Traceability in Global Supply Chains

Forestry Sector

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DEFINITION: Traceability for sustainability

The ability to identify and trace the history, distribution, location and application of products, parts and materials, to ensure the reliability of sustainability claims, in the areas of human rights, labor (including health and safety), the environment and anti-corruption.
Traceability Today

- Traceability is an increasingly useful tool for companies to advance sustainability and prove claims and attributes of sustainable products.
- Some companies have instituted their own traceability programmes and schemes for certain business-critical commodities.
- Companies and stakeholders have come together to build global multi-stakeholder initiatives in order to trace commodities collaboratively. Examples:
  - The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)
  - The Marine Stewardship Council (MSC)
  - UTZ Certified
Impact & Opportunities for traceability

Traceability is already providing impact, but there is more to do.

**Impact of Traceability**

- Drives the sustainability of raw materials
  - Timber: Relative annual growth rate of 11.8% in forest certification (either FSC or PEFC); currently 10% of world’s forest area are certified sustainable
  - Cotton: 8% of global cotton consumption engaged in the Better Cotton Initiative
  - Bonsucro: 3.66% of global sugar is certified
- Proof of good business practices
- Unites companies and stakeholders around a common purpose

**Opportunities to strengthen traceability**

- For certain commodities, traceability is difficult due to supply chain complexity. More is needed to increase transparency at certain key points in supply chains.
- Increase availability and scale of certified, traceability products
- Reduce cost of traceability for all supply chain actors
- Develop technology to meet traceability needs
Traceability Models

Supply Chain Traceability Types

- Traceability Models
  - Product Segregation
    - Bulk Commodity
    - Identity Preservation
  - Mass Balance
  - Book and Claim
Product Segregation

The Product Segregation model implies that certified materials and products are physically separated from non-certified materials and products at each stage along the value chain.

**Better Cotton Initiative** – Physical segregation until the bale of cotton is formed

**Fairtrade Labelling Organizations International (FLO)** – Product segregation for bananas, other fresh fruits, coffee, flowers, nuts, rice and spices

**Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)** – “FSC Pure Products”

**Organic Food Labels**

**Responsible Jewelry Council** Chain-of-Custody standard

**Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)** – RSPO Segregated System

**Textile Exchange** standards

**UTZ Certified** – Traceability Programme “Segregation Physical Link”

**Marine Stewardship Council (MSC)**
With the Mass Balance model, certified and non-certified materials can be mixed. The exact volume of certified material entering the value chain must be controlled and an equivalent volume of the certified product leaving the value chain can be sold as certified.

**Better Cotton Initiative** – Mass Balance model once the bale of cotton is broken and split into yarn

**Bonsucro** – Mass Balance Chain of Custody Standard

**Fairtrade Labeling Organization (FLO)** – Mass balance model for cocoa, sugar, tea and juice

**Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)** – FSC volume based system

**Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)** – RSPO Mass Balance System

**UTZ Certified** – Mass Balance Traceability Programme
The Book and Claim model does not seek to have traceability at each stage in the supply chain. Instead, it relies on the link between volumes of certified materials produced and the amount of the certified product purchased, and on sustainability certificates issued and purchased.

NOTE: The Mass Balance and Book and Claim models are open to criticism for commodities where Product Segregation is available.
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Best practice in traceability

THE MODEL: COLLABORATION IS BEST PRACTICE FOR TRACEABILITY

A clear model has emerged of best practice in traceability based on interviews and research conducted in developing this guide. The model has three distinctive features:

1. One independent, multi-stakeholder Global Collaborative Scheme. This organization provides guidance and works on commodities to advance traceability.

2. Focus. The traceability scheme is focused on a limited number of issues, both in terms of the number of commodities and the sustainability attributes that must be traced.

3. Appropriate collaboration along the supply chain. The supply chain actors along the way are participating in the scheme in a manner appropriate to their position in the supply chain, and are communicating with their immediate business partners.

Independent, multi-stakeholder Global Collaborative Scheme

Focus: One commodity, specific sustainability attributes

- Responsible for the overall traceability of the commodity
- Sets standards / certification requirements
- Monitors commodity source and each step in the chain of custody
- Ensures the flow of data as appropriate between sources

Producers / Raw Material Sources
- Certified to global scheme
- Subject to independent audits
- Share data

2nd Tier & Beyond Indirect Suppliers
- Certified to scheme
- Document chain of custody
- Top management support
- Resources to implement
- Subject to audits
- Share data

1st Tier Direct Suppliers
- Certified to scheme
- Document chain of custody
- Top management support
- Resources to implement
- Subject to audits
- Share data

Brands / Sellers
- Participation in scheme
- Strong buyer adherence to internal policy
- Top management support
- Integrated procurement processes
- Resources to implement

BSR
Seven Steps to traceability implementation

1. Identify the key commodities.
2. Gain a full understanding of all relevant sustainability issues to those commodities and identify whether traceability is the best way to mitigate those risks.
3. Develop the business case for traceability.
4. Take traceability action.
   - If there is an existing traceability scheme, get involved.
   - If there is not an existing scheme for that commodity, reach out to peers and stakeholders (and the UN Global Compact) to encourage or start one.
5. Engage internally with key staff, and develop solid internal practices and processes.
7. Stay the course.
Tips for Successful Implementation

Focus on those commodities that are most material to your business, and areas where you have the greatest risk and leverage.

