

## The Sixth Monthly Report on Working Progress of TEFSO

## As of July 2020

In July 2020, TEFSO has facilitated activities, particularly meetings to support the Thai-EU FLEGT VPA. Details are as follow;

Date	Activities
23 – 24 July 2020	The Eight Ad-Hoc Working Group Meeting Read more

These activities have produced the following outcomes which will move forward the Thai-FLEGT VPA;

Issues	Progresses/Outcomes
Video presentations from	- Courtesy of Forest Trends and IGES, the ad-hoc working
Asia Pacific Timber Regulation	group had the opportunity to watch presentations on solutions
Enforcement Exchange, a	and tools to ensure timber legality. The panels consist of
conference organized IGES	representatives from government organizations, CSOs, and
and Forest Trends	research institutions in the global timber sector focusing on
	Asia-Pacific.
	- The ad-hoc working group was informed of many new
	technologies and tools such as artificial intelligent devices
	and software and scientific methods to verify timber species
	and timber sources. Both public and private organizations
	presented their initiatives and projects such as wood sample
	collection and database source of the timber supply chain
	developed to strengthen timber control.
	- Timber sectors in China and African region: regulations and
	supply chain controls, and multi-sectoral initiatives to timber
	legality and sustainability, are also the meeting's focus.