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- ❖ **Forest Law Enforcement Governance and Trade (FLEGT) Action Plan, COM(2003) 251, 21.5.2003**
- ❖ **Addressing the challenges of deforestation and forest degradation to tackle climate change and biodiversity loss, COM(2008) 645, 17.10.2008**
- ❖ **7th EU Environment Action Programme, Decision No 1386/2013/EU, 28.12.2013**
- ❖ **New York Declaration on Forests, 23.9.2014**



- ❖ 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Sept 2015) and its targets 15.2 (halting deforestation by 2020) and 15.3 (land degradation neutrality by 2030)
- ❖ Trade for all. Towards a more responsible trade and investment policy, COM(2015) 497, 14.10.2015
- ❖ Amsterdam Declaration, 7.12.2015



- ❖ Illegal logging:
 - ✓ Council Regulation (EC) No 2173/2005 of 20 December 2005 on the establishment of a **FLEGT licensing scheme** for imports of timber into the European Community
 - ✓ Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place **timber and timber products** on the market

- ❖ Food labelling:
 - ✓ Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on the provision of **food information to consumers**



- ❖ Biofuels:
 - ✓ Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from **renewable sources**
 - ✓ Directive (EU) 2015/1513 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 (**ILUC Directive**)

- ❖ EU Ecolabel:
 - ✓ Commission Decision C(2014) 9302 of 9 December 2014 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for **rinse-off cosmetic products**



- ❖ A substantial part of the embodied deforestation remains in the country or (world) region of production: crops (two thirds), livestock (92%) and wood products (two thirds).
- ❖ EU27 imported 36% of all deforestation embodied in crop and livestock products traded internationally (equivalent to 9 Mha of deforested land).
- ❖ The second ranked region was Eastern Asia (includes China and Japan), with 4.5 Mha. North America imported 1.9 Mha.



- ❖ Technical workshop on ***Palm oil environmental sustainability standards***, organised by the Commission, with the participation of experts and NGOs from Europe, Indonesia and Malaysia (December 2015)
- ❖ On-going **feasibility study** on a possible action plan to combat deforestation and forest degradation
- ❖ ***Sustainable Use of Peatlands and Haze Mitigation in ASEAN (SUPA) Project*** by the Commission (EU Delegation in Jakarta), worth about €25m
- ❖ Planned call for tenders for a **study** on the environmental impact of palm oil consumption and on existing sustainability standards



Thank you for your attention!