

The ten FSC Principles require the forest owner or manager to do the following

PRINCIPLE 1 : Compliance with laws and FSC Principles – to comply with all laws, regulations, treaties, conventions and agreements, together with all FSC Principles and Criteria.

PRINCIPLE 2 : Workers' rights and employment conditions - The Organization shall maintain or enhance the social and economic well-being of workers.

PRINCIPLE 3 : Indigenous peoples' rights - The Organization shall identify and uphold indigenous peoples' legal and customary rights of ownership, use and management of land and resources.

PRINCIPLE 4 : Community relations - The Organization shall contribute to maintaining or enhancing the social and economic well-being of local communities. Community relations and workers' rights – to maintain or enhance forest workers' and local communities' social and economic well-being.

PRINCIPLE 5: Benefits from the forest - The Organization shall efficiently manage the range of multiple products and services of the Management Unit to maintain or enhance long term economic viability and the range of environmental and social benefits.

PRINCIPLE 6 : Environmental values and impact - The Organization shall maintain, conserve and/or restore ecosystem services and environmental values of the Management Unit, and shall avoid, repair or mitigate negative environmental impacts.

PRINCIPLE 7 : Management planning - The Organization shall have a management plan consistent with its policies and objectives and proportionate to scale, intensity and risks of its management activities. The management plan shall be implemented and kept up to date based on monitoring information in order to promote adaptive management.

PRINCIPLE 8 : Monitoring and assessment - The Organization shall demonstrate that progress towards achieving the management objectives, the impacts of management activities and the condition of the Management Unit, are monitored and evaluated proportionate to the scale, intensity and risk of management activities, in order to implement adaptive management.

PRINCIPLE 9 : High conservation values - The Organization shall maintain and/or enhance the high conservation values forests in the Management Unit through applying the precautionary approach.

PRINCIPLE 10 : Implementation of management activities - Management activities conducted by or for the Organization for the Management Unit shall be selected and implemented consistent with the Organization's economic, environmental and social policies and objectives.