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Christine Overdevest is an Associate Professor of Sociology and Criminology & Law at the University of Florida. She obtained her PhD from the University of Wisconsin and has previous work experience with the USDA Forest Service. Christine's area is regulation and governance

studies with a focus on environmental governance and management of sustainability. She has published over 25 articles and a book on environmental governance related topics. Her most recent project is on cotton production and small-holders in developing countries, where sustainability standards are shifting away from "bright-line" standards and assurance systems to systems that foster farmer capacity building and learning. In the last several years, she has collaboratively published work on initiatives to control transnational trade of illegally harvested forest and wood products, focusing on the European Union's Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Initiative (FLEGT) and worked on collaborative research related to Fair Trade.

### Global Research Interests

- Transnational Regulation and Governance
- Transnational Environmental Sustainability Initiatives
- Public-Private Regimes
- Environmental Certification
- Sustainability Standards
- Global Value Chains

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# Countries and Region of Study

- India
- Pakistan
- Indonesia
- Ghana
- Scandinavia
- Europe
- US

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