

The role of Sustainable Forest Management in the food value chain

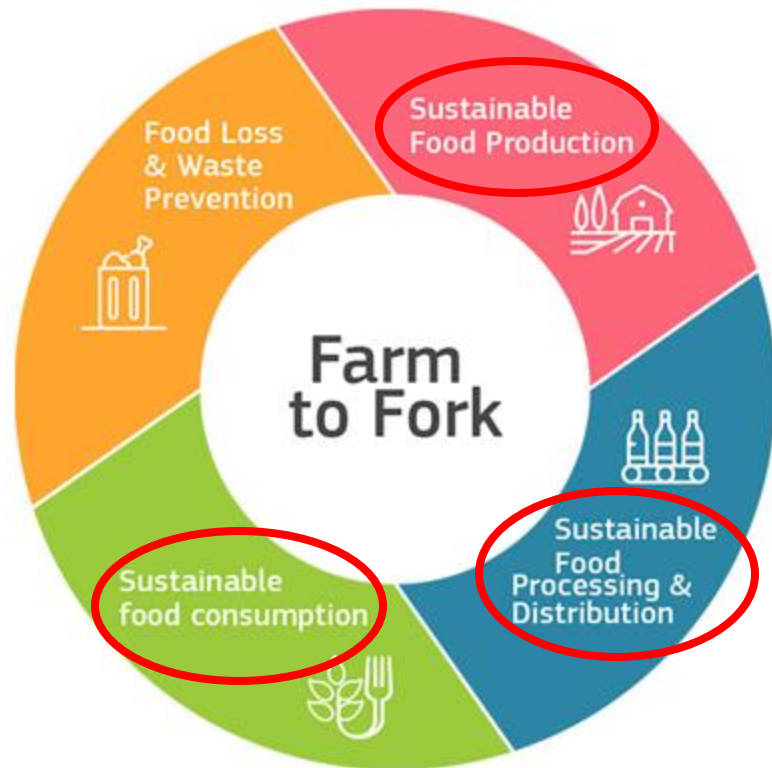
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The role of certification in the future of EU sustainable food production

