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CEPF Findings on the EUTR implementation

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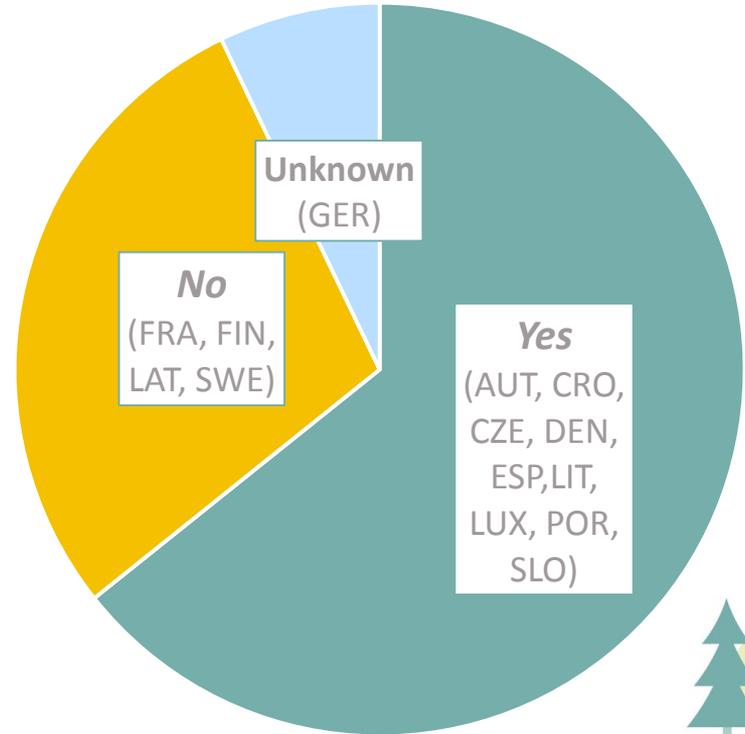
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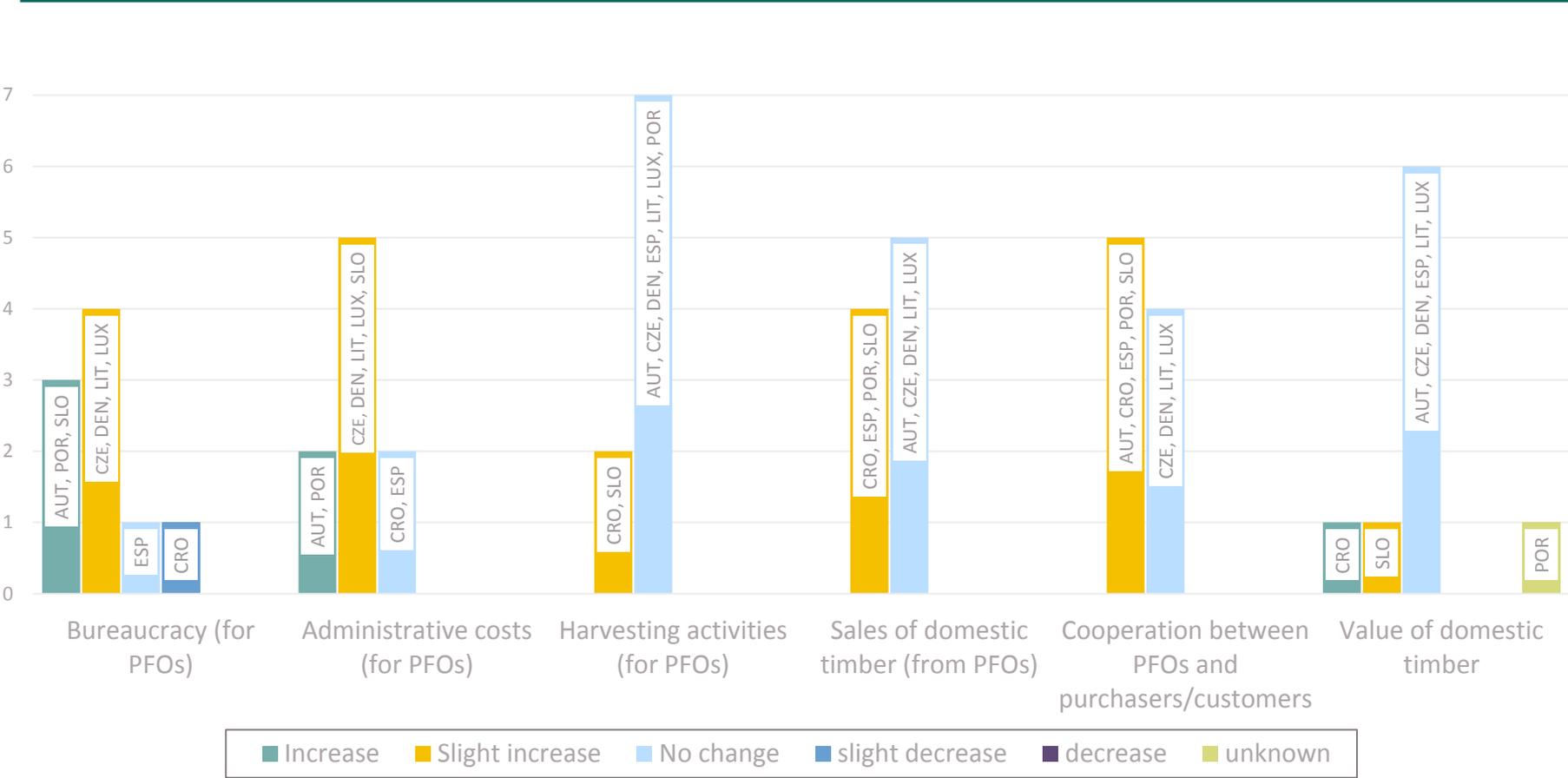
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EUTR: Perceived implications on the EU domestic timber market

