

The reasons why ALICEN is PEFC certified

Maintains the highest levels of demand

- 🌲 Demanding compliance with the Conventions of the International Labour Organization in the field of forest management since 2001
- 🌲 Adapted to the specific needs of smallholder forests, consequently contributing to improve their level of life and promoting rural development.
- 🌲 Offering suitable processes to certify groups offering access to certification and to the market to certified products that originate from local forests managed in a sustainable way.
- 🌲 Including social and job security requirements to certify Chain of Custody.
- 🌲 Establishing the highest standards for forest certification in accordance with the majority of the governments worldwide, included:
 - 🌲 Maintaining or improving biodiversity.
 - 🌲 Protection of forest areas of great ecological importance. The ban on forest conversion and the exclusion from certification of plantations established as a result of said conversions.
 - 🌲 Banning on the use of hazardous chemical products and on Genetically Modified Organisms; and minimising the use of pesticides.
 - 🌲 Protection of worker's rights and their well-being, and the promotion of local employment.
 - 🌲 Safeguarding basic worker's rights.

Maintains the level of commitment of the parties involved to all the standards

- 🌲 Strictly separating the establishment of regulations for certification and the accreditation to ensure absolute independence and impartiality.
- 🌲 Requiring that all national regulations be developed independently and be open to all interested parties.
- 🌲 Requiring that all regulations be submitted to public consultation at a national and international level and evaluation on behalf of an independent third party.
- 🌲 Demanding and applying regular revisions of the national certification systems.

Based on the intergovernmental agreements and on globally recognized processes.

- 🌲 Basing its principles on sustainable forest management.
- 🌲 Complying with globally accepted ISO standards for certification and accreditation.