

Agenda for the 3rd National Steering Committee Meeting on the Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Towards Voluntary Partnership Agreement (FLEGT VPA) with EU

- Date:** 19 January 2018
- Meeting venue:** Champasack Grand Hotel, Pakse District, Champasack Province
- Co-Chairs of meeting:** Dr. Phoangparisack Pravongviengkham (Vice Minister of MAF).
Mr. Saykham Ounmixay (Vice President of Government Inspection Authority).
Mr. Somchai Phetsinouan (President of Provincial People Council [Provincial Assembly?] of Khammouane Province).
Mr. Bouasone Vongsongkhone (Vice Governor of Champasack Province).
Mr. Souksamay Chanthamath (Vice Governor of Attapeu Province).
- Participants:** NSC, FLEGT Taskforce, FSO, ProFLEGT, representative from TWG, TEG, Private Sector, CSOs, pilot provinces.
- Language:** Lao/English.

Objectives:

1. Review of FLEGT VPA process in 2017
 - including evaluation of institutional setup
2. Overview EU-Lao PDR Roadmap and annual planning 2018
3. Technical focal points in 2018
 - Piloting implementation of COC-decision in Wood processing companies in ATT
 - Drafting supply chain control and verification elements, including Data and Information management system
 - Piloting Operational Logging and Degradation Monitoring System in conversion areas

Time	Topics	Presenters/Facilitators
08:00-08:30	Registration	FSO
08:30-08:40	Welcome Note	Vice Governor of Champasack Province
08:40-08:50	Opening remarks of meeting	Co-Chairs
08:50-10:00 (30min)	(including Q&A) I. Review of FLEGT VPA process in 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview on FLEGT VPA. • Highlight of 2017 (12 July 2016-18 Jan 2018). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Institutional setup (FLEGT committees) ➤ Overall work plan implementation (A, B, C) ➤ 1st face-to-face Negotiation 	Mr. Linthong Douangphachan. (Director General, DOFI/MAF)

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(20min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ State of TLDs development ➤ Joint Assessment, timber auction • Challenges. 	
(10min)	<p>II. Pilot provinces (Khammouane and Attapeu)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khammouane: Pilot project in conversion area as Thonglom HPP. • Attapeu: Piloting draft COC-Decision in ATT. 	<p>PAFO Khammouane.</p> <p>POIC Attapeu, Private Sector Representative.</p>
(10min)	<p>III. CSO (Overview of CSOs participation in FLEGT VPA Process Including multi-stakeholder working group on conversion areas).</p>	<p>CSO Representative.</p>
10:00-10:30	Group Photo and Coffee break	All participants
10:30-10:50	Overview EU-Lao PDR Roadmap and annual planning 2018 (including Q&A)	Mr. Sousath Sayakoummane (DG, DOF/MAF)
10:50-11:00	COC-decision development (including Q&A)	Mr. Vangchai Vang (Head of Division, DIMEX/MOIC)
11:10-11:40	Supply chain control and verification elements, including Data and Information management system (including Q&A)	Heiko Woerner (CTA, ProFLEGT)
11:40-13:30	Lunch	All participants
13:30-14:00	Piloting of an Operational Logging and Degradation Monitoring System for the monitoring of conversion areas (including Q&A)	Mr. Khamfeua Sirivongs (Acting Head of Division, DOFI/MAF)
14:00-14:30	Plenary discussion and direction	National Steering Committee (NSC)
14:30-15:00	Coffee break	All participants
15:00-15:30	Plenary discussion and direction (Continue)	National Steering Committee (NSC)
15:30-16:00	Closing remark	Co-Chairs
18:00	Dinner	All participants