List of Founding Members

The following national organisations (All national organisations to be endowed with legal personality: names, forms, nationalities and addresses, and the statutes must be signed by duly authorised physical persons):

1) PEFC Austria – Alser Strasse 21/1/5 – A1080 Wien – Austria – Association,
2) Woodnet – Galerie du Centre Bloc 2 – B-1000 Bruxelles – Belgium – Association sans but lucrative,
3) The Council of the National Certification Centre – Nabrezni 1326 – 25044 Brandys Mad Labem – Czech Republic – Association,
4) Forest Certification Council – c/o the Finnish Forest Research Institute, P.O. Box 68 – Fin-80101 Joensuu – Finland – Association,
5) PEFC France – 6 avenue de Saint Mandé – 75012 Paris – France – Association loi de 1901,
6) PEFC Council of Ireland – A&L Goodbody, 1 Earlsfort Centre, Hatch Street – Dublin2 – Ireland – Association,
7) PEFC Norway- c/o The Norwegian Forest Owners’ Federation, P.O. Box 1438, Vika – N-0115 Oslo – Norway – Association,
8) Conselho Fileira Florestal Portuguese – Av. Antonio Serpa-23-2° Esq – 1000 Lisboa – Portugal – Association,
9) CEF (Certificacion Espanola Forestal) – Hileras 17 1°C – 28013 Madrid – Spain – Association,
10) Swedish PEFC Interim Board – c/o Skogsagarna – 10533 Stockholm – Sweden – Association,
11) HWK-Zertifizierungsstelle – c/o Waldwirtschaft Verband Schweiz, Rosenweg 14, Postfach - CH4501, Solothurn – Switzerland – Association,

Whereas:

- “Pan European Forest Certification” abbreviated (PEFC) is a voluntary private sector initiative based on a broad view among relevant interested parties on sustainable forest management at the national or regional level.
- PEFC offers a framework for the establishment of mutually compatible national forest certification systems and their mutual recognition.
- PEFC aims at strengthening and improving the positive image of forestry and wood as a renewable raw material.
- PEFC contributes to the promotion of economically viable, environmentally appropriate and socially beneficial management of forests.
- PEFC gives assurance to customers and the general public that forests certified under the program are managed according to the six Pan European criteria for sustainable forest management.
- PEFC is based on independent third party audit.
- PEFC is based on regional certification levels and is open for other options if appropriate.

Now therefore have decided to constitute a non profit-making association having the statutes hereafter indicated.

Dated 29 June 1999