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TACKLING THE INFORMATION GAP ON FOREST PRODUCERS

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WHAT IS THE OTP?

- An independent web platform
- Designed by WRI in consultation with a number of local civil society organizations, government agencies, companies, and industry associations
- With the help of key partners



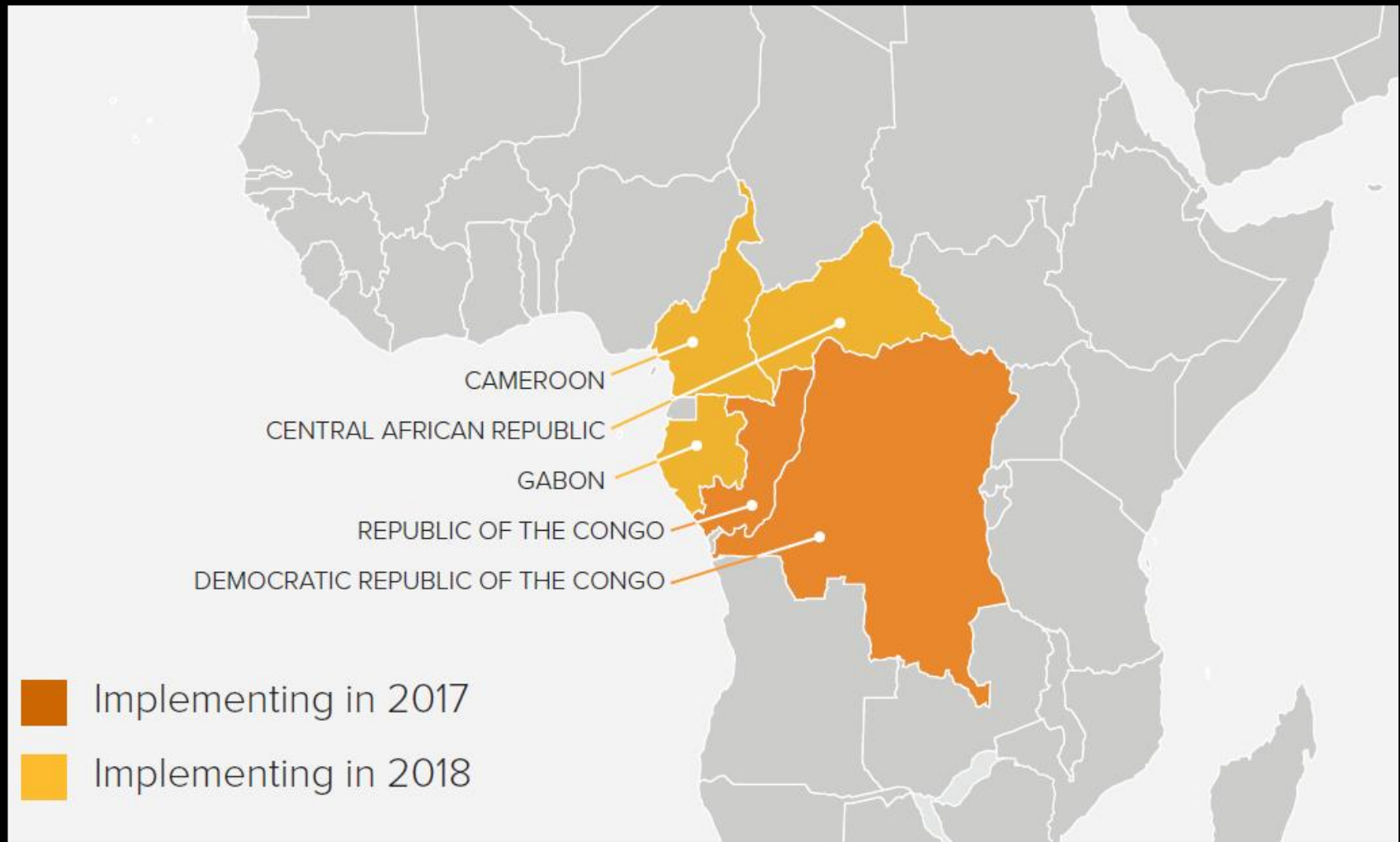
- And supports of several donors



