PEFC Interactive Database on Forest Certification Launched on Web

We are very pleased to announce today that the PEFC Council has today launched a new website giving customers the opportunity to gain valuable information on the origins of the timber they are buying which carries a PEFC logo.

Part of the PEFC Logo is the Logo Registration number which clearly identifies a user of the logo. Customers can type the logo number into our website and find out which organisation has certified the timber, whether the certificate is currently valid and much more.

This is achieved by logging onto our website [www.pefc.org](http://www.pefc.org) and typing in the logo registration number found on the timber product or supporting documentation.

The WebPage gives information on PEFC certificate holders, both forest management and Chain of Custody, PEFC Logo Users and Statistical Information.
**PEFC Certificate Holders**

By simply typing in one of the following: Forest Owner Name, Organisation Name, Certificate Number, or Certification Body you can get a response back which provides you with information on holders of the forest management or Chain of Custody certificates. You can find out contact information about the organisation, the certificate, certifying body and PEFC Logo licence.

**PEFC Logo Users**

When a timber product has a PEFC logo on it or a PEFC logo is used in promotional materials you can simply go to the relevant query section on the site, type in one of the following: Forest Owner Name, Organisation Name, Logo Licence Number and it will provide you with information about the Organisation using the logo, the certificate, certifying body and the PEFC Logo licence.
Statistical Information

We have provided some statistical data based on the most usual requests for information received. This data is available in a table which is arranged by country, and provides information on the amount of certified forest area, number of Chain of Custody certificates, number of PEFC logo users.

Information about certified forest is further available as a statistic showing breakdown of type of certification (regional, group or individual), number of issued certificates and number of participating forest owners. The logo users information are further divided according to type of logo users (National Governing Bodies, Forest Owners and Managers, Industry/Trade/Distributors, Other Actors (non-commercial users)).
### PEFCC Logo Usage Licences

The PEFC logo is copyright material and is a registered trademark, owned by the PEFC Council. Any organisation/company, seeking the right to use the PEFC logo and trademark, has to obtain an official license from the PEFC Council, or from the National PEFC Governing Body acting under contract on behalf of the PEFC Council.

The PEFC Council has now issued contracts to each of the National Governing Bodies to allow them to issue sub-licences on behalf of the PEFCC in accordance with the logo usage rules as outlined in Annex 7 of the PEFC Technical Document.

This means that certified products bearing the PEFC logo can now be traced using the PEFC logo database.

Each logo user has a registration number, which will allow customers and members of the public to identify them and their chain of custody or forest management certificate.

An example of how the licence registration number works is outlined in the diagram below:

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#### PEFCC Logo Usage Registration Number

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<th>License Sequence Number</th>
<th>Sub-Licence Number</th>
<th>Type of PEFC Logo Usage Category</th>
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**Type of Forest Management Certification** *(if Category 2)*

**Type of C-o-C certification** *(if Category 3)*

**Type of non-commercial users** *(if Category 4)*