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# List of approved national Group Chain of Custody eligibility criteria

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## LIST OF APPROVED NATIONAL GROUP CHAIN OF CUSTODY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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FSC's vision is that the world's forests meet the social, ecological, and economic rights and needs of the present generation without compromising those of future generations.

## **A Objective**

This addendum lists the national group CoC eligibility criteria which have been developed in accordance to the process specified in *FSC-PRO-40-003 Development of national Group Chain of Custody eligibility criteria* and which have been evaluated and approved by FSC.

## **B References**

The following referenced documents are relevant for the application of this document. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

*FSC-STD-01-002 FSC glossary of terms*

*FSC-STD-40-003 Chain of Custody certification of multiple sites*

*FSC-PRO-40-003 Development of national Group Chain of Custody eligibility criteria*

## **C Terms and definitions**

Terms and definitions are provided in *FSC-STD-01-002 FSC glossary of terms*.

**Participating Site:** Site included in the scope of a Multi-site or Group COC certificate. Subcontractors that are used within the terms of outsourcing agreements are not considered Participating Sites.

**Total Annual Turnover:** Total revenue of an Organization derived from the provision of goods and services, less trade discounts, VAT, and any other taxes based on this revenue. In the context of Group CoC certification, turnover refers to the total annual revenue (gross annual sales) from all goods and services of an Organization, not just certified forest-based products (wood and non-timber forest products). The annual turnover refers to the most recently completed fiscal year.

## 1 National eligibility criteria for Group CoC certification

### 1.1 Table of approved nationally developed eligibility criteria:

| Country<br>Region | Approval<br>Date       | Eligibility Criteria  |  |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|--|
|                   |                        | # of employees  | Annual Turnover  |
| USA               | 20 July 2010           | No restriction  | No more than \$<br>5,000,000 (USD) total<br>annual forest products<br>turnover |
| Germany           | 12<br>December<br>2014 | No more than 15<br>employees (full time<br>equivalent); <b>or</b> | No more than €<br>3,000,000 (Euro) total<br>annual turnover                    |
| Italy             | 25 March<br>2016       | No more than 15<br>employees (full time<br>equivalent); <b>or</b> | No more than €<br>2,000,000 (Euro) total<br>annual turnover                    |

NOTE: The generic Group CoC eligibility criteria specified in FSC-STD-40-003 remain unchanged.

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