

<b>ADVICE-20-001-XX</b>	<b>Qualification requirements for auditors conducting Controlled Wood evaluations at FMU level</b>
Normative reference	FSC-STD-20-001 V3-0, Annex 3, Section 3 FSC-STD-40-005 V2-1, Annex 3 FSC-STD-30-010 V2-0
Approval	Approved by the FSC Executive Director on <b>XXXX</b> . This Advice is based on the recommendations developed by the Controlled Wood Technical Committee (CWTC), established to revise the FSC Controlled Wood system (see GA Motion 2011:51).
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Background	FSC-STD-20-001 V3-0, Annex 3 provides the minimum qualification requirements for Certification Body teams of auditors evaluating controlled wood at Forest Management Unit (FMU) level. This advice note provides additional requirements on the required expertise and expected competence of Certification Body auditors evaluating Controlled Wood at FMU level.
Advice	<p>1 Certification Body evaluation teams conducting controlled wood evaluations at FMU level, including audits against FSC-STD-30-010 and FSC-STD-40-005, Annex 3, shall be qualified according to the requirements specified in FSC-STD-20-001 V3-0, Annex 3, Section 3. Additionally the controlled wood evaluation team shall include at least one team member with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) forest management expertise in the country from which the controlled wood is being sourced;</li> <li>b) trained in all aspects of the applicable controlled wood standard under the scope of the evaluation;</li> <li>c) expertise, and demonstrated competence in evaluating the unacceptable sourcing types not classified as low risk according to the FSC controlled wood standards:</li> </ul> <p><b>Forest legality:</b> Expected competences include knowledge of applicable legislation covered by the FSC legality definition and ability to evaluate the Management Unit's compliance with the legislation including identification of credible evidence and ability to evaluate the risk of corruption in connection with issues of licensing, permits and other documents.</p> <p><b>Traditional and Civil Rights:</b> Expected competences include knowledge and understanding of social related issues within the area used for wood sourcing by the Organization. Excellent stakeholder consultation skills are expected.</p> <p><b>High Conservation Values (HCVs):</b> Expected competences include ability to evaluate the types of HCVs presents within the Organization's sourcing areas and the related threats from forest management activities.</p> <p><b>Conversion:</b> Expected competences include knowledge on conversion risks within the sourcing area of the organization.</p> <p><b>Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO):</b> Expected competences include ability to evaluate the risk of GMO species within the Organization's sourcing area.</p>