

Development of a Chain of Custody (CoC) System for the wood processing sector in Lao P.D.R



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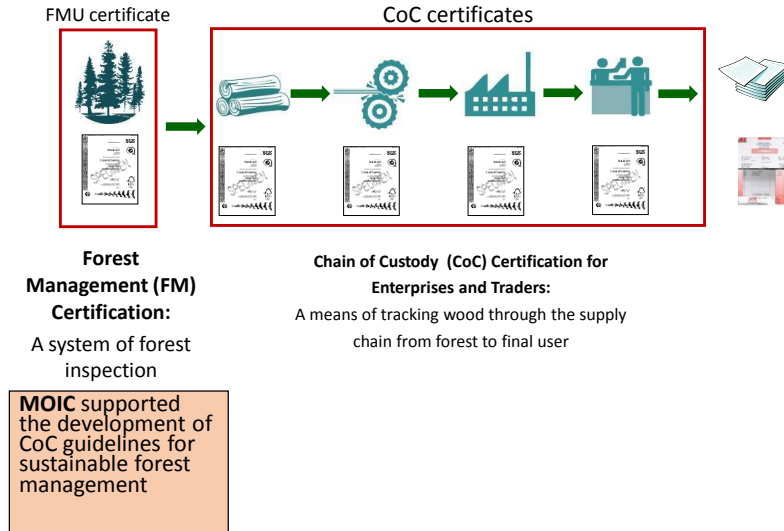
Context

- Sector Strategy to increase value adding to timber products instead of exporting logs
- Requirement of long term raw material supply for national industry
- International Trade regulations as Lacey Act, EUTR etc. accept only products from legal timber
- Actual input/output control of enterprises in log landing 3 is very limited



Need for an improved traceability system in the wood processing sector

Using the experinece from FSC certification



Preparation of the legal framework

- Update of Decission MOIC 1415 „Product Standard“ to new Decission MOIC 2005 with the following changes:
 - Input/ouput reporting every three months is mandatory
 - Introduction Harmonized Classification System (HS) for product categories equivalent to FLEGT for the scope of the VPA

Next steps

- Development of MOIC Degree for a mandatory Chain of Custody (CoC)
- CoC Guidelines and manual
- Capacity building for MOIC/POIC in verification procedures
- Support programme for enterprises in an implementation phase