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## [fsccbforum] Withdrawal of ADVICE-40-004\_19 reg.

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Dear certification body representatives and ASI,

FSC published ADVICE-40-004-19 to address specific integrity risks associated with species information in the FSC system. However, based on feedback from stakeholders and our internal review, we acknowledge that this Advice might not be comprehensive enough to regulate how species information is being collected and treated in FSC.

As such, FSC is withdrawing this Advice note for the present. We will be establishing a task force to start re-examining how FSC is treating species information, its collection and utilization and how it can be better integrated into the FSC database and upcoming technological solutions. This Advice may be optimized and return later with different content.

We might incorporate some elements of this Advice into ongoing work on the topic of supply chain integrity. Such developments will be further announced as they occur. The FSC Document Center shall be reflecting the updated FSC-DIR-40-004 by tomorrow.

Regards,

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