## **OUTSMART**

# $\frac{Timber\ \&\ Wood\ Product\ Sourcing\ and\ Use\ Policy}{V1.0\ July\ 2018}$

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#### Introduction

Outsmart Members are committed to sourcing and using wood-based products including paper, in an environmentally and socially responsible manner. We support the sustainable management of the World's forests as renewable resources for the products we use and we endeavour to mitigate the risk of contributing to unsustainable and/or illegal practices.

This policy seeks to promote responsible sourcing of wood and wood fibre and, as such, we require that all wood-based products used by our members are in compliance with this policy from 1/1/19.

#### Requirements

We will only accept wood and wood fibre products (including paper), that comply with the requirements of and are certified by, the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) or the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

#### **Recycled Materials**

We fully support the use of recycled materials.

#### Implementation and Evidence of Compliance

Outsmart Members will be monitoring compliance with this policy and will request regular reports from our supply chain including periodic audits as appropriate.

#### Review

This policy will be regularly reviewed to ensure that it continues to meet the requirements of Outsmart members.

#### **Background Information**

For more details go to:

www.pefc.org

www.fsc-uk.org

www.gov/eu-timber-regulation-guidance-for-business-and-industry