TFT’s work with trade & industry

- Works with factories & buyers to monitor wood sources & supply chains.
- Verifies that raw material is legal & from well managed forests.
- This helps to establish environmental credibility for timber product traders.

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The TFT Model

The model for support to industry is “Good Wood, Good Business”.

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The TFT in China

• Increasing focus by NGOs on the China wood industry.
• TFT now here to help business reduce negative impact.
• Establishment supported by U.K. Department of Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA).
• Activities started mid 2006.
• Partners: U.K. Timber Trade Federation & GEI (Global Environmental institute).
• Working with factories on raw material issues & supply chain management.

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Wood Control Systems

Element 1: Identifies which wood is acceptable in end product.

Element 2: Targeted procurement policy.

Element 3: Implementation of CoC throughout supply chain.

Element 4: WOC to control wood entering supply chain.

Element 5: Internal auditing to ensure system is secure.

Element 6: Independent third party verification.

Element 7: Reporting systems.

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Secondary Processors

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Primary Processors

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Forests

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Benefits

- Illegal wood is often of inferior quality
  - lower recovery.
- COC requires efficient handling
  - better recovery.
- Legal wood in your supply chain is good for export business.
- Premium prices may be achieved.
- Legal timber may become a pre-requisite for continued business.

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Why Should Industry Get Involved

• The demand for legality is gaining influence.

• Maintaining trade with valuable export markets requires wood used to be legal.

• Taking action will mean businesses comply with future requirements.

• Increasingly assistance is available.

• Currently TFT manages the DEFRA grant.

• The European Commission will extend the Timber Trade Action Plan to China.
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