

Template for submission of scientific and technical comments on Appendix 1 of the recommendation adopted by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for the Resumed Session of its twenty-fourth meeting

TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS

Review comments on Appendix 1 of the present recommendation	
Scope of this template for comments	Template for submitting comments in accordance with recommendation CBD/SBSTTA/REC/24/2, paragraph 2, where the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), under the guidance of the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA), invites Parties, other Governments and relevant stakeholders to submit views on Appendix 1 of the recommendation.
Contact information	
Party/Government/Observer	Observer
Party/Government/Observer representative	Forest Stewardship Council A.C.
Comments	
<p>Please provide any general comments on the Appendix 1.</p> <p>"General observations: - Calibrate headline indicators with component and complementary indicators. - Connect headline indicators providers with component and complementary ones to explore synergies and opportunities for further collaboration. Specific recommendations: - Target 16 – The proposed headline indicators do not currently convey the full intent of target 16. Robust and trusted certification schemes are clear mechanisms to encourage people to make responsible consumption choices. Therefore, mentioning certification schemes as a headline indicator would significantly strengthen the information collected. The right metric would be Chain of Custody certificates, and the indicator would look like: Number of Chain of Custody Certificates by distribution of country provided by world trusted Certification Schemes This indicator data is already existing and readily available. Organizations such as ISEAL or FSC could help consolidate this existing data. In addition, the existing complementary indicator t14.2. Number of MSC Chain of Custody Certification holders by distribution country, could be more suitable for target 16 and expanded to other Chain of Custody Certificates (E.g. Number of FSC Chain of Custody Certification holders by distribution country)."</p>	