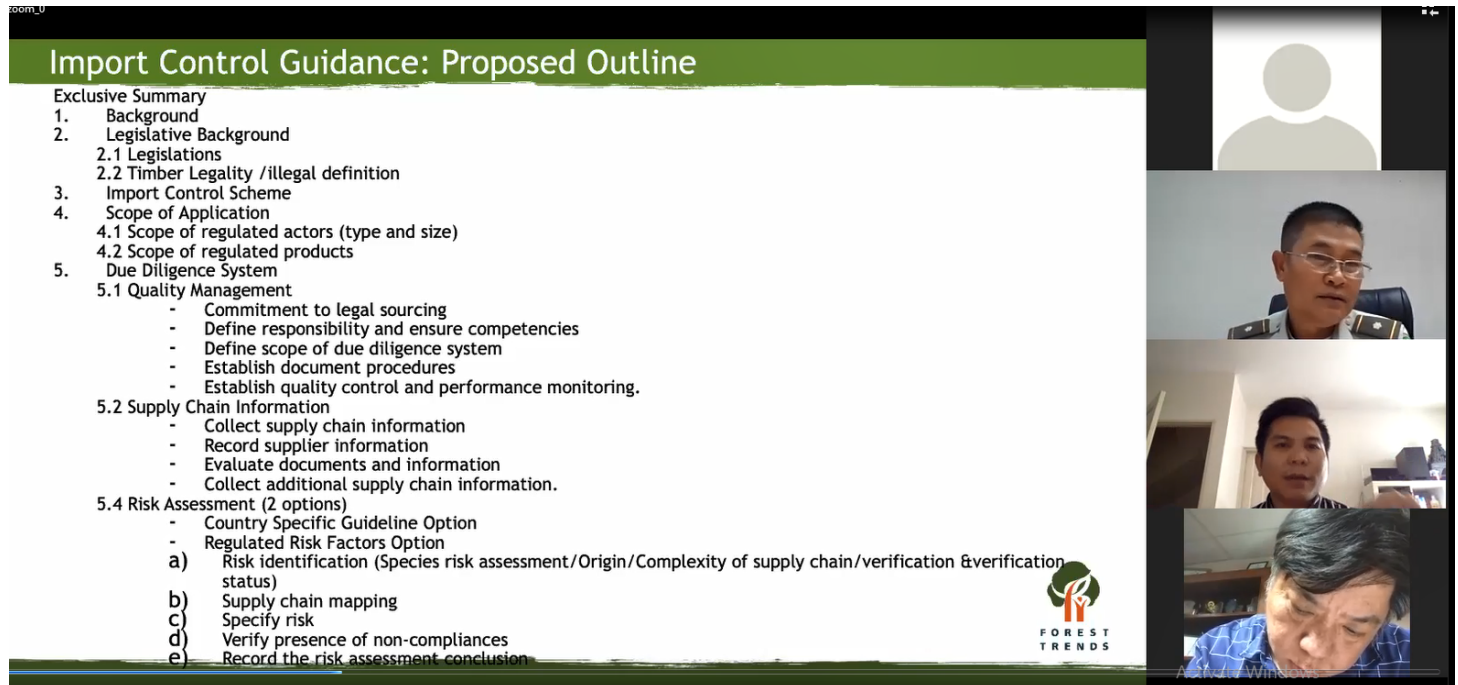


# Import Control sub-working group meeting to review gaps analysis and concept note outline

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The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. On the left, a presentation slide titled "Import Control Guidance: Proposed Outline" is displayed. The slide content is as follows:

- Exclusive Summary
- 1. Background
- 2. Legislative Background
  - 2.1 Legislations
  - 2.2 Timber Legality /illegal definition
- 3. Import Control Scheme
- 4. Scope of Application
  - 4.1 Scope of regulated actors (type and size)
  - 4.2 Scope of regulated products
- 5. Due Diligence System
  - 5.1 Quality Management
    - Commitment to legal sourcing
    - Define responsibility and ensure competencies
    - Define scope of due diligence system
    - Establish document procedures
    - Establish quality control and performance monitoring.
  - 5.2 Supply Chain Information
    - Collect supply chain information
    - Record supplier information
    - Evaluate documents and information
    - Collect additional supply chain information.
  - 5.4 Risk Assessment (2 options)
    - Country Specific Guideline Option
    - Regulated Risk Factors Option
      - a) Risk identification (Species risk assessment/Origin/Complexity of supply chain/verification & verification status)
      - b) Supply chain mapping
      - c) Specify risk
      - d) Verify presence of non-compliances
      - e) Record the risk assessment conclusion

The slide also features the Forest Trends logo in the bottom right corner. On the right side of the Zoom window, there are three video thumbnails. The top one shows a man with glasses, the middle one shows a man in a dark shirt, and the bottom one shows a man in a blue patterned shirt.

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On 11 November 2020, the Import Control sub-working group held a second meeting to review gaps analysis and the import control concept note outline, formulated by the consultant team from Forest Trends.

The gaps analysis has shown that the previous drafts still lack details in various parts such as the scope of enforcement, due diligence process, and institutional roles and procedures to verify due diligence. These will be described in the updated draft. The sub-working group agreed with the gap analysis and the concept note outline and will submit to the ad-hoc working group to approve the consultant team to start drafting the import control concept note.

In the next ad-hoc working group meeting, the sub-working group will put forward issues on responsible agencies to implement import control, import control model, data management based on RFD SW and NSW, and criteria for risk identification for the ad-hoc working group to consider. Regulation to enforce due diligence based import control is another issue that government agencies and stakeholders will need to discuss and reach the verdict.



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