



*International policy maker workshop*

## **"Implementation of Sustainability Assurance Frameworks: Ongoing Developments and Pending Issues"**

organised on **Friday, 6 March 2015, 9h00 – 16h30**, Elisabeth Room,  
Leopold Hotel Brussels EU, Rue du Luxembourg 35, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium

### **Programme**

**Moderation:** Martin Junginger (Copernicus Institute, Utrecht University)

**9:00 Session 1: Update on ongoing policy developments in the four countries & presentation of the outcome of the questionnaire**

**Policy developments in Belgium, Denmark, The Netherlands and UK**

Presented by country representatives

**Questionnaire review regarding GHG calculations and SFM certification**

Thuy Mai-Moulin (Copernicus institute, Utrecht University)

**10:30 Coffee break**

**10:45 Session 2: GHG accounting: methodologies and actual verification**

**How to demonstrate compliance with GHG criteria?**

**Can harmonisation of GHG calculations be achieved?**

Jacopo Giuntoli (JRC) - JRC default GHG emissions calculations for solid and gaseous biomass

John Neeft (BioGrace) - BioGrace & Implementation of GHG accounting into national legislation

Brian Denvir (E4tech) - Greenhouse Gas Accounting for Solid & Gaseous Biomass - the UK Approach

Catherine Neve (SGS) - Biomass GHG accounting, Belgian case: Methodology and actual verification

**12:30 Lunch break**

**13:15 Session 3: Debate on sustainable forest management**

**What are the benefits and risks of a risk-based approach?**

**Is stand-level certification needed?**

Brian Kittler (Pinchot Institute) - U.S. Pellet Exports: Perspectives on environmental risks and risk mitigation methodologies

Peter Feilberg (NEPCon) - Benefits and risks of a risk-based approach – based on case studies in Eastern Europe

Nigel Burdett (Drax) - Sustainable Forest Management - Current practices and future developments

**15:15 Coffee break**

**15:30 Session 4: General moderated discussion**

**16:30 End of Workshop**

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