FSC in the World

Markets and Governments of many developed countries currently demand forest products, originating from legal and well-managed sources. Forest Stewardship council scheme is providing the globally recognized assurance in that.

Forest Stewardship council is currently a global leader in delivering certified products on ecologically sensitive markets:

In November 2005 FSC has registered:

- 67,2 mln ha of certified forests
- 65 countries – producers of FSC products
- 4200 Chain of custody certificates – more than any other certification scheme
- National initiatives in 34 countries of the World

FSC in Russia

In the beginning of 2005 in Russia was around 2 Mln ha of certified forests, and in November 2005 – already 6,5 Mln ha! Certified forests are located in North-West Russia, South of Siberia, Russian Far East – totally in 10 administrative regions of Russia. Around 7-10 Mln ha of forests are in the process of FSC certification in 20 administrative regions and might be certified within 2-3 year period.

Companies with FSC certificate, or in the process of FSC certification

In October 2005 Russia has reached the 3rd place in the World by area of FSC certified forests.

Russian companies, implementing forest certification are among the leaders of forest industry. This is::

- Ilim Pulp corporation
- Titan group / Archangelsk Pulp and Paper
- Mondi business paper Syktyvkar
- JSC Volga
- Solombala sawmill /Forest plant 3
- Onega LDK
- LDK-1 (Lesosibirsk)
- Novoeniseysk KLP
- Cherepovetsles
- Terneyles and others

Recently several well-known international companies, including Stora Enso, Swedwood, Kronospan started implementation of FSC certification for their operations in Russia.

Services on FSC certification in Russia

Six international FSC certification bodies are operating in Russia. The biggest projects are implemented by GFA, SGS, Smartwood, which have their representatives in the country. Russian companies are preparing for accreditation as well – eg. Europartner company.

Consulting services for preparation to certification and execution of corrective actions are provided by Certification Centers, located in Archangelsk, Kirov, Moscow, Krasnoyarsk and other cities.

A range of FSC training programs is functioning. The biggest training program, in the framework of WWF-IKEA partnership, has trained over 250 people.

FSC National office in Russia

The coordination and resource center for FSC certification is National office, located in Moscow. Adress: 119017, Moscow, Staromonetny 29, office 66, FSC, Pritchikov Andrei. Tel. (095) 959-00-29, fax (095) 959-00-27, aptichikov@yandex.ru, web-site www.fsc.ru (opening in December 2005).