

*International policy maker workshop***"Implementation of Sustainability Assurance Frameworks:
Ongoing Developments and Pending Issues"**

organised on **Friday, 6 March 2015, 9h00 – 16h30**, Elisabeth Room,
Leopold Hotel Brussels EU, Rue du Luxembourg 35, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium

Programme

Moderation: Martin Junginger (Copernicus Institute, Utrecht University)

**9:00 Session 1: Update on ongoing policy developments in the four countries & presentation
of the outcome of the questionnaire**

Policy developments in Belgium, Denmark, The Netherlands and UK

Presented by country representatives

Questionnaire review regarding GHG calculations and SFM certification

Thuy Mai-Moulin (Copernicus institute, Utrecht University)

10:30 Coffee break

10:45 Session 2: GHG accounting: methodologies and actual verification

How to demonstrate compliance with GHG criteria?

Can harmonisation of GHG calculations be achieved?

Jacopo Giuntoli (JRC) - JRC default GHG emissions calculations for solid and gaseous biomass

John Neeft (BioGrace) - BioGrace & Implementation of GHG accounting into national legislation

Brian Denvir (E4tech) - Greenhouse Gas Accounting for Solid & Gaseous Biomass - the UK
Approach

Catherine Neve (SGS) - Biomass GHG accounting, Belgian case: Methodology and actual
verification

12:30 Lunch break

13:15 Session 3: Debate on sustainable forest management

What are the benefits and risks of a risk-based approach?

Is stand-level certification needed?

Brian Kittler (Pinchot Institute) - U.S. Pellet Exports: Perspectives on environmental risks and risk
mitigation methodologies

Peter Feilberg (NEPCon) - Benefits and risks of a risk-based approach – based on case
studies in Eastern Europe

Nigel Burdett (Drax) - Sustainable Forest Management - Current practices and future
developments

15:15 Coffee break

15:30 Session 4: General moderated discussion

16:30 End of Workshop

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