GTNN Regional Workshop
Latin America

Tentative Meeting Agenda

Date: 7-9 November 2018
Venue: Suites del Bosque Hotel, 165 Avenida Paz Soldan, Cercado de Lima, Municipalidad Metropolitana de Lima 15073, Peru

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Introduction

The GTTN Latin American Regional Workshop will address key issues related to the successful development of timber tracking tools and policies and promote their use to reduce illegal logging and associated trade worldwide. We will discuss the working papers on Standardization, on Laboratory Directory and Reference Database, and on the Communication and Advocacy Strategy. Furthermore, we will address practical questions and develop milestones for the future activities of the Working Groups.

Wednesday 7 November 09:00-17:00

08:30-09:00 Doors open, registration, coffee is served

Session 1: Introduction to GTTN

09:00-09:20 Opening of the meeting by representative of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany; Welcome by the meeting hosts

09:20-09:40 Introduction to GTTN concept and activities, by Jo Van Brusselen, EFI

09:40-09:55 Latin America within the global GTTN network, by Nele Schmitz, Thuenen Institute

09:55-10:10 Capitalizing on local scientific capacities - How Amazon countries identify wood and initiatives to improve the process of wood identification, by Vera Rauber Coradin, CITES Plants Committee, co-chair CITES Wood Identification Working Group.

10:10-10:30 Coffee break

Session 2: Wood identification methods in Latin American context

10:30-10:50 Wood anatomy: one app for amazon wood identification, by Alexandre Bahia-Gontijo, Brazilian Forest Service
10:50-11:10 Genetics: Results, experiences and challenges with large-scale genetic inventories of trees as basis for timber tracking, by Bernd Degen, Thuenen Institute

11:10-11:30 Stable isotopes, what are they? and how can we apply them to trace illegal logging in the tropics? By Kathelyn Paredes, PhD candidate, Universidad Autónoma Gabriel René Moreno (Bolivia)/Wageningen University (The Netherlands).

11:30-11:50 NIRS technology for wood and geographic origin identifications, by Tereza Pastore, Forest Products Laboratory, Brazilian Forest Service

11:50-12:10 Application of the DART-TOFMS mass spectrometry technology in Latin America, by Sandra Martínez-Jarquín, Cinvestav Irapuato

12:10-12:30 Presenters’ panel: discussion, questions and answers

12:30-13:30 Welcome for lunch

Session 3: Interests, demands and barriers for timber tracking in Latin America

13:30-13:50 Timber tracking, wood identification and the development of the forest information system in Peru, by Elena Rubio, SERFOR, Peru

13:50-14:10 Data-BOSQUE, system for improved management of timber operations in the forest, by William Pariona, GIZ

14:10-14:30 Potential of wood identification techniques in EIA investigations and case building in Latin America, by Julia Urrunaga and David Gehl, Environmental Investigation Agency

14:30-14:50 Challenges of sampling campaigns in Latin American and how to overcome them, by Dennis del Castillo Torres, Instituto de Investigaciones de la Amazonia Peruana

14:50-15:10 Presenters’ panel: discussion, questions and answers ...

15:10-15:30 Refreshments break
Session 4: Developing frameworks for cooperation


15:50-16:10 Sharing for caring. Technology, samples and data transfer in context of wood identification, by Pacyinz Lyfoung, PIIPA

16:10-16:30 A vision on a capacity platform for the application of wood identification technologies in the Amazon Bassin, by Alexandre Sebbenn, Forest Institute of Sao Paulo

16:30-16:50 Regional perspective on wood identification to track illegal logging activities, by Martin Córdova, Forest Director at Regional Government of Ucayali

16:50-17:10 Panel discussion on frameworks for regional cooperation on timber identification; discussion, questions and answers

18:00-20:00 You are kindly invited for dinner

Thursday 28 June 09:00-17:30

08:30-09:00 Doors open

Session 5: Towards a Latin American regional network node for GTTN

09:00-09:30 Introduction to the workshops concept

09:30-11:00 Mapping challenges and opportunities (participants choose two sessions to participate, signup at meeting registration desk)
Three consecutive and rotating sessions (45 minutes per topic):

- **Topic A.** How to develop a pathway towards strengthened regional cooperation? *(facilitator to be confirmed)*

  Under this topic we map what wood identification capacities exist in Latin America, how timber tracking could be integrated in chain-of-custody systems, what joint interests exist between different stakeholder groups and how successful coalitions could be forged to strengthen timber tracking cooperation both within countries, but also between Latin American countries.

