CONTEXT OF TIMBER TRADE

- Brazil is the fifth-largest country in the world and the largest in the Southern Hemisphere.

- Brazil has the second-largest expanse of forest in the world and the largest remaining area of rainforest.

- Over 50% of Brazil is covered in forest.

- FAO has estimated an annual deforestation rate of 0.42% between 2005 and 2010, a significant reduction from the 1990s.

- Satellite monitoring of deforestation has been in place since 1988.

- Over 40% of Brazilian Amazon is located within federal and the State protected areas and reservations.

- Estimates of the proportion of logging that is illegal range between 20-47%.

- Brazil accounts for 55% of all timber and timber product exports by South America and 2.7% of global exports, although the vast majority of its timber production is destined for its domestic markets.

- The State of Pará (Eastern Brazilian Amazon) is the largest timber-producing State with an annual production of 6.6 million cubic metres of native roundwood in 2009.

- 36% of the export value of Brazil's EUTR-regulated timber products are destined for Europe.

- In 2012, Brazil's exports of timber products were made up of: wood pulp (52%); paper (22%); mouldings (6%); furniture (5%); plywood/veneer (5%); sawn (4%); and joinery (2%).

- Although just over 1% of Brazil's forest is plantation forest (eucalyptus and pine), this makes up the majority of its exports.

EXPORT MARKETS – KEY FACTS

- Exports of logs from natural forests in Brazil have been banned since 1996 (note that plantation logs, including teak and treated softwood are still exported).

- Species-specific bans within Brazil:
  - Brazil Nut Tree *Bertholletia excelsa*
  - Parana Pine *Araucaria angustifolia*

- CITES Appendix I-listed tree species:
  - Brazilian Rosewood *Dalbergia nigra*

- CITES Appendix II-listed tree species:
  - Brazilian Rosewood *Aniba roseodora*
  - Vera or Argentine/Paraguay Lignum vitae *Bulnesia sarmientoi*
  - Brazilwood *Caesalpinia echinata*
  - Big-leaf Mahogany *Swietenia macrophylla*

- CITES Appendix III-listed tree species:
  - Brazilian Cedarwood *Cedrela fissilis*
  - Cedro *Cedrela lilloi*
  - Spanish Cedar *Cedrela odorata*

MAJOR HARVESTED & TRADED SPECIES:

- Amapa *Brosimum utile*
- Angelim *Dinizia excelsa*
- Cedrinho *Erissima uncinatum*
- Cumaru *Dipteryx odorata*
- Cupiuba *Goupia glabra*
- Faveira *Parkia* spp.
- Garapa *Apuleia leiocarpa*
- Ipe *Handroanthus* spp.; *H. guayacan* & *H. serratifolius*; *Tabebuia* spp.
- Jatoba
- Macaranduba
- Massaranduba
- Purpleheart/Amarante
- Saputaria
- Tatajuba *Bagassa guayanensis*
- Tauari *Couratari tauari*

Plantation species: Mainly eucalyptus & pine but also
- *Acacia mearnsii*
- *A. mangium*
- *Schizolobium amazonicum*
- *Tectona grandis*
- *Araucaria angustifolia*
- *Populus* spp.
LEGAL TIMBER
(Legality Framework)

- National legislation: (in Portuguese) http://www4.planalto.gov.br/legislacao

MAJOR FOREST GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES

- Tenure/possession issues unclear ownership means that legal measures cannot be applied
- Fraud and corruption false management plans and false timber credits
- Confusing and contradicting policies government management structure is often confusing and lacks co-ordination

FURTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Key government authorities:

CITES Management Authority:
IBAMA
http://www.ibama.gov.br/servicos/cites
cites.sede@ibama.gov.br
cites.flora.sede@ibama.gov.br

National System of Conservation Units:

Brazilian Forest Service:

Chico Mendes Institute for the Conservation of Biodiversity:

Ministry of Environment:

Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Resources:
http://bit.ly/1quqZY

Non-governmental organizations:

GFTN:
http://bit.ly/1aF6U5b

WWF-Brazil:

IMAZON:
http://bit.ly/19niePq

Forest Legality Alliance (Brazil):
http://bit.ly/1b5PdKC

TRADE ASSOCIATIONS & FEDERATIONS:

Association of the Timber Industries Exporters in the State of Pará (AIMEX):

Brazilian Association of Planted Forestry Producers:
http://bit.ly/1b9nk2n

Unifloresta - representing producers from Pará:
http://bit.ly/1iMPRx9

Cipem - representing producers and exporters from Mato Grosso:
http://bit.ly/1bYviLV

Sinduscon SP - the union of companies of the construction sector of São Paulo State:

Sindimasp - Union of companies that sell timber in São Paulo:
http://bit.ly/LsOs7

Forum Nacional de Atividades de Base Florestal - encompasses some of the ones above and many other industries (or their associations) related to the timber sector:
http://bit.ly/1arDJww