

**PROCESS AND TIMELINES FOR REVIEW OF
MALAYSIAN CRITERIA AND INDICATORS FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT
CERTIFICATION [MC&I(2002)]**

April-May 2009

- Posting of the *MC&I(2002)* on the MTCC web site for a first (60-day) public comment period
- Formation of the multi-stakeholder **Standards Review Committee** (to serve as the “Forum”) through nomination of members by the respective stakeholder groups
- Formation of **Panel of Experts** by invitation to experts to join the Panel

June-July 2009

- Compilation of comments and proposed amendments/additions to the *MC&I(2002)* received by MTCC as the Secretariat of the standard review process (this includes the recommended amendments/additions from the MTCC-Hamburg project implemented in 2006-2008)
- Drafting of appropriate proposals by the Secretariat where no proposed amendments/additions are offered by the proponent
- Circulation of the proposed amendments/additions to the Panel of Experts
- Convening a meeting of the Panel to discuss the proposed amendments/additions
- Preparation of a Working Draft for the consideration of the Standards Review Committee

August-October 2009

- Discussion of the Working Draft by the Standards Review Committee
- Preparation of the First Draft of the revised standard
(The Committee can form *ad hoc* groups if necessary for specific reviews)

November 2009

- Posting of the First Draft on the MTCC web site for a second (30-day) public comment period
- Preparation of the Second Draft by the Secretariat based on the comments received, following discussions with the Panel of Experts.

December 2009-February 2010

- Organisation and facilitation of three regional consultations (i.e. in Sabah, Sarawak and Peninsular Malaysia) by the Secretariat during which the stakeholder groups will be given the opportunity to make comments on the Second Draft
- Preparation of the Third Draft by the Secretariat based on the comments received, following discussions with the Panel of Experts.

March-April 2010

- Discussion on the Third Draft by the Standards Review Committee
- Preparation of the Final Draft of the revised standard

May-June 2010

- Posting of the Final Draft on the MTCC web site for a third (60-day) public comment period

July 2010

- Finalisation of the revised standard by the Standards Review Committee based on the comments received
- Posting of the revised standard on the MTCC web site
- Printing of copies of the revised standard

August 2010-July 2011

- Issuance of one-year notice to MTCS participants prior to implementation of the revised standard

August 2011

- Implementation of the revised standard