- **Topic B.** Global cooperation for local protection, discussion on IPR and ABS *(facilitated by Pacyinz Lyfoung)*

  What collaboration is needed for operationalizing effective timber tracking in the region. What IP tools, capacity and technology building and sharing may facilitate this within the Latin American region and between regional and international partners. What system would empower most relevant stakeholders.

- **Topic C.** Evaluating the potential to develop a vessel atlas for Latin America *(facilitated by Nele Schmitz)*

  This session will present to you the recently published vessel atlas for the identification of Asian timbers in paper and pulp products that was developed by the Thünen Institute. It will be explained what would be needed to extend this atlas with tree species from Latin America and we will discuss the future options for its development.

11:00-11:30 Report-back in plenary and discussion

11:30-12:30 Lunch

**Session 6: Timber tracking: scientific session**

12:30-12:50 NIRS applications potential application in the ABT for the control of the wood, *by Estefanía P. Liendo Hoyos, Jefatura Nacional de Promoción de Desarrollo Integral de Bosques y Tierra (ABT)*

12:50-13:10 Developing genetic reference data for timber tracking in South America and Africa, *by Céline Blanc-Jolivet, Thuenen Institute*

13:10-13:30 Using SNP markers for differentiating Dipteryx species in South America, *by Euridice Honorio, Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP)*
13:30-13:50 by Alexandre

13:50-14:10 by Niklas

14:10-14:15 Housekeeping announcements related to the discussion sessions

14:15-14:45 coffee break

14:45 – 16:15 Mapping challenges and opportunities (participants choose two sessions to participate, signup at meeting registration desk)

Three consecutive and rotating sessions (45 minutes per topic):

- **Topic D.** Decision tree development and Laboratory mapping exercise *(facilitated by Nele Schmitz)*

  *During this workshop an identification key will be developed that will lead you to the most suitable method or combination of methods for the different questions, type of wood materials, test sample characteristics and identification requirements possible. The aim is to create a visual aid for the service provider directory but at the same time it will function as a poster view of the current capacity of the different wood identification tools and hence also be used for awareness raising.*

- **Topic E.** Timber species prioritization for reference data development *(facilitated by Jo Van Brusselen)*

  *GTTN is in the process of updating a tree species list to prioritize the sampling and the development of reference data. We will discuss about the criteria of regional importance for species priority setting, as well as about individual species prioritization.*

- **Topic F.** GTTN communications and advocacy in Latin America *(facilitated by José Bolanos)*

  *Communication and advocacy are key to the functioning of a global network. How could GTTN do better outreach in Latin America, with government and private sector stakeholders? What should be our key messages? Who are the best amplifiers of our messages? How would you like to help with this?*

16:15 -16:45 Report-back in plenary and discussion
**Friday 9 November 10:00-13:00**

10:00 bus transport departs in front of the meeting venue

**11:00-13:30 Excursion to SUNAT customs operations at Lima harbour : ensuring legal timber trade in practice**

For the afternoon we chartered a bus to visit Lima port for a demonstration of wood inspections and operations of the Superintendencia Nacional de Aduanas y de Administración Tributaria (SUNAT) operations.

13:30-14:30 bus transportation back to the meeting venue
The objective of the Global Timber Tracking Network (GTTN) is to promote the operationalization of innovative tools for wood identification and origin determination, to assist the fight against illegal logging and related trade around the globe. GTTN is an open alliance that cooperates along a joint vision and the network activities are financed through an open multi-donor approach. GTTN phase 2 coordination (2017-2019) is financed by the German Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).