

Responsible Purchasing of Wood and Forest-Based Products Policy

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Lecta is keenly aware of the important role forests play as a natural resource in the life of the planet and its inhabitants. For this reason, we also recognize their immense environmental, economic and social value.

Lecta acknowledges that wood, the basic resource with which our specialty, coated and non-coated products are produced, is a natural raw material that, at the same time, is a great ally in preserving the environment as well as an economic resource for families and local communities. Wood is a renewable resource obtained from forests and forest plantations, and protecting these natural areas is vital for the carbon cycle.

The environmental, economic and social value of wooded areas compels us to work toward offering more responsible products that guarantee the sourcing of wood and our supply chain.

In keeping up with these values, Lecta has in place a PEFC and FSC® C011032 Chain of Custody system that enables us to encourage the protection that forests must have and thereby ensure the responsible use of these resources. Lecta also complies with due diligence obligations to ensure that its raw materials do not come from areas that have been illegally deforested* or have resulted in forest degradation*.

With this commitment, Lecta hereby declares that its purchase of wood and forest-based products is centered around guaranteeing the purchase of certified and controlled materials while avoiding unacceptable or controversial sources of silvicultural activities that fail to comply with local, domestic and international law. To this end, Lecta will not allow its association with organizations that are directly or indirectly involved in the following unacceptable activities:

- such as illegal logging, the illegal timber trade or illegal trade in forest products, or wood whose origin is not considered sustainable and is not controlled, and that comes from illegal or unknown forest sources.
- that could be in violation of traditional and human rights and the spirit of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
- that could destroy high conservation value forests or do not preserve ecologically, culturally and socially important wooded areas or protected areas.
- that could contribute to the failure to conserve or improve biodiversity.
- that significantly and unjustifiably turn forests into plantations or use them for non-forest purposes.
- that do not comply with local, domestic or international law regarding forest management, environmental protection, protected or endangered species, the rights of indigenous peoples, anti-corruption, taxes or occupational health and safety.
- that introduce genetically modified organisms (GMO) into forest plantations.
- that violate the International Labor Organization (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

* As defined in Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 (Art.2)

More information on LECTA's commitment to sustainability at www.lecta.com