Traceability is a long-term investment; be prepared to stick with it over the long-term.

Devote time, effort and resources to collaboration.

Companies also need to devote internal resources to the programme.

Strong supplier relationships and good supplier communication is key to the success of a traceability programme.
### Key Issues
- Climate change and CO$_2$ emissions
- Deforestation of rainforests
- Illegal logging
- Destruction of habitat of flora and fauna
- Land rights of indigenous people

### Relevant Actors
- Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)
- Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)
- EU Timber Regulation
- Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFA)
- Tropical Forest Alliance
- eAmerican Tree Fram System (ATFS)
- Canadian Standards Association’s Sustainable Forest Management Standard

### Gaps & Opportunities
- Greater alignment between governmental and voluntary standards
Thank you.
Background

**OUR VISION**
Meeting the rights and needs of the present generation without compromising those of future generations

- **SOCIAL**
  Local People & Society at Large

- **ECOLOGICAL**
  Biodiversity & Ecological Process

- **ECONOMIC**
  Responsible & Profitable

**OUR MISSION**
The Forest Stewardship Council shall promote environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial and economically viable management of the world’s forests
• Over 180 million hectares of forest worldwide are now managed according to FSC standards, a growth of over 7% from December 2012 to November 2013.

• Small and community producers manage 14% of all FSC Certified Forest area worldwide in 2013.

• Forest Management Certificates increased from 1,181 in 2012 to 1,238 FM Certificates in the FSC system in 2013. This includes 354 Group Certificates, representing around 126,468 group members.

• Chain of Custody (CoC) Certificates increased from 24,242 CoC certificates in 2012 to 27,055 certificates in 2013, a growth of over 10%.
• Chain-of-Custody (COC) is the path taken by raw materials harvested from an FSC-certified source through processing, manufacturing, distribution, and printing until it is a final product ready for sale to the end consumer

• Product segregation - FSC Pure products

• Mass balance - FSC Mix products (volume and credit system)
Seeing as the Chain of Custody Certification and the Forest Management Certification have been in existence for several years, how have you evolved and adapted the standards to new issues and legislation affecting the forestry sector?
Question – FSC

What kind of support do you offer to forests or companies seeking certification, with particular respect to those located in developing countries/emerging markets?
Stora Enso and Wood Traceability

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Stora Enso in brief

Stora Enso is the global rethinking of the paper, biomaterials, wood products and packaging industry. We always rethink the old and expand to the new to offer our customers innovative solutions based on renewable materials.

- Approximately 28,000 employees worldwide
- Sales in 2013 EUR 10.5 billion
Stora Enso in brief

Renewable Packaging  Biomaterials  Building and Living  Printing and Reading
Stora Enso’s wood sources in 2013, 34.2 million m³ (wood deliveries to Stora Enso mills)
Sustainable and legal wood

- We know the origin of all wood through our third party certified wood traceability systems
- We take care of biodiversity through sustainable forest management and forest certification
- Guided by
  - Stora Enso’s Policy for Sustainable Wood and Fibre Procurement and Land Management (2012)
  - Stora Enso Traceability Guideline for Wood and Pulp (2007)
- Traceability system enables to apply Stora Enso’s policies and requirements into supply chains and to control the suppliers’ performance
Stora Enso’s wood traceability system

- **All wood** and purchased pulp from all suppliers have to be fully traceable and documented to ensure legal and acceptable fibre sources.

- **Traceability** covers origin of wood all the way from the harvesting area until the wood first enters Stora Enso’s possession.

- Stora Enso traceability systems have **third-party certification**
  - FSC® Chain of Custody / Controlled Wood
  - PEFC™ Chain of Custody / Due Diligence

FSC trademark N002159
What are the greatest benefits and challenges you encountered using your traceability programme? How have you worked to overcome those challenges?
Caring for Climate
Business Leadership on Climate Change
Caring for Climate: Business leadership on Climate Change

- Launched by the UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in 2007, Caring for Climate is the United Nation’s initiative for business leadership on climate change.

- Provides a framework for business leaders to advance practical solutions and help shape public policy as well as public attitudes.
Caring for Climate: Global reach

- 400 signatories
- 60 countries
- 30 business sectors

The world’s largest initiative for business leadership on climate change
PRESS RELEASE

Declaration Would End Billions of Tons of Climate Pollution per Year, Restore 350 Million Hectares of Forest; Backed by Tangible Private Sector Commitments

Governments, Business, Civil Society Pledge to End Loss of Forests
Thank you!
Q & A
Thank you for joining us today.
Presentation slides and a recording of the webinar will be available on the UNGC website.

*If you have any additional questions, please contact:*

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