

# IMPROVING FOREST GOVERNANCE



## EU FAO FLEGT Programme

The EU-FAO Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Programme (**EU FAO FLEGT Programme**) is a four year initiative that started in May 2012, and is funded by the European Union (EU) and implemented by FAO. It is a follow on Programme to the ACP-FLEGT Support Programme. Its overall objective is to support the implementation of the Forest Law Enforcement and Governance Trade (FLEGT) Action Plan adopted by the EU in 2003.

### Beneficiaries:

The Programme beneficiaries are government institutions, civil society and private sector organizations in countries engaged in implementing a **Voluntary Partnership Agreement (VPA)** with the European Union and **Non-VPA** countries that produce timber products and / or have significant international trade in these products and are not engaged in the VPA process.

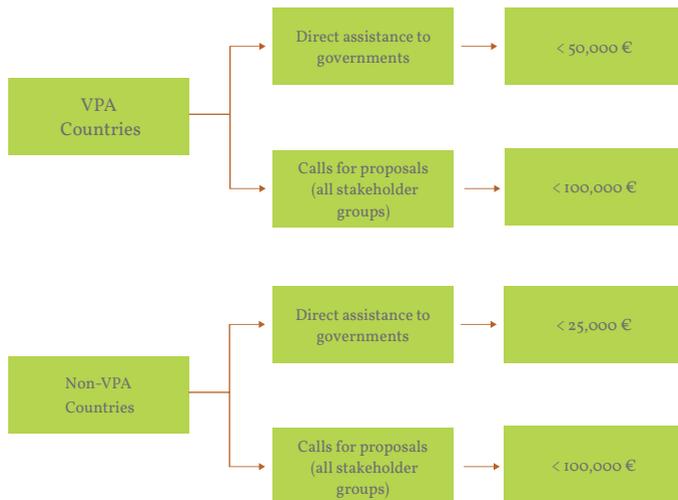
### Programme components:

1. Projects support to local stakeholder groups to put the EU FLEGT Action Plan into practice; and
2. Information services

**Projects support** is generated using demand driven mechanisms that target **VPA countries** and **Non-VPA countries** using two mechanisms:

- **Direct assistance** to governments provides support to projects that contributes to an ongoing national FLEGT strategy.
- **Calls for proposals** target specific forest governance challenges identified by government, civil society or private sector organizations.

**Information services** are provided to increase the availability of FLEGT-related information and knowledge and experiences among local stakeholder groups by supporting actions to improve understanding of the EU FLEGT Action Plan and the FLEGT process more generally.



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