

Author Biographies

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Salvador Anta Fonseca is currently an independent consultant involved in evaluating a number forestry-related projects and institutions, including the adoption of forestry certification by communities in Mexico. He has also participated in World Bank forestry studies, forestry programs of the Mexican government, and organization and training projects for certified and non-certified communities. Mr. Anta founded and is a current member of the Advisory Council for the Mexican Civil Council for Sustainable Silviculture and has recently been named Executive Director of the Civil Council for Sustainable Coffee Production in Mexico. From 1995 to 2002, Mr. Anta

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Israel Bewang is the Forest Certification Officer of Foundation for People and Community Development Inc. in Papua New Guinea. He has been assisting in facilitating the FSC Forest Certification National Initiative in Papua New Guinea, especially in developing the National FSC Standards. Mr. Bewang graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Forest Science from the Papua New Guinea University of Technology in 2001 and has been working on certification-related activities ever since. He is a member of Madang Forest Resource Owners Association (MFROA), an indigenous association that is one of the larger, better-organized community groups in Papua New Guinea. He aims to see communities managing forests themselves and obtaining possible maximum benefit from them. He comes from Piun Village in the Nankina Tribe, Saidor, District Madang Province, Papua New Guinea. His future interest is in further research on forest certification in the region.

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Vilis Brukas is a coordinator of the international M.Sc. program 'Sustainable Forestry in the Baltic Sea Region'. Run at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, the program is a joint effort of 12 universities in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Germany, Russia, Denmark, and Sweden. Dr. Vilis Brukas earned his M.Sc. at the Lithuanian University of Agriculture and the Ph.D. degree in the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University in Copenhagen, Denmark. His research focuses on various forest policy issues in the Baltic Sea region, which holds the largest share of certified forest area worldwide.

Janette Bulkan was the first Chairperson of the Guyana National Initiative for Forest Certification (GNIFC) that was formally launched in 2003. She participated in the development and field testing of successive drafts of the Guyana National Standard for Forest Certification, based on the FSC's generic standard. She participated in an FSC training program for Latin American National Initiatives in developing national forestry certification standards in October 2002 and in an Assessor Training Program of the Rainforest Alliance/SmartWood Program in 2004.

Yati Bun has aimed throughout his professional career to involve communities in community forestry operations. Currently he is Executive Director of a national organization, the Foundation for People and Community Development Inc. He is on the ITTO civil society advisory group and the World Bank External Advisory Group on implementation of the World Bank Forest Strategy. Mr. Bun is also the National Coordinator of the FSC working group that developed PNG's national standards for forest management. He served until October 2003 on the FSC board representing the southern social chamber. In 1999 he collaborated on a study for the World Bank on strategies for community-based forestry and conservation in PNG. In 1993 Mr. Bun carried out the FSC-commissioned PNG study on forest certification and timber labeling. He holds a degree in Forestry from the PNG University of Technology, Lae and a Master's degree in Forest Resources Management from Edinburgh University (UK).

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Benjamin Cashore is Associate Professor of Environmental Governance and Sustainable Forest Policy, and Director of the Program on Forest Certification at Yale University's School of Forestry & Environmental Studies in New Haven, CT, USA. His research interests include: the privatization of environmental governance (forest certification/eco-labeling); the effects of globalization on domestic policy choices; forest resource policies of Canada, the United States, and globally; and firm level environmental/sustainability initiatives. He earned B.A. and M.A. degrees in political science from Carleton University, a certificate from l'Université d'Aix-Marseille III in French studies, and a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Toronto. He was a Fulbright scholar at Harvard University during 1996-7. Dr. Cashore is the author of several articles and books on forest and environmental policy, including *Governing Through Markets: Forest Certification and the Emergence of Non-State Authority* (with Graeme Auld and Deanna Newsom), which won the International Studies Association's Sprout Prize for best book of the year on international environmental policy and governance.

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Fred Gale lectures in political economy, Third World development and regional economic integration at the School of Government, University of Tasmania, Australia. He researches global forest governance, product certification and the political economy of trade and the environment. His publications include *The Tropical Timber Trade Regime* (Macmillan/Palgrave, 1998); *Nature, Production, Power: Towards an Ecological Political Economy* (Edward Elgar 2000, co-edited with Michael M'Gonigle); and *Setting the Standard: Forest Certification in British Columbia and Beyond* (forthcoming, with Chris Tollefson, David Haley and Denise Allen). With funding from the Australian Research Council, he is undertaking comparative research with Marcus Haward on state responses to forestry and fisheries certification in Canada, Australia and United Kingdom.