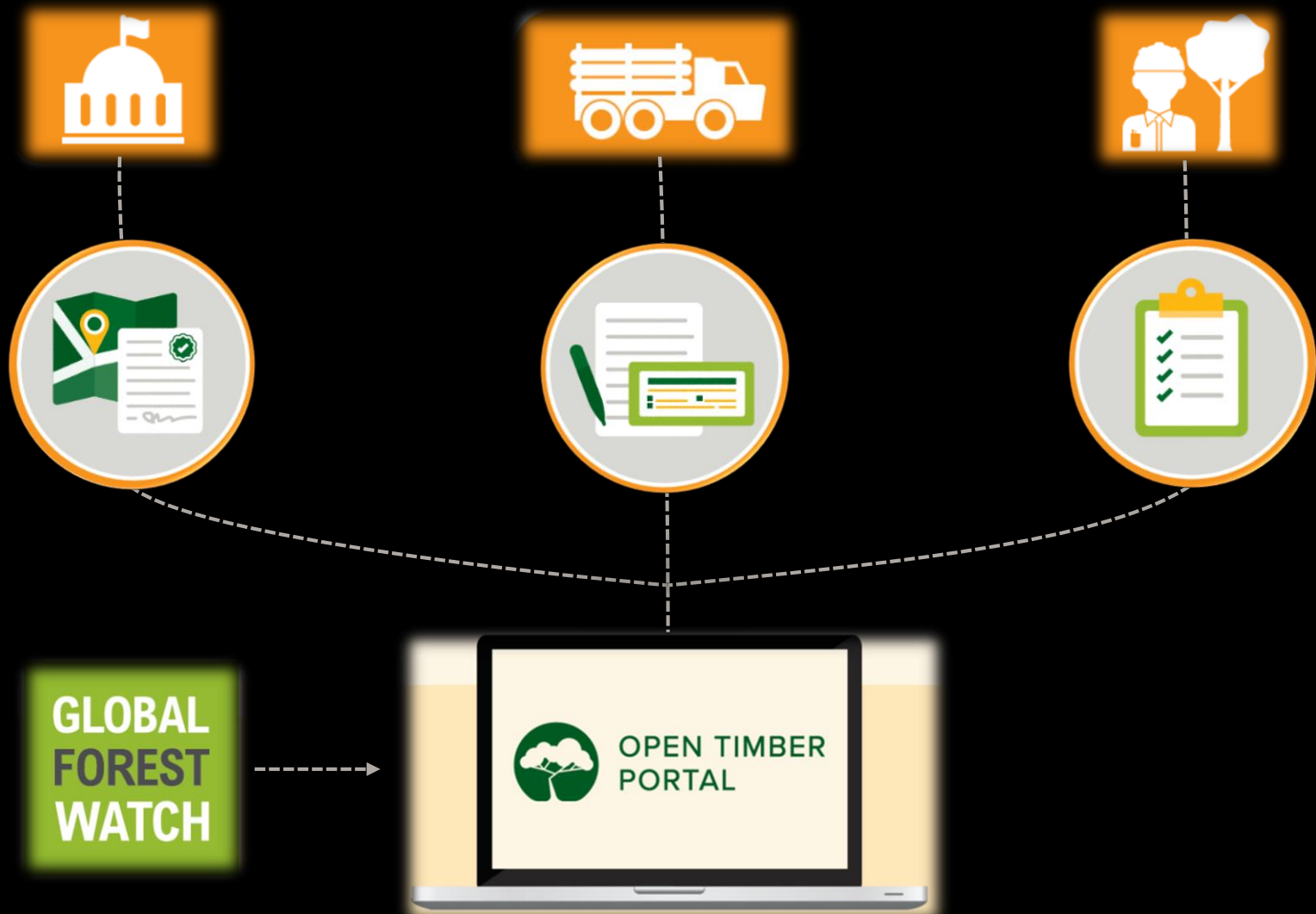
WHAT DOES THE OTP DO?

- It promotes trade in legally harvested forest products
- by compiling information about forest sector compliance from government, private sector and third party actors in producer countries
- In a very specific way
 - ✓ Geospatial vs. contextual
 - ✓ Company-level information
 - ✓ 100% of registered forest producers
 - ✓ Bringing more documents into the public sphere

