

# THE IMPACT OF FSC CERTIFICATION INTO THE FOREST REFORMS IN LITHUANIA

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- ✓ 2017. Kick-off of the first ever National **FSC Forest Stewardship Standard of Lithuania**
- ✓ 2017. Kick-off the **public forest management company reform**
- ✓ 2017. First ever **FSC group certification scheme** of local private forest owners' developed



## After 2020:

✓ Price premiums

Demand ✓ for FSC in public procurement

✓ Protecting High Conservation Values

✓ Respecting local communities

✓ Ensuring fair wages and safe working conditions

Developing ✓ Ecosystem Services and NTFPs



# Key take aways

- Balance is a key: **socially** responsible, **economically** viable, **environmentally** friendly
- **Ecosystem Services** (biodiversity, air, water, culture, carbon, soil, recreation) as balancing solution
- **NTFPs** – honey, mead, herbs, birch sap, sauna vantas, etc.
- Be proactive. **Inform FSC** well in advance (for example: conversion, number of FMUs, etc.)
- **Certification Bodies** (English language?)
- **EUDR** is in place
- Standard is able to **open the doors, but it can close** too. Be very careful





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# Thank you



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