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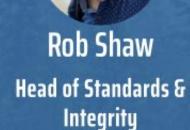
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PEFC International

PEFC EUDR compliance support solution

Tool 1: PEFC SFM aligned requirements Revised deforestation-free definitions

Tool 2: PEFC EUDR DDS module

 Simplified implementation and compliance

Independent

3rd party audits

Tool 4: PEFC Technology partners

 Easy and secure geolocation and data sharing



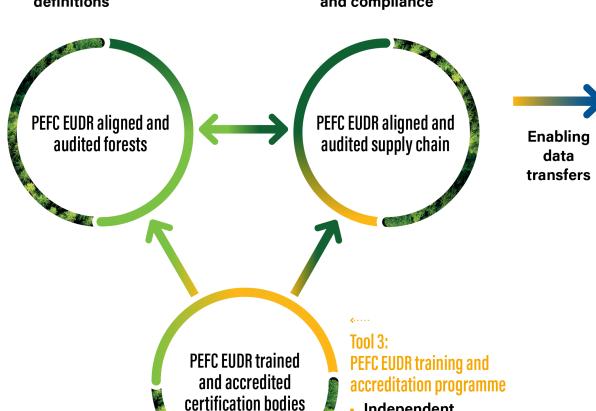


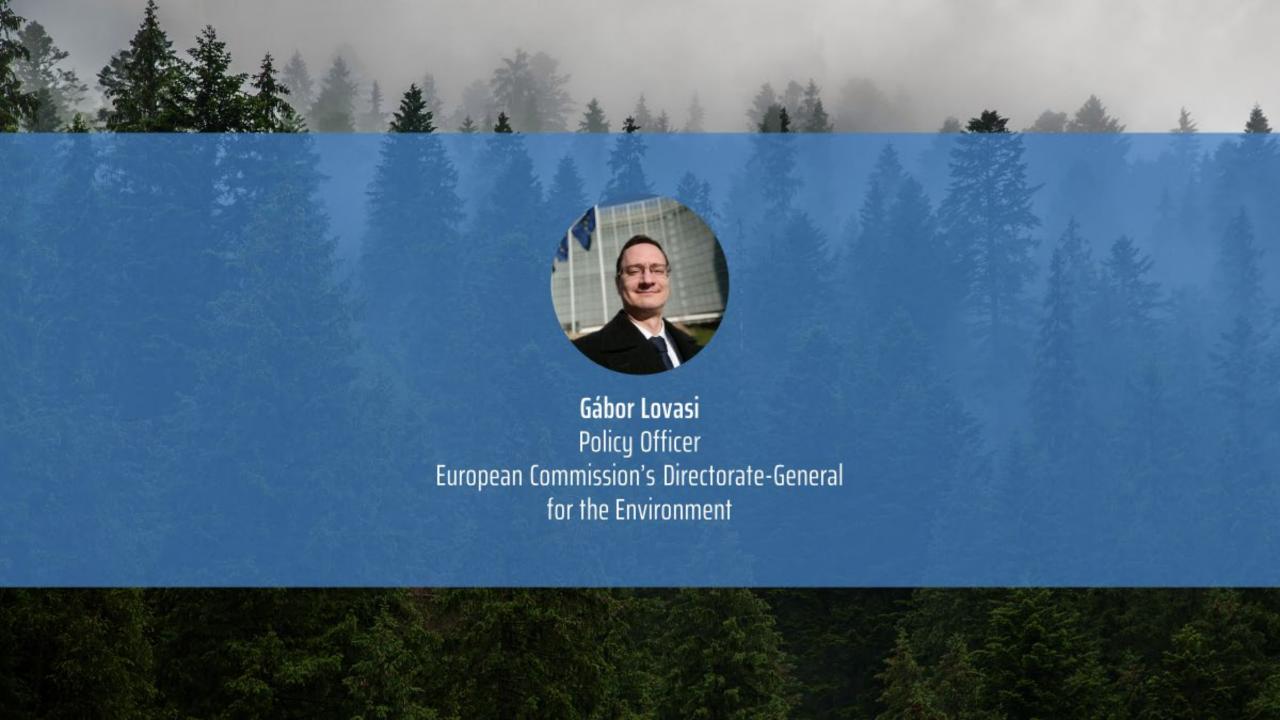
EUDR Online Registry (EC database)