- From a forest owners' perspective, do you expect the EUTR to have any impact on the domestic timber market?
 - Bureaucracy (for PFOs)
 - Administrative costs (for PFOs)
 - Harvesting activities (for PFOs)
 - Sales of domestic timber (from PFOs)
 - Cooperation between PFOs and purchasers/customers
 - Value of domestic timber

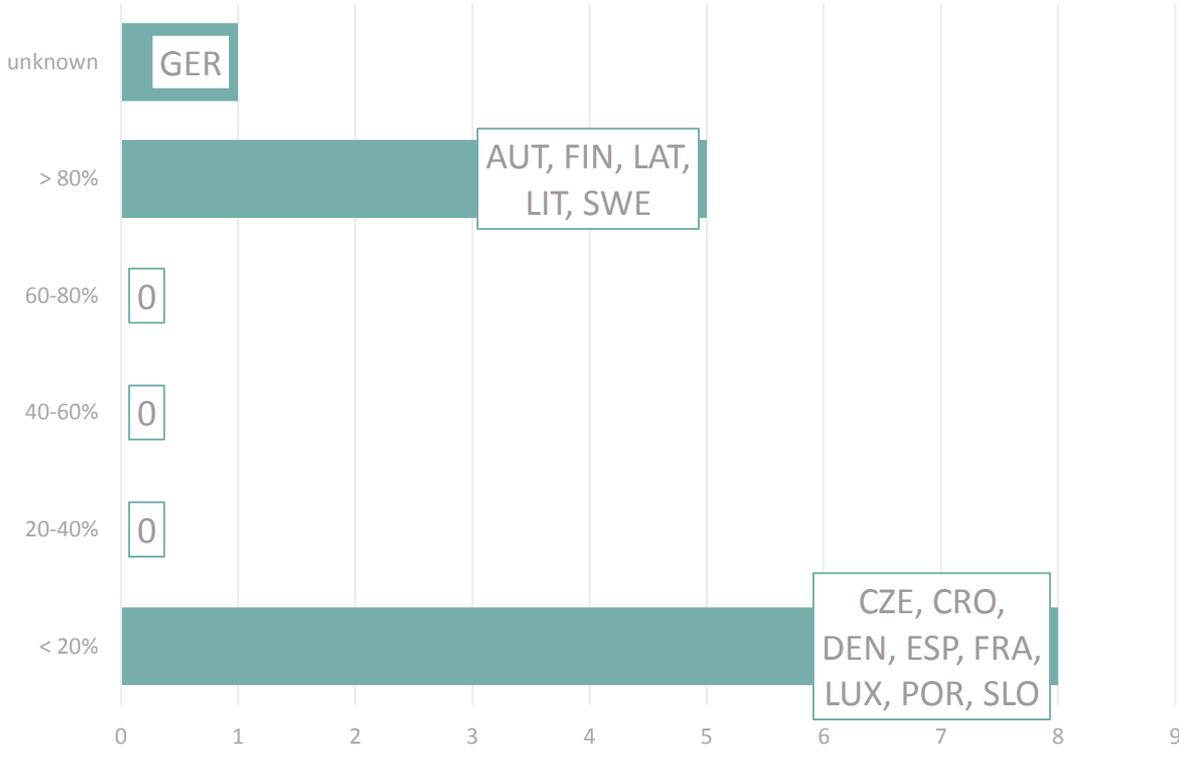


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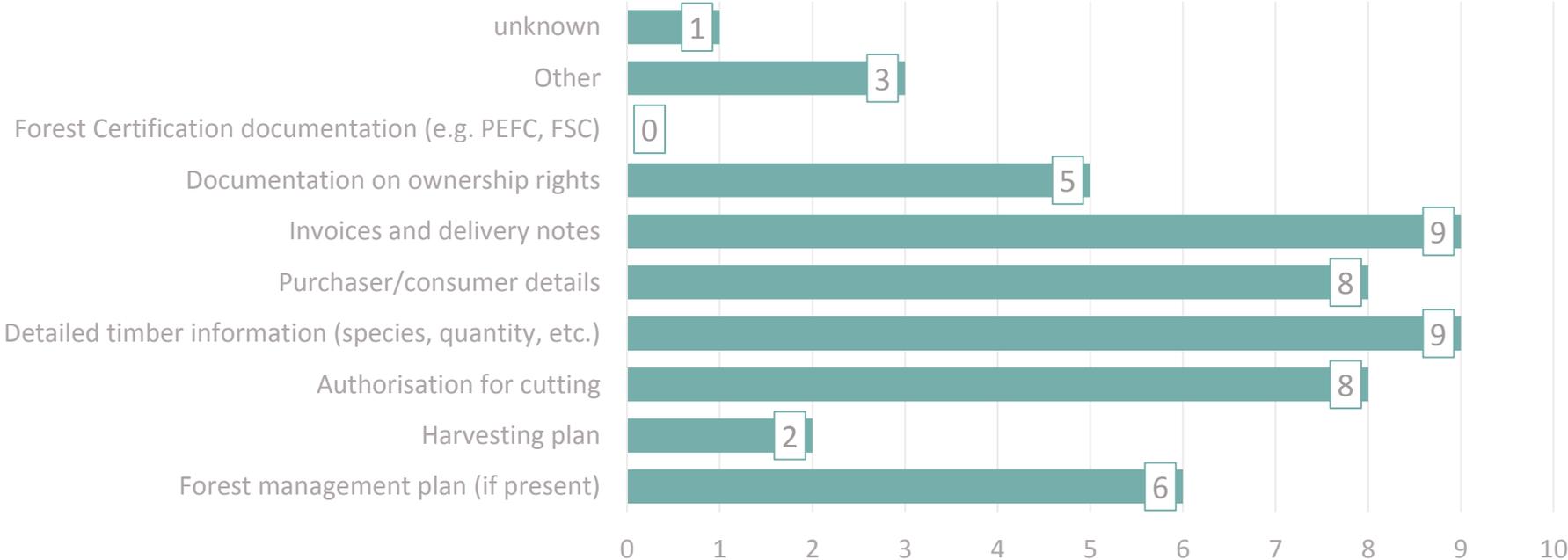
Due diligence and obligations for private forest owners

- To what extent have PFOs prepared or are already implementing a Due Diligence System in your respective country?



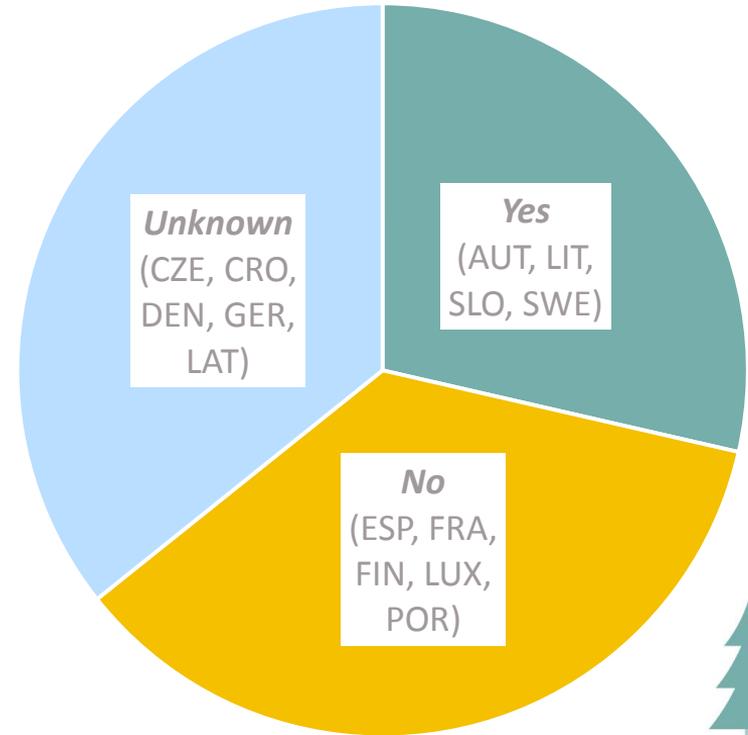
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- Which information are PFOs required to provide in a DDS in your respective country?



Penalties for non-compliance

- Are penalties being enacted in your country?
- Proportionality of penalties in relation to business size and income levels of PFOs
 - LIT, SLO, (POR): very/too high and not proportionate



Conclusions (I/II)

- Majority of the CEPF members expect an impact from the EUTR implementation on the domestic timber market
 - Increase of bureaucracy and administrative costs
 - No relevant changes in value and sales of domestic timber
- EUTR far from being fully and coherently implemented across MS
- Existing forest governance and trading schemes fulfil EUTR requirements only in some MS
- Type and amount of information required in a Due Diligence varies significantly among respondents' countries



Conclusions (II/II)

- Third party forest certification (PEFC, FSC) not acknowledged as an asset when demonstrating compliance with national legislation
- Only few CAs started to undertake checks on operators (No negative assessment on PFOs reported)
- Penalties: in few cases very/too high and not proportionate