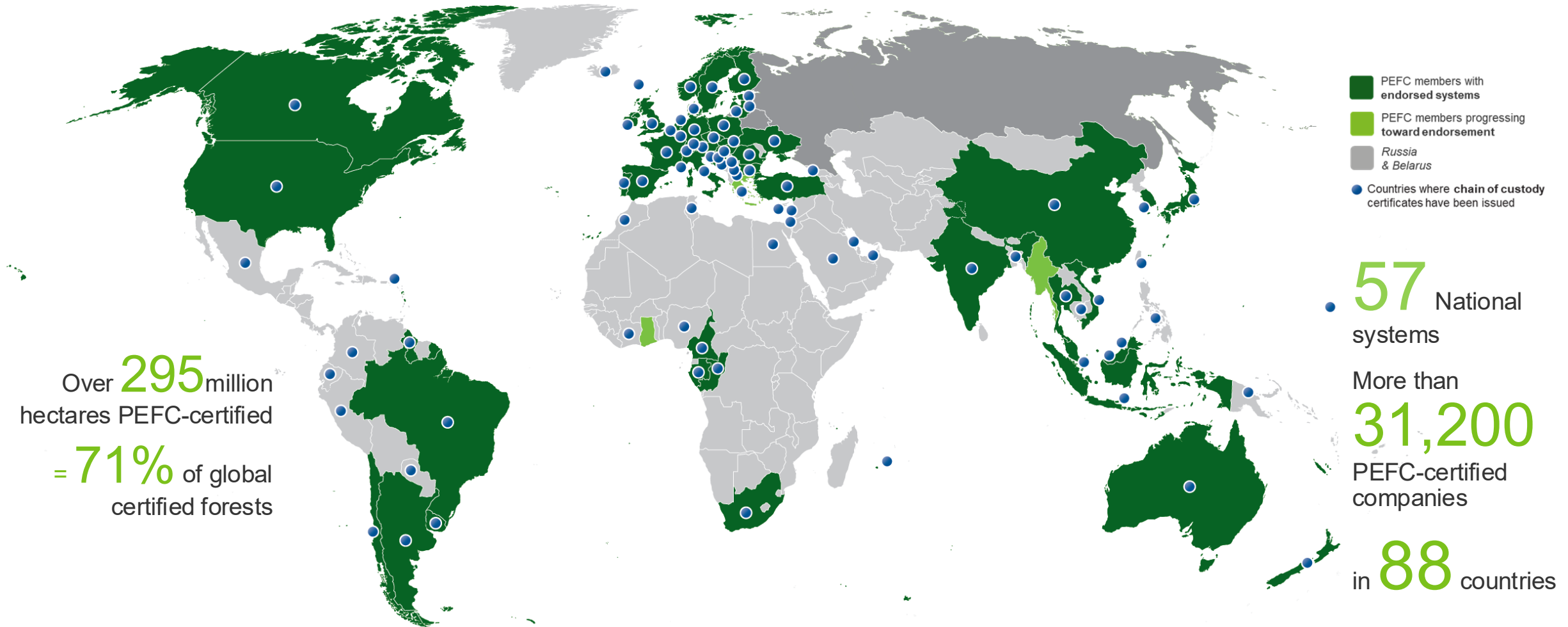


[...] Combined with **certification and labelling** on the sustainability performance of food products and with targeted incentives, the framework will allow operators to benefit from sustainable practices and progressively raise sustainability standards so as to become the norm for all food products placed on the EU market. [...]

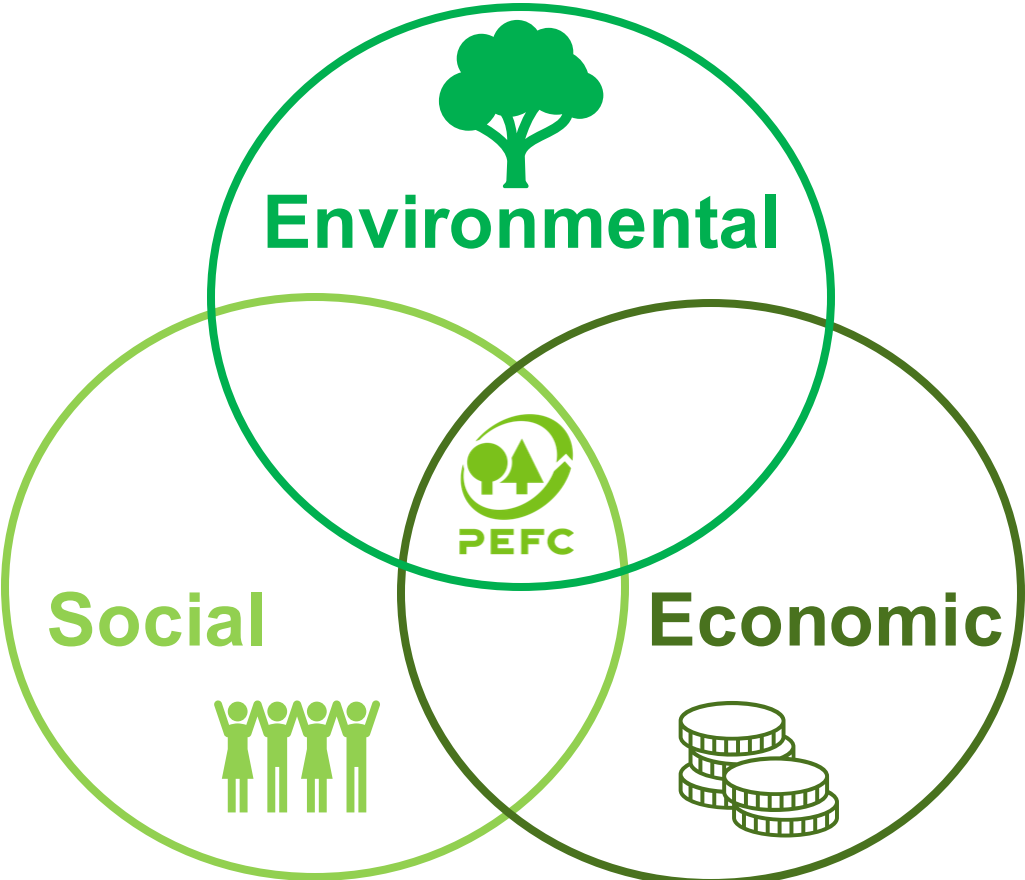


- Demonstration of sustainable practices
- Market access
- Price premiums
- Informed consumer choices

PEFC leading forest certification scheme



What does sustainable forest management mean?



