

Declaration on the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR 995/2010)

As of 3 March 2013 the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR 995/2010) entered into force. The EUTR prohibits the placing of illegally harvested timber and products derived from such timber on the EU market. The EUTR lays down obligations for "operators" and "traders":

- Operators are individuals or legal entities who place timber or timber products for the first time on the
 internal market. Operators are required to exercise "due diligence" so as to minimize the risk of placing
 illegally harvested timber or timber products containing timber of illegal origin on the EU market.
- <u>Traders</u> are individuals or legal entities who, in the course of a commercial activity, sell or buy on the
 internal market timber and/or timber products that are already placed on the internal market (by an
 operator). Traders are required to keep records of their suppliers and customers in order to make
 traceability of timber or timber products possible.
 - O As a supplier of timber and/or timber products that are already placed on the internal market (by an operator) we are classified as a <u>trader</u>. A prior due diligence check has already been carried out by the person or company which placed the timber and/or timber products on the EU market for the first time.
 - O As a supplier of timber and/or timber products that are bought from a supplier based outside the EU, we are classified as an <u>operator</u>. Therefore we have established a "due diligence system" as required by the EUTR. Due diligence requires an operator to gather information/documentation about timber and/or timber products and their suppliers in order to conduct a full risk assessment so as to minimize the risk of placing illegally harvested timber or timber products containing timber of illegal origin on the EU market. A due diligence check has been carried out by us before placing the timber and/or timber products on the EU market for the first time.

We endorse the EU Timber Regulation (EUTR 995/2010) and confirm, based on the obtained information / documentation, that the delivered timber and/or timber products are in compliance with the EUTR.

Please note that following introduction of the EUTR no requirement exists for operators and/or traders to provide a declaration / certificate that the delivered timber and/or timber products are in compliance with the EUTR.

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