FSC Global Network

Throughout 2016, FSC offices, stakeholders, and members strengthened the presence and impact of FSC around the world.

Asia Pacific
• The number of chain of custody certificates increased by almost 12 per cent to 9,515 in the Asia Pacific region.

North America
• More major corporate brands started using the FSC label on their products including: hot drink cups in McDonald’s (USA); snowboards manufactured by Burton; and the world’s first FSC-certified wetsuit designed by Patagonia.

Latin America
• In Brazil, at the beginning of 2016, FSC signed an agreement with Arcos Dorados (the largest McDonald’s franchise in Latin America) to ensure all its paper packaging is FSC certified.

Africa
• The Congo Basin Road Map Project began and the South African Controlled Wood National Risk Assessment working group was established.

Europe
• In April 2016, UEFA and EURO 2016 SAS unveiled the official EURO 2016 tickets that were made of FSC-certified paper and carried the FSC label.

Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) Region
• The number of detected cases of illegal logging decreased in the CIS region, the quality of group certification in Ukraine increased, and ASI improved its risk-based instruments to address its surveillance quality.

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Advocacy
FSC joined the Global Platform for Forest and Landscape Restoration. This confirms that those working on forest restoration projects can use FSC certification as a tool for environmental and social guidance, and to increase economic feasibility.

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Social Policy
In September, a series of events within the smallholder certification project, New Approaches, took place in different locations around the world.

Membership & Governance
87 new members joined FSC International in 2016. At the end of the year, there were a total of 889 international members guiding FSC across the globe, with 85 different countries represented.

Visibility
FSC launched a global campaign to celebrate the work of its Olympic torchbearers, the #ForestChampions, chosen for their commitment to responsible forestry. A series of videos achieved over 493,000 engagements and reached 5 million people on social media.

Quality Assurance
The documents FSC Policy for Association (PfA), PfA Due Diligence Procedure, and PfA Evaluation Procedure were revised in 2016.

Policy & Standards
Standards including: Demonstrating the impact of Forest Stewardship on Ecosystem Services; the FSC chain of custody standard; and Requirements for Sourcing FSC Controlled Wood were developed, updated or approved.

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