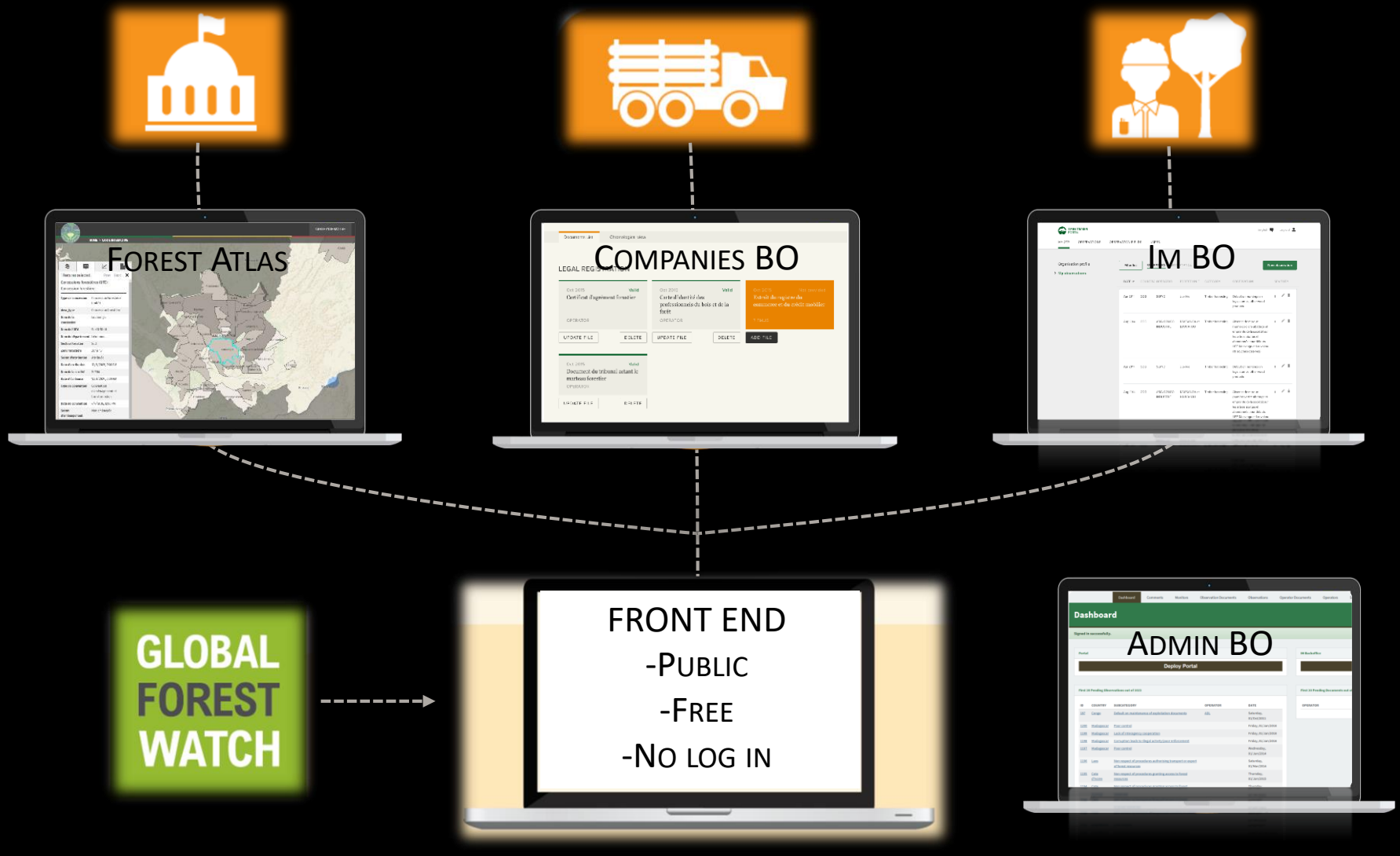
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OTP SOURCES OF INFORMATION



