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It all started in 1992 during the United Nations "Earth Summit" conference held in Rio De Janeiro.
In reality, the results of this important international meeting on proper management of forests at a global level were totally unsatisfactory.

But despite this unpromising scenario, a brand new, totally unexpected idea began to emerge, the creation of a forum among nongovernmental organizations with the possible formation of an international organization dedicated to managing forests at a global level. After a preliminary, intense consulting phase with 10 countries, this new project gained support, forming the foundations for what would become an international certification known as FSC®, with the assembly of members founding this brand in Canada in 1993. The secretary offices of FSC® opened in Oxaca, Mexico, and the FSC® brand became a legal entity by all effects in Mexico in February 1994.

The secretary offices of FSC® would subsequently be established in Bonn, Germany in 2003. The number of certifications issued pertinent to controlled forests part of the so-called "chain of control" have increased exponentially, to a total of 20,000 certified in 2011; the 1000th certificate was issued in 2011 to a small farm association called Portoghesiper for the control and reforestation of their cork tree plantation.
The sixth general assembly was held in 2011 at Sabah in Malaysia participated in by more than 400 members. Like in the case of GBC, FSC® also has an Italian association called FSC® Italia.

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The FSC® brands identifies products containing wood sourced at forests managed correctly and responsibly according to strict environmental, social and economic standards.

The forest of origin is controlled and assessed independently in conformity with these standards (principles and criteria for good forest management), established and approved by the Forest Stewardship Council® with the participation and consent of the parties in question.

FSC® is an independent, non-profit international NGO, which includes some environmental and social members, indigenous communities, forestry proprietors, industries that process and sell timber, scientists and technicians that operate together that work to improve the management of forests all over the world.

FSC® Italia operates exclusively on a voluntary basis and without any direct external financing. Membership includes forestry proprietors and their category associations, timber and paper industries, environmental organizations, labor unions, professionals, and certification entities.

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FSC® Italia is dedicated to a wide range of activities:

Definition of standards for correct forest management in conformity with the principles and criteria of FSC® International and suitable for the diverse forests across Italy.

• Supply of technical assistance and information to parties interested in FSC® certification.

• Promotion of the FSC® brand and surveillance to ensure its correct use.

• Facilitating exchange of knowledge and information among subjects involved in forest management and the wood processing sector.

• Promotion of studies and pilot projects on topics related to sustainable forest management, certification and the market for certified forestry products.

• Comparison with other forestry certifications related to mutual recognition of schemes, etc.

The association recognizes voluntary and independent certification of forest management and products as a tool for contributing to leveraging the forest/timber sector and promoting correct forest management. The FSC® brand in Italy has also taken on a key role in marketing wood and paper products: it is not only a synonym of credibility and innovation, but also an element attesting to the legality of the wood-paper production chain and ensuring responsible management of forest resources.

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