



37th Monthly Report on Working Progress of TEFSO
in May 2017

In May 2017, TEFSO has performed the following tasks:

1. The FLEGT Sub-Committee meeting no.2/2017

On the 4th of May 2017, Mr. Cholaitit Suratsawadee Director General of RFD serves as the chairman of the Sub-Committee Meeting No.2/2017 at Maruay Garden Hotel. The Objectives of the meeting are;

1. To consider the Draft agenda for the second Joint Technical Meeting (JTM-2) and the first VPA Negotiations
2. To assign the delegate to present the topics which raised in agenda
3. To prepare the JTM-2 and the first Negotiation meeting.

However, the outcome of the sub-committee meeting will be reported to the National FLEGT Committee on the second National FLEGT Committee Meeting which will be arranged at the Ministry of National Resource and Environmental on 15 May 2017.

2. Interviewing new coordinator officer (TOR)

On 8 May 2017, TH-EU FLEGT Secretariat Office (TEFSO) arranges the interviewing to seek the coordinator officer. There are 2 candidates passed the interview examination, Ms.Chatdinee Konman accepts to be in chart of this position.

3. The National FLEGT Committee meeting No.2/2017

On 15 May 2017, TH-EU FLEGT Secretariat Office (TEFSO) arranges The National FLEGT Committee Meeting No.2/2017 at The Ministry of National Resources and Environment (MNRE), Mr.Pralong Damrongthai, Inspector-General of MNRE and Mr.Chonlatid Surussawadee, Director General of RFD to be the co-chairmen of the meeting.

The committees agree to the meeting procedure, venue, meeting contents and to be informed the list of EU-Delegations. However, the meeting suggests TEFSO to formally inform the EU side on the meeting procedures and revised road map as well.

4. The FLEGT Sub-Committee meeting no.3/2017

On 29 May 2017, Mr.Chonlatit Suratsawadee Director General of RFD and Mr.Pralong Damrongthai, Inspector General of MNRE are co-chairmen of the FLEGT Sub-Committee Meeting No.3/2017 at the meeting room no.1, the Royal Forest Department.



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The meeting is a consultation of Thai side to prepare for Joint Expert Meeting (JEM II) and FLEGT VPA Negotiation I (NEG I); and to rehearse about the topic/content which will be presented at the meeting.

TEFSO confirms the exactly agenda that the second of Joint Expert Meeting (JEM II) will be hold on 27-28 June 2017 and the first negotiation will be hold on the 29th and 30th June, 2560 in the afternoon.

Furthermore, the meeting has accepted the representative from RECOFTC as the observer at JEM II; accordingly, they are one of the organizations that has originally involved in FLEGT VPA program as well.

5. TEFSO work together with the LD field test consultants

During 29 May to 18 June 2017, Mr.James Sandom and Ms.Pawinee Udommai, the LD field test consultants will collaborate with TEFSO, to discuss and preparing for LD field test which will be implemented in the end of July 2017.