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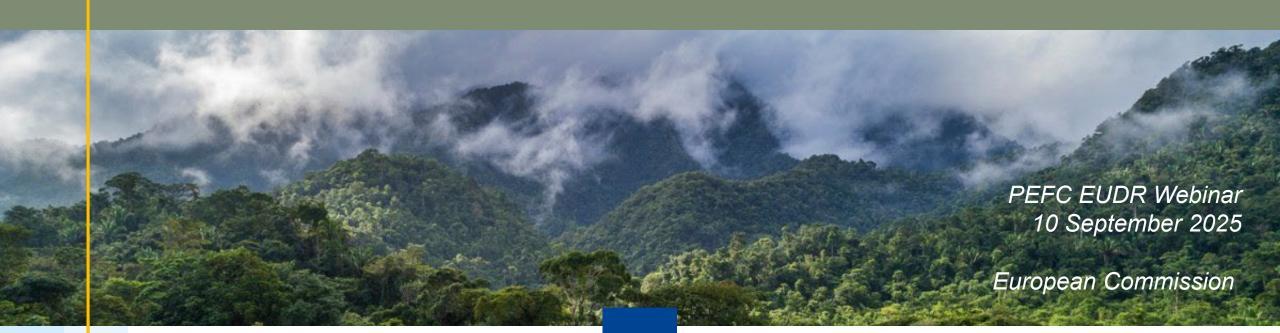
- ✓ PEFC EUDR DDS optional module: simplified implementation through familiar processes
- ✓ Mirrors EUDR
- Streamlined data management
- ✓ Secure data sharing supported by technology partners
- ✓ EUDR-aligned deforestation-free SFM requirements
- ✓ Audited by PEFC EUDR trained certification body auditors







EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) State-of-Play



Timeline for timber products



Products that are NEW in EUDR		Date of placing relevant commodity or relevant product on the EU market	
Relevant products	Date of production (harvest) of relevant commodity	Before 30 December 2025, and before 30 June 2026 for microand small operators	From 30 December 2025 for large and medium enterprises, and from 30 June 2026 for micro- and small operators
Wood products listed in	Before 29 June 2023	EUDR is <u>not</u> applicable	EUDR is <u>not</u> applicable
Annex I of EUDR <u>and not</u> listed in the Annex of EUTR	From 29 June 2023	EUDR is <u>not</u> applicable	EUDR is applicable

Products of EUTR	Date of placing relevant commodity or relevant product on the EU market		
Date of production (harvest)	Before 30 December 2025	From 30 December 2025 to 30 December 2028	From 31 December 2028
Before 29 June 2023	EUTR	EUTR	EUDR
From 29 June 2023	EUTR	<u>EUDR</u>	<u>EUDR</u>

Delivering on Simplification and Clarification

Frequently Asked Questions

- A total of 171 FAQs with 41 new and 59 updated FAQs
- Latest update in April 2025
- 4th version
- 20 new FAQ in Chapter 7 on Digital Implementation

Guidance Document

- First published in October 2024
- Update <u>published</u> in August
- Updated timelines and applicable legislation
- Confirmation that products made from non-relevant commodities (synthetic rubber, bamboo) fall outside the scope
- Alignment with Customs legislation for packing materials that fall out of scope of EUDR



Updated FAQs and Guidance



SMEs cannot be required to submit DDS by larger companies There is no legal obligation for an SME trader or an SME downstream operator to submit a DDS or to ascertain due diligence; non-SME downstream companies cannot oblige them.



Authorized representatives for company groups can submit due diligence statements on behalf of members of company groups.



Reuse of DDS for reimported goods: Large companies can now reuse existing due diligence statements for reimported goods that were previously placed on the EU market.



Multiple DDS reference numbers per customs declaration: It is possible to include multiple DDS reference numbers in one customs declaration.