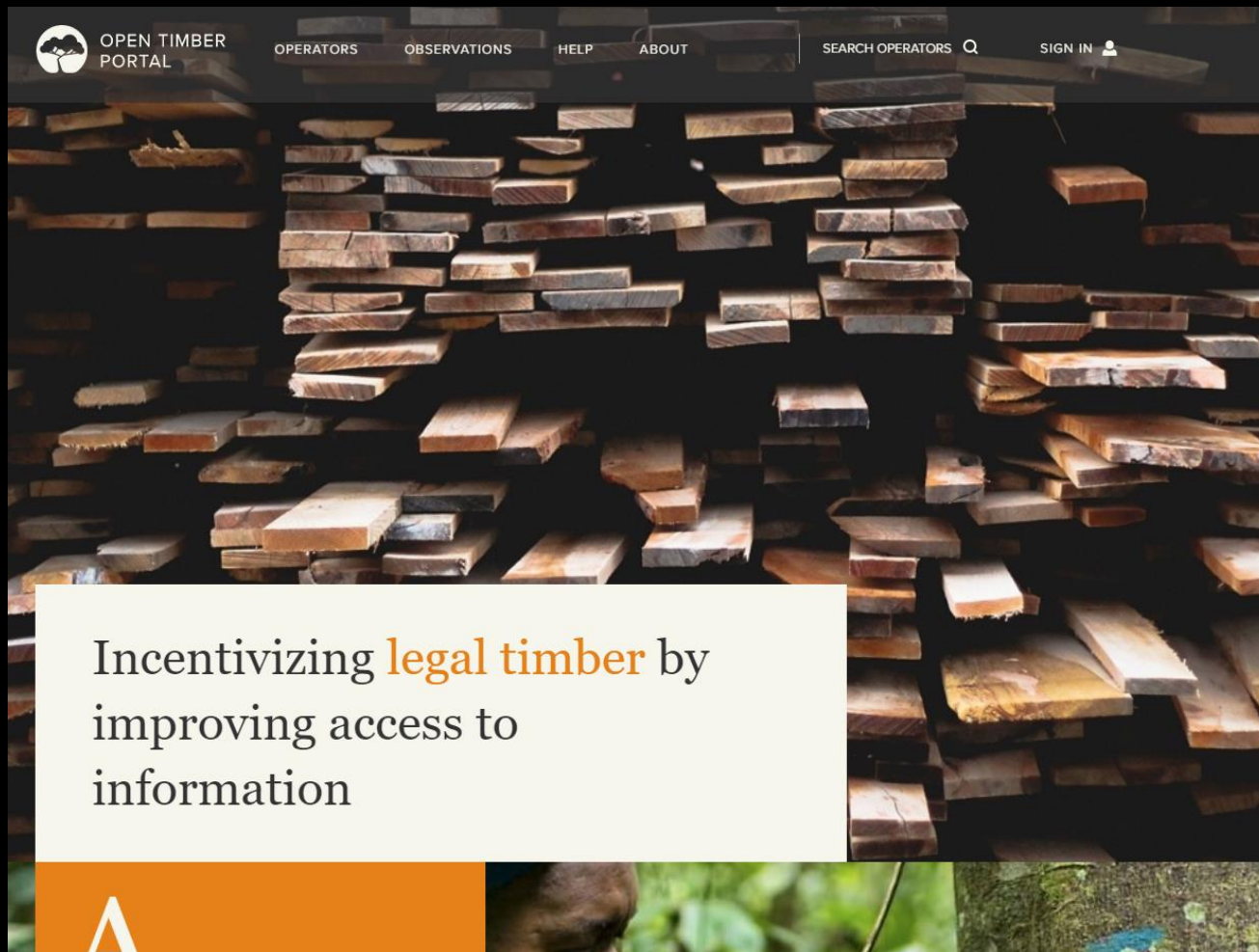
OTP STRUCTURE TO COLLECT INFORMATION




DISCLAIMER

- Beta version built to gather feedback from stakeholders
 - May contain bugs
 - Cannot guarantee that data is complete or up-to-date
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- Companies have not been given the opportunity to update their documents yet
 - Current ranking doesn't reflect the actual level of transparency of the companies
 - No conclusion on company transparency can be drawn using the figures displayed at this point

SNEAK PREVIEW - OTP



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New observation

ID	DATE	COUNTRY	OPERATOR	SUBCATEGORY	OBSERVATION	SEVERITY	STATUS	ACTIONS
186	09/30/2011	Congo	ADL	Overharvesting	Coupe en sus de 2022 pieds.	3	Active	
187	09/30/2011	Congo	ADL	Default on maintenance of exploitation documents	Absence de certaines mentions obligatoires et ratures.	1	Pending	
188	09/30/2011	Congo	ADL	Cutting outside permit boundaries	Coupe en dehors des limites de la coupe annuelle et une coupe en dehors du titre d'exploitation.	0	Active	
189	09/30/2011	Congo	ADL	Default on markings on logs, stumps, other wood products	Mauvaise marquage des souches et de certaines billes (à la craie industrielle)	0	Active	
190	09/30/2011	Congo	ADL	Irregular sub-contracting/transfer of shares	Certaines opérations d'exploitation de la concession de la société ADL sont menées par la société TIL sans autorisation de l'administration.	2	Active	

DATA ALREADY AVAILABLE

- 177 documents : 75 valid - 102 expired
- More than 1200 observations:

