FSC AND THE REMEDY FRAMEWORK

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AT A GLANCE



We lead the world's most rigorous and trusted forest certification system, trusted by NGOs, consumers, and businesses alike.

30

years of operation

160+

million certified hectares of forest

1,200+

individuals and organizations make up our governing body across 92 countries

85

locally-adapted forest stewardship standards

46%

of consumers globally recognize the FSC logo

1,600+

companies licenced to promote FSC-labelled products

60K+

certifications that verify sustainable sourcing

#1

most recognized, trusted, and rigorous forest certification system



FOREST STEWARDSH ROUNCIL

FSC ®provides forest stewardship standards that enable:

Responsible sourcing

Conservation

Restoration

We **verify supply chains** so markets can work with forests responsibly.

We work with key organizations to maintain and enhance forest value.

We convene stakeholders and set policies to accelerate forest recovery.

TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE VALUES



FSC® standards protect forests. FSC forests meet the most rigorous and trusted standards for sustainable forestry:

- preventing deforestation and degradation
- fighting the climate and biodiversity crises
- protecting rare and endangered species
- upholding the rights of Indigenous Peoples
- ensuring fair wages and safe working conditions.



FSC IS BUILT ON DEMOCRACY AND EQUALITY

FSC is the pioneer of a multi-stakeholder governance system that gives equal weight to economic, environmental, and social perspectives – an approach respected by many NGOs as the gold standard.

Membership Driven - Fundamentally Balanced



33.3% Social



Local People and Society at Large

33.3% Environmental



Biodiversity and Ecological Protection

33.3% Economic



Responsible and Economically Viable

WHAT IS THE FSC REMEDY FRAMEWORK?



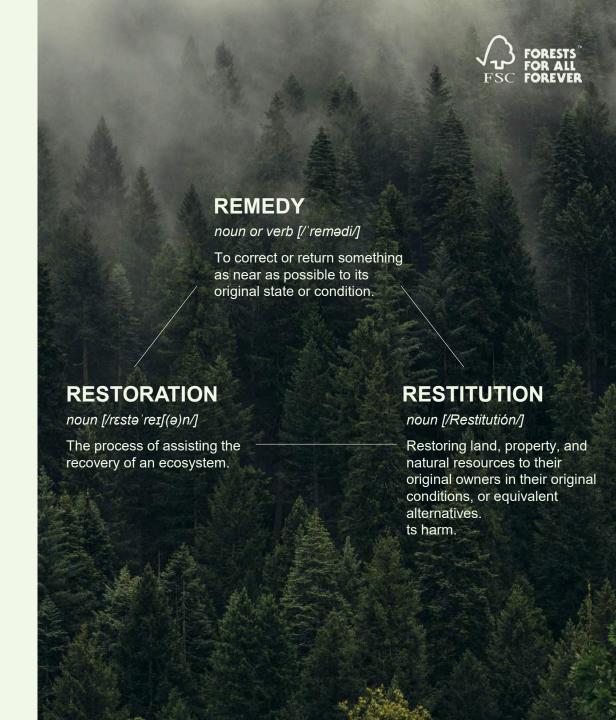
Remedy – It's time to heal the forest and its people

The FSC Remedy Framework defines the journey for forest converted between 1994 and 2020 to seek eligibility for FSC Forest Management certification.

Further, it defines a standardized procedure for organizations, expelled from the FSC system for engaging in the worst kinds of forest management practices to start engaging with FSC again.

Remedy impact

- Restoration of degraded forest landscapes to recover natural ecosystems
- Conservation of natural forest landscapes
- Restitution of resilient forest peoples and communities
- Encouraging the establishment of **UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights** complaint grievance mechanisms in forest management operations

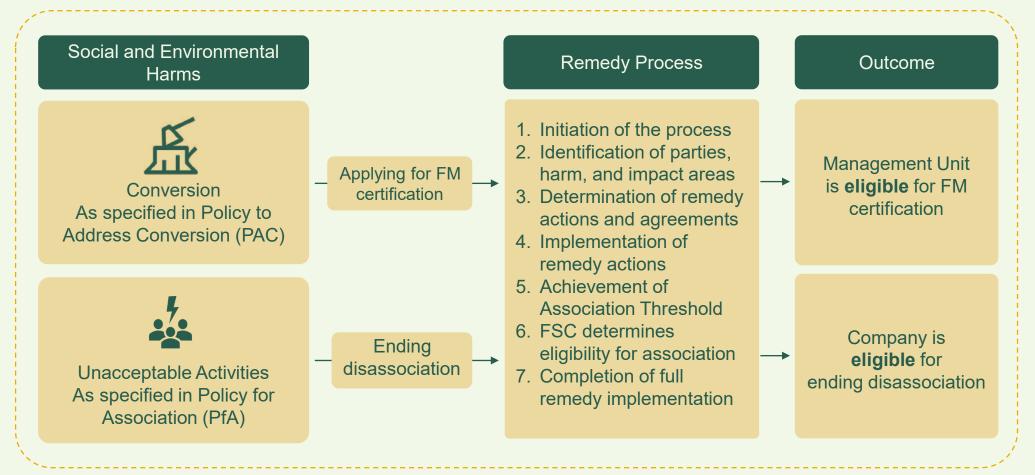


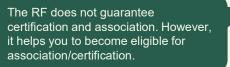
What is the FSC Remedy Framework





Every forest deserves a second chance – and the FSC Remedy Framework provides a pathway for forest landscapes and the people dependent on forests to heal and regenerate.







WHY THE FSC REMEDY FRAMEWORK?







ROLES IN IMPLEMENTATION: APRIL's ROLE VS. FSC's ROLE





APRIL implements the remedy process:

- Responsible for ensuring that the provisions of the RF are met
- The outcomes of their actions are validated by independent third-party verifiers
- Responsible for ensuring that stakeholder engagement requirements of the RF are met



FSC <u>facilitates</u> implementation of the remedy process: Develop systems to enable companies to complete their remedy processes:

- Building pool of Independent Assessors and Third Party Verifiers (TPVs)
- Managing data portal in which remedy process updates will be shared,
 along with implementation reports verified by TPVs

MUTUAL EXPECTATIONS





FSC expects stakeholders to:

- Participate actively in the opportunities created
- Socialize the government with the objectives, foundation and outcomes

FSC is committed to:

- Sharing updates regularly and transparently.
- Upholding the rigor of verification that is embedded in the RF and its implementation
- No greenwashing



WHAT IS AT STAKE: IMPORTANCE OF THE REMEDY PROCESSES





The first remedy process: It will generate learnings that will enable FSC to strengthen the remedy systems that are being built

Environment:

restoration.

- The remedy process will result in XX million hectares being restored. An important contribution to Indonesia's NDC targets
- The process will generate high levels of ecosystem benefits such as biodiversity rehabilitation, carbon sequestration, watershed management, etc.

Social:

- Benefits of social remediation activities that APRIL will carry out
- Affected rightsholders will be able to participate in the development of APRIL's remedy plan
- FPIC opportunities and other consultation activities will determine social restitution and environmental

EXPECTATIONS OF APRIL - AND WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?





Expectations of APRIL:

- Strong efforts and goodwill in implementing the remedy framework
- High quality efforts demonstrated through verification reports
- Open exchange on challenges and difficulties throughout the implementation process.
- Working together to find constructive solutions to challenges



Success criteria for FSC:

- Capturing our learnings from the implementation of this first case
- Seeing positive environmental restoration and social benefits from the process of APRIL remedying past environmental and social harms
- Increased level of trust towards APRIL by NGOs and stakeholders due to the remedy outcomes





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