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## FEDERLEGNOARREDO WORKING ALONGSIDE COMPANIES TO HELP THEM DEAL WITH “DUE DILIGENCE”

### Important numbers for the technical Due Diligence “task force”.

Over 30 consultancies with companies, ten meetings with local Confindustria branches, five training sessions on company premises, two meetings for out-of-town technicians, five training sessions at the FederlegnoArredo branches of Milan and Rome. For a total of over 800 employees involved in little more than three months from the start of the activities of the “technical task force” activated by FederlegnoArredo to support companies in the sector apply **European directive 995/2010**.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013, the regulation governing **Due Diligence** came into force, obliging all subjects involved in the working and distribution of wooden goods to respect given specifications to **combat illegal trade in lumber and the products deriving from it**.

Since the first discussion of the law, FederlegnoArredo has been involved in informing companies in the sector about the precise obligations:

1. Manufacturers and distributors may not introduce any timber cut illegally or any products derived from this into the EU market.
2. Manufacturers who introduce wooden goods into the EU market for the first time, must observe the requirements of the “Due Diligence”, so that the legal origin of the raw material has been checked.
3. In order to assure the traceability of the origins of the raw material, finally, dealers are obliged to keep a register with the name of its suppliers and clients.

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