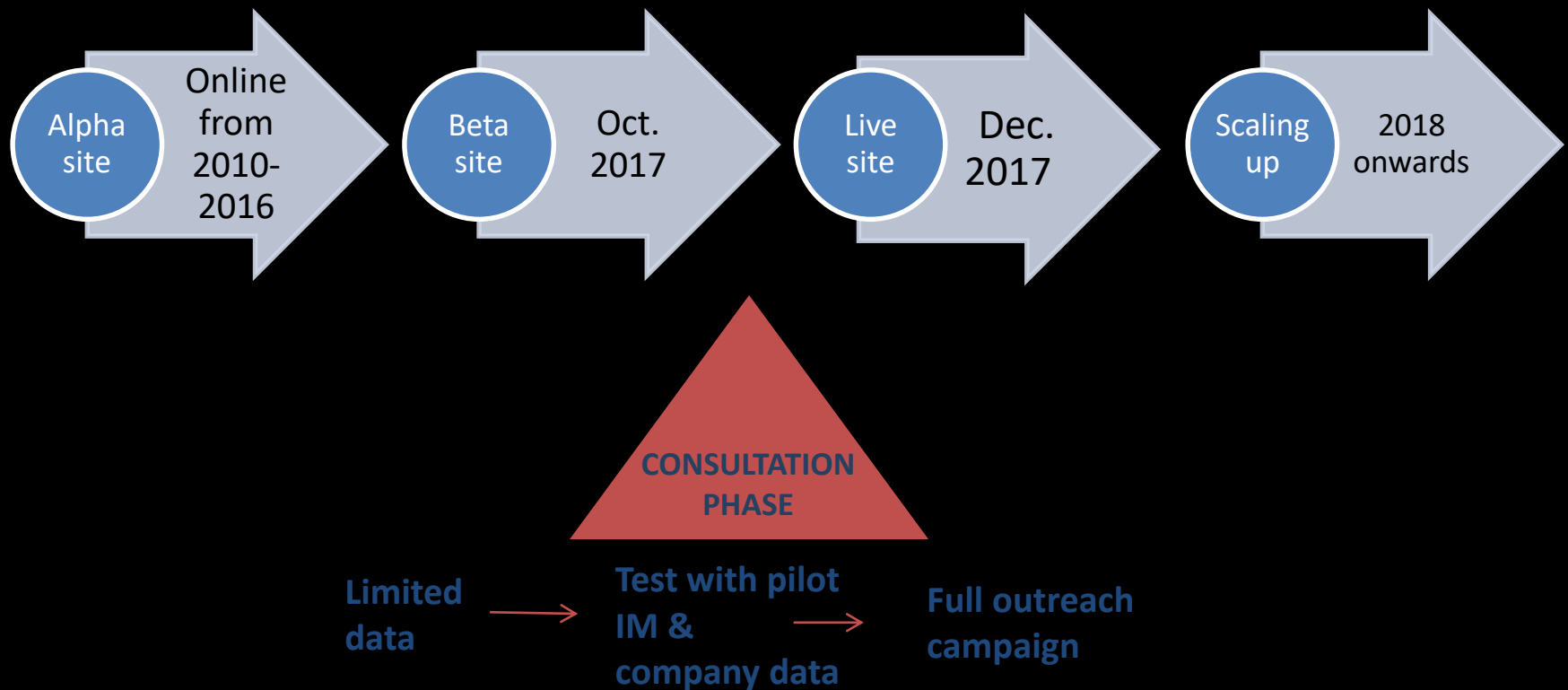
Country	# Obs. Companies	# Obs. Governance	Total Obs.
Congo	395	295	690
DRC	102	65	167
Cameroon	147	13	160
Indonesia	67	9	76
Ivory Coast	18	7	25
Gabon	17	2	19
CAR	16	2	18
Brazil	15	1	16
Cambodia	8	8	16
Madagascar	3	4	7
Liberia	5	0	5
Laos	0	1	1
Malaysia	1	0	1
Grand Total	794	407	1201

KEY AUDIENCES

- **Timber companies** concerned about reputation and market access
- **Government agencies** in producer countries
- **Timber buyers** across the supply chain
- **Enforcement agencies** in importing countries
- **Third-party forest monitors** in producer countries
- **Civil society organizations and NGOs**
- **Donors** supporting forest legality

TIMELINE

- Previous alpha version from 2010 (alpha.foresttransparencyinitiative.org)
- New website currently under development:





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