Sustainable harvesting



Indigenous People Rights



Biodiversity protection



No deforestation



Gender equality & Fair Labor Conditions



Ecosystem Services protection



Future generations



Economically viable



Forest Health

Non-Wood Forest Products



Products consisting of goods of biological origin other than wood, derived from forests



Certification to demonstrate the products is sourced from sustainably managed forests



Use of chestnuts, resin and biomass from resinous pine trees to promote rural development and fire prevention

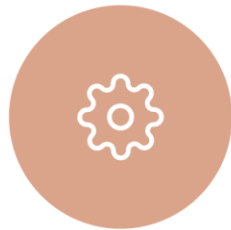
List of actions to be performed



Promote sustainable forest management of Atlantic pine stands



Evaluate the viability of the brand NATURAL RESIN OF EUROPE



Evaluate the productive potential of chestnut production and biomass/resin



Development of technical-economic models to create quality employment



Revitalization of the population linked to forestry activities



Transfer of generated knowledge

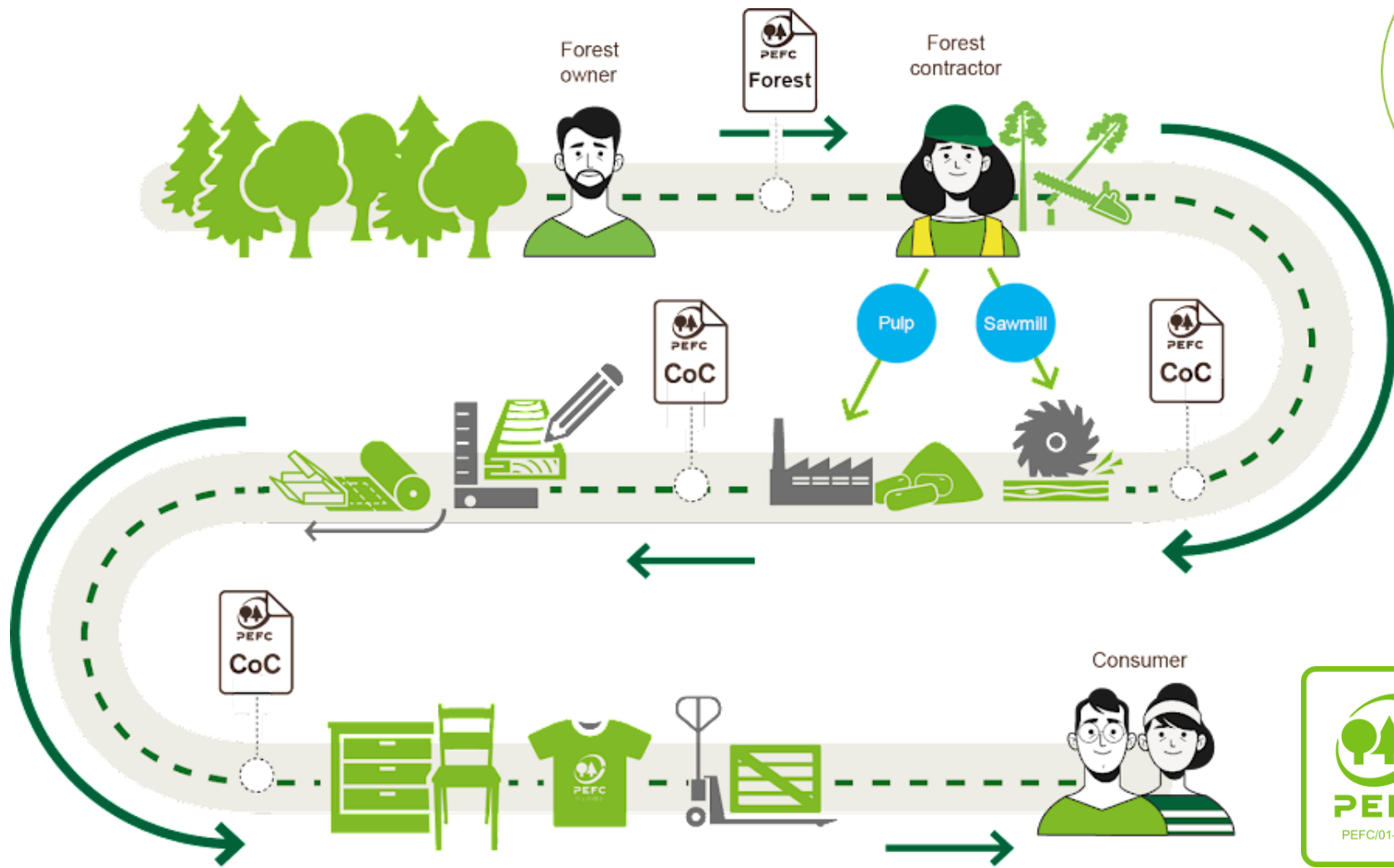
The role of SFM certification in food distribution



“Food packaging plays a key role in the sustainability of food systems”.