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Elizabeth Gordon served as the Yale Program on Forest Certification's Program Associate until 2005, where she oversaw all aspects of the program, managing program staff and projects, coordinating main events, and serving as a liaison to Yale and the outside community. She has a BA from Stanford University in Human Biology and a Master's of Environmental Management from Yale's School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. Her graduate work focused on an interdisciplinary approach to wildlife conservation and advocacy, earning her recognition as a Doris Duke Conservation Fellow and a Teresa Heinz Scholar for Environmental Research. Previously she pursued a range of environmental efforts, from grassroots organizing and local wildlife rehabilitation to research and outreach with national non-profits such as the Environmental Law Institute and Environmental Defense.

Hando Hain has an M.Sc. degree in Landscape Ecology and Environmental Protection and is presently studying to acquire a Ph.D. degree in human geography at the Institute of Geography, University of Tartu, Estonia. His professional experience includes managing several forestry-related projects in Estonian's largest environmental NGO, Estonian Green Movement-Friends of the Earth. He has also

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Mara Kore first traveled to Latvia in 1985, the country from which her mother had emigrated in 1944, and since then has returned as often as possible. She became involved with sustainable development issues, including forestry, while working for WWF Latvia in 1998-1999. She then returned to the U.S. to pursue graduate studies at the University of Michigan, in the dual degree program at the School of Natural Resources and Environment, and the Russian and East European Studies department. Her most recent work in Latvia has been research for her Master's thesis on private forest owners and land restitution in Latvia's largest national park. Currently she is teaching environmental science at Southwestern Michigan College and experiencing life as a private forest owner. She earned a B.A. in Biology from Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island USA.

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Peter May has dedicated his professional career to research, administration and training in the economics and management of natural resources for equitable rural development in the tropics. Dr. May's experience encompasses 20 years of program administration, field research, graduate level teaching and economics consultancy in Brazil, Latin America and the Caribbean, Southeast Asia and the United States. He holds a Ph.D. in Resource Economics and an M.R.P. in City and Regional Planning,

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Bill Maynard has been a practitioner in the area of forest certification and standards development in forestry and the timber industry for 15 years. He worked first for a timber importer in the UK before gaining an M.Sc. in Resource Management from the University of Edinburgh and then spending most of his professional life in Asia. He has participated as a team member and team leader in forest certifications in natural forests, community operations and plantations in many countries in the region and has been involved in a number of pre-assessments and surveillance for FSC. He has also been active in developing national standards in countries in both Asia and Africa. After working extensively with WWF to set up the Global Forest & Trade Network in Asia, he has set up Global Forestry Services, a company explicitly designed to help all members of the timber trade chain reach the standards of certification.

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Dwi Rahmad Muhtaman, a certification specialist, has been working in forestry issues and biodiversity policy for more than ten years. He has conducted social audits of certification and assessments of fifteen forest concessions, plantations and community-private partnership companies in Indonesia. He is actively involved in chain of custody certification assessments. Mr. Muhtaman is lead writer of a book *Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Plantation Forestry in Indonesia* published by CIFOR. He has written a manual on certification for practitioners in collaboration with The Nature Conservancy, LATIN and SmartWood Indonesia. He has been facilitating meetings and workshops for companies, government, communities and NGOs as well as multi-stakeholders events. He is now an independent auditor for Indonesia Forest Trade Network (WWF Indonesia) and Technical Advisor for Sustainable Supply Chain Linkage Program, Program for Eastern Indonesia Small-Medium Enterprises Assistance of the International Finance Corporation (the World Bank Group). He was LEI caretaker during 2004-March 2005. He is a founding member of the Indonesian Tropical Institute (LATIN), and the former Director of the Certification and Consulting Division. He served as a coordinator for SmartWood-LATIN Initiative and was a SmartWood international collaborator in Indonesia. He currently works as an independent consultant. He holds a Master of Public Administration from Auburn University, Alabama, USA.

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Lincoln Quevedo was born in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. He obtained his B.Sc. in forestry at the Universidade Federal de Vicosa, Brazil, in 1981, and his M.Sc. in forest management at CATIE, Costa Rica, in 1986. His professional experience is in sustainable forestry development, tropical forest ecology, silviculture and forest management with national and international non-government organizations, as well as with Bolivian government agencies. He is a faculty member of the Forestry School at the Universidad Autónoma Gabriel René Moreno, in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. He has been engaged in forest management certification since the beginning of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) process, serving one term as a member of the Board of Directors of the FSC-International for the environmental southern chamber, and two terms as a member of the Board of Directors of the FSC Bolivian National Initiative, where he worked on the development of national standards for timber and non-timber management certification.

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