

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT



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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TIMBER CERTIFICATION: EXPLORING FUTURE FRONTIERS

 15-16 March 2023

 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

 Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC) and the Institute for Environment and Development, (LESTARI) Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, are pleased to co-host the International Conference on Timber Certification: Exploring Future Frontiers on 15 - 16 March 2023 at Sunway Putra Hotel Kuala Lumpur, together with the Malaysian Timber Council (MTC), and the Malaysian Timber Industry Board (MTIB) as co-organisers.

Forests continue to be an important part of the global agenda since the landmark Rio Earth Summit in 1992. This is evident in the renewed calls for sustainable forest management in the Global Forest Goals and Targets of the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests 2030. Suitably, timber certification schemes have become critical tools in the sustainable management of forests and the production of sustainable sourced wood products. As consumer demands and global market trends continue to shift, there is greater urgency to adapt sustainability tools, such as timber certification, to ensure that they remain effective and innovative.

Since its inception in 2001, the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS) continues to evolve through an iterative process of continual improvement and engagement with all forestry related stakeholders. As of 31 December 2022, there are 37 forest management units with a total of 5.81 million hectares of forests, and 360 chain-of-custody certified companies under the MTCS.

Who should attend?

- Industry players
- Government agencies
- Research and academic institutions
- Environment and social interest group

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Why you should attend?

- Provide an overview of the implementation of the MTCS in Malaysia
- Showcase timber certification of other countries from around the region and across the globe
- Mainstream forest certification through greater adoption and acceptance by industries in the domestic and global timber trade and market
- Inspire confidence and increase visibility of sustainable timber products in the domestic and international market.

Participation Fee

Physical

Virtual

Local

- Public (RM100)
- Student (RM50)

- Public (RM50)
- Student (Complimentary)

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- Public (USD50)
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Tentative Programme

Day 1 (15 March, Wednesday)

8.00 am Registration

9.00 am **Welcoming Remarks**
Chairman
Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC)

Opening Remarks by Guest of Honour
YAB Dato' Sri Haji Fadillah Haji Yusof
Deputy Prime Minister and The Minister of
Plantation and Commodities Malaysia

9.30 am **KEYNOTE 1: Sustainable Timber and Future Pathways for 2030**
Sheam Satkuru,
Executive Director
International Tropical Timber Organization

10.00 am Coffee Break

10.30 am **THEME 1A: Mainstreaming Timber Certification for Sustainable Forest Management, Industry and Trade: Policy Implementation**

Experience of MTCS-PEFC Certification Implementation: Impact on the Sustainable Forest Management, Industry and Trade in Malaysia
Institute for Environment and Development (LESTARI) UKM and Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC)

Timber Certification for Sustainable Forest Management in Peninsular Malaysia
Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia

Timber Certification for Sustainable Forest Management in Sarawak
Forest Department Sarawak

Timber Certification for Sustainable Forest Management in Sabah
Sabah Forestry Department

12.30 pm Lunch

2.00 pm **THEME 1B: Mainstreaming Timber Certification for Sustainable Forest Management, Industry and Trade: Community and Industry Experience**

Synergies between Community and FMUs
Anap Muput Community Sarawak

Managing Pin Supu Forest Reserve: A Community Story
Kopel Berhad Sabah

Innovations in Implementing Forest Management Certification: Experiences of Ta Ann Group
Ta Ann Group, Sarawak

Innovation for Timber Certification Implementation: Experience of Maran Timber
Maran Timber, Pahang

Innovation for Timber Certification Implementation: Experience of Carl Ronnow (M) Sdn. Bhd Sabah
Carl Ronnow (M) Sdn. Bhd, Sabah

Forest Certification Role in Biodiversity Conservation and Community Enhancement in Royal Belum Perak
Shah Redza Hussein
Director,
Perak State Park Corporation

4.10 pm **DIALOGUE 1: MAINSTREAMING TIMBER CERTIFICATION FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT, INDUSTRY AND TRADE**

5.00 pm High Tea Reception

7.00 pm End of Day 1

Day 2 (16 March, Thursday)

8.30 am **KEYNOTE 2: Innovation of Timber Certification for Sustainable Timber Industry**
Michael Berger
Chief Executive Officer
PEFC International

9.00 am **THEME 2: Timber Certification: Case Studies from Around the World**

Better Practices, Better Planet 2030
Kathy Abusow
President & Chief Executive Officer
Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI), USA

**Partnership for Sustainable Timber Industry:
Australia and New Zealand Experience**

Simon Dorries,
Chief Executive Officer
Responsible Wood, Australia

**Forest, Timber and Non-Timber Product
Certification and Sustainable Partnerships**

Dr Vu Tan Phuong
Director
Vietnam Forest Certification Office

**Engagement and Protection of Workers' Rights
through Certification**

Apolinar Z. Tolentino, Jr.
Regional Representative
Building and Wood Workers' International,
BWI (Asia Pacific)

10.40 am Coffee Break

11.10 am THEME 3: Synergies in Timber Certification for a Sustainable Future

**Government Green Procurement in Supporting the
Certified Timber Products in Malaysia**

Ahmad Fauzi bin Sungip
Head of Section: Government Procurement Policy
Ministry of Finance Malaysia

**The Importance of Environmental, Social, and
Governance (ESG) for the Timber Industry**

Datin Azalina Adham
Managing Director
Securities Commission Malaysia

12.10 pm Lunch

**2.00 pm THEME 3: Synergies in Timber Certification
for a Sustainable Future**

**Green Building Index and Sustainable
Timber industry**

Associate Professor AR Sarly Adre bin Sarkum
Chairman
Green Building Index Malaysia

**Impact of Forest Certification on Biodiversity
Conservation and Protection**

Dr. Khairul Naim bin Adham
Secretary Division of Biodiversity Management
Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment and
Climate Change Malaysia (NRECC)

**Strategic Partnerships in Timber Certification:
A Regional Approach**

Germaine Yéné, Coordinator
Pan African Forest Certification (PAFC)

**3.45 pm DIALOGUE 2: FUTURE FRONTIERS FOR
TIMBER CERTIFICATION**

4.45 pm **CLOSING REMARKS**

5.00 pm **TEA BREAK AND END OF CONFERENCE**

THE DIALOGUE

**DIALOGUE 1:
MAINSTREAMING TIMBER CERTIFICATION
FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT,
INDUSTRY AND TRADE**

Established more than 20 years ago, the MTCS has continued to be at the forefront of tropical timber certification. With continual improvement and engagement with stakeholders, the MTCS remains an essential tool for sustainable forest management and continues to safeguard the integrity of the timber supply chain.

This dialogue will explore some of the impacts of timber certification as experienced by Malaysian stakeholders as well as identify some enabling conditions for the mainstreaming of timber certification.

**DIALOGUE 2:
FUTURE FRONTIERS FOR TIMBER
CERTIFICATION**

While the global acceptance for timber certification has been encouraging, there remains a need for schemes such as the MTCS to innovate in order to continue to be relevant to society. Strategic partnerships and cross-sectoral exchanges will only help timber certification schemes further take root.

This dialogue will identify some of the opportunities for innovation in timber certification and explore synergies within the forest sector and beyond.