PEFC Certificate in Action



Certification bodies = auditors



 PEFC Certified
This Packaging is from sustainably managed forests
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Cork (*Quercus suber*)

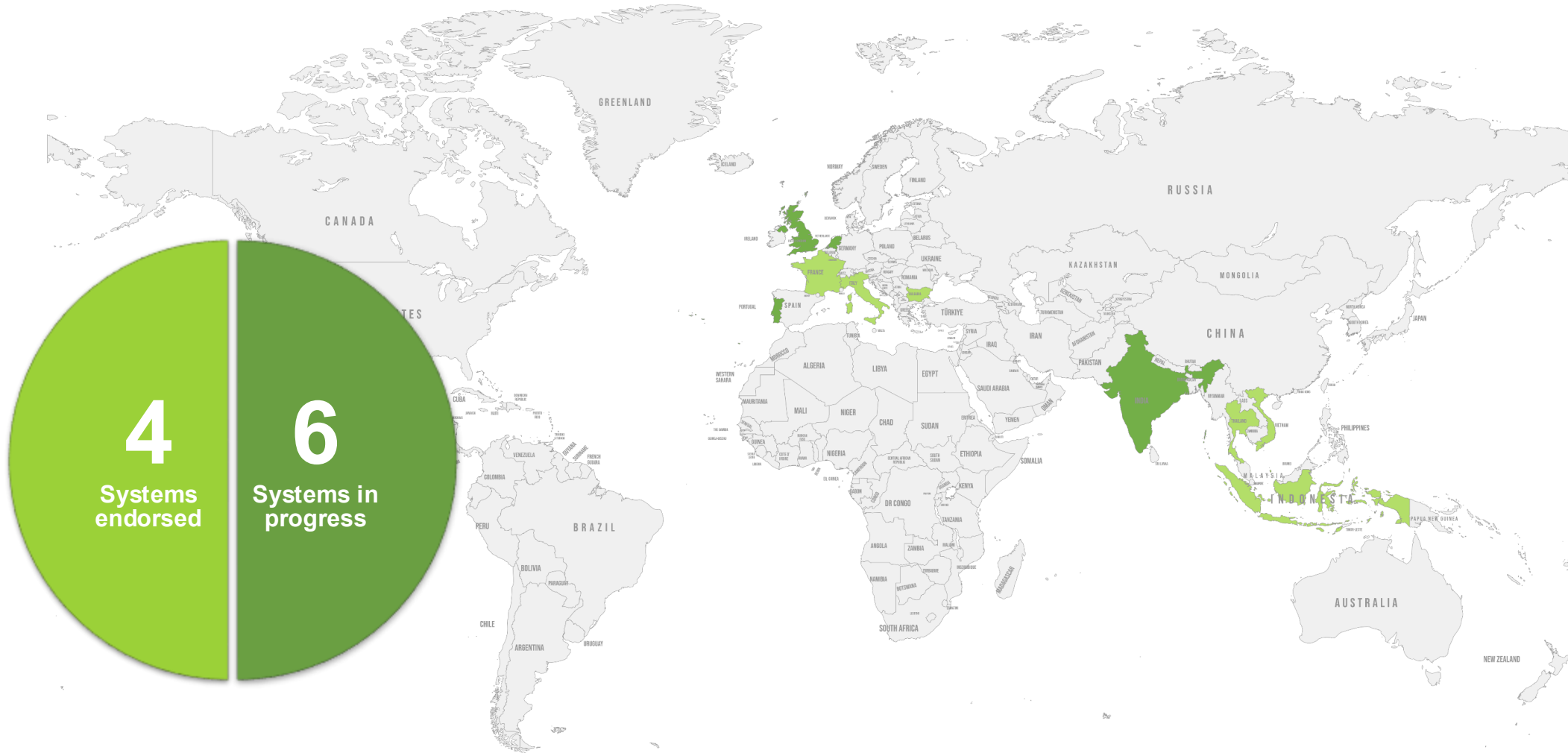


A Non-Wood Forest Product that is also part of packaging!

Sustainable management of cork oak forests relates to the preservation of:

- Mediterranean ecosystems and biodiversity,
- small scale agriculture,
- rural livelihoods,
- and cultural traditions.

The Next Frontier in Sustainable Agriculture: PEFC TOF Certification



The opportunity of trees on farms

Facts and Figures

(source: EUROSTAT, 2020):

- **3.1 million** farms (35%) in the EU have some **forest or wooded** land on their farm
- **Farm TOF** account for **10%** of all farm area



Additional
value



Better for
the land



Carbon &
Nature
Credits



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THANK YOU!

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