Other materials supporting compliance

EUDR Myth

Buster

Document

SME Factsheet





Benchmarking system - Article 29

Objective of the classification system



Development of the methodology

- Following criteria set in the Art. 29
- General principles outlined in the Annex of the Strategic Framework
- Opportunity to focus collective efforts and resources to protect forests in those geographic areas where deforestation challenges are more acute

Main principles

- Latest available scientific evidence and internationally recognised sources
- Fairness, objectivity, and transparency
- Help competent authorities to focus enforcement resources - checks: 1% (low) /3% (standard) /9% (high)
- Simplified obligations when sourcing from low risk

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Information System and support



IT system to submit and manage DDS

- User registration since Nov 2024
- Two systems open for DDS submission since 4 Dec 2024
- Over 350.000 due diligence statements by September 2025
- User Guide on the use the Information System and its functions (translated)
- Trainings over 65 online trainings with over 19.000 participants and videos in multiple languages
- Centralized TRACES technical Help-desk managed by DG SANTE
- Interconnection with other systems via API
- The Information System of the EUDR European Commission



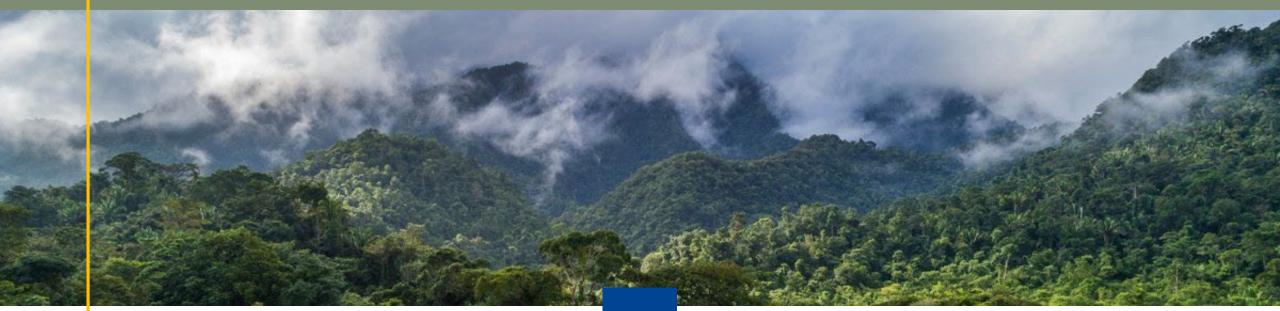


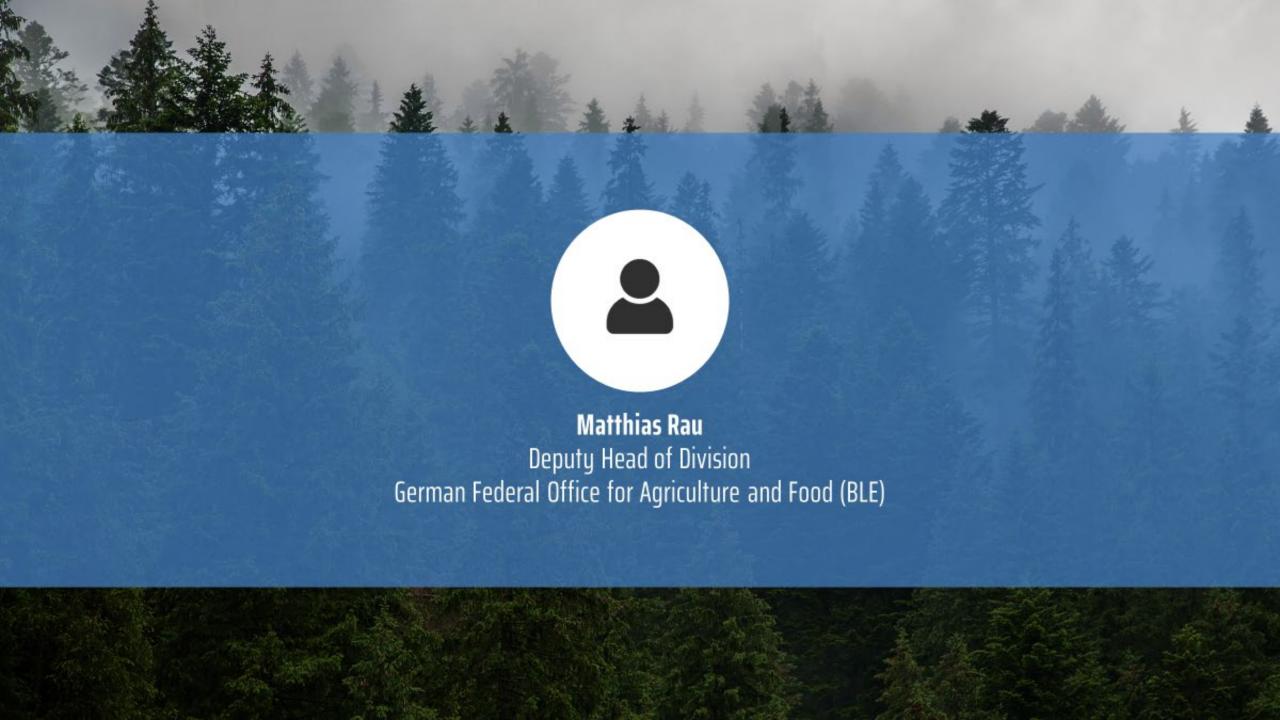


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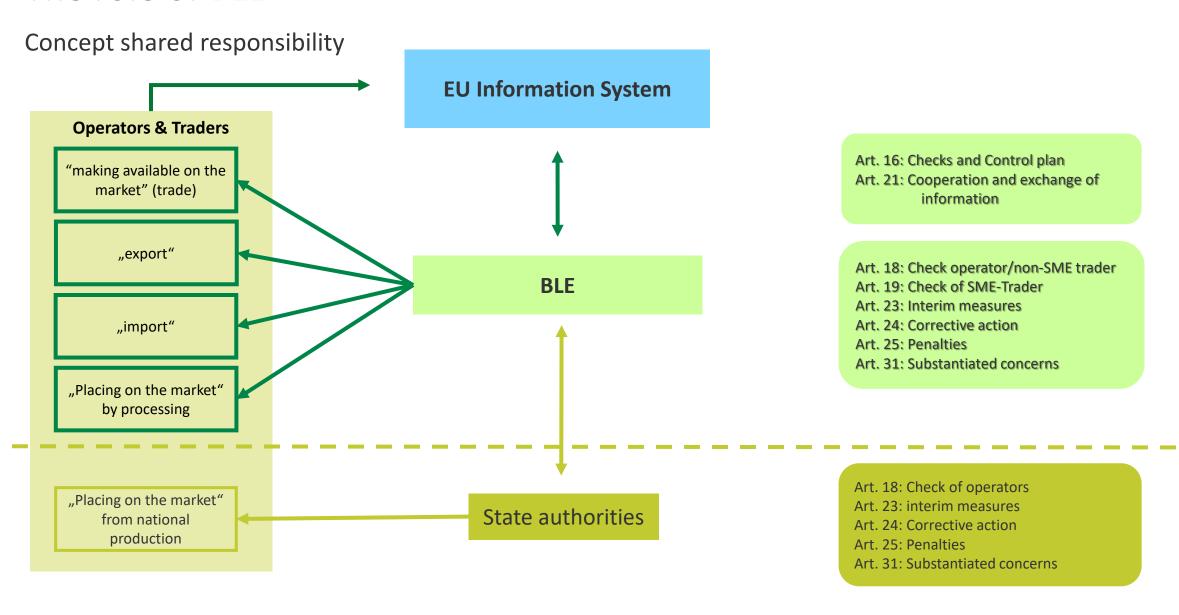


EUDR in Operation Pathway of EUDR implemation in Germany

Bonn, September 2025



The role of BLE



Digital control process EUDR - Overview

Digital control process

(Control plan, Initiation of checks, sampling, inspection and further action, geodata comparison)

API connection to the EU Information n system

National control plan

"EUDR Service Portal" for inspection

- Evaluation of submitted documentation and evidence
- Decision on further action

Automatic data synchronisation (e.g. geolocation data)

Preparing, processing and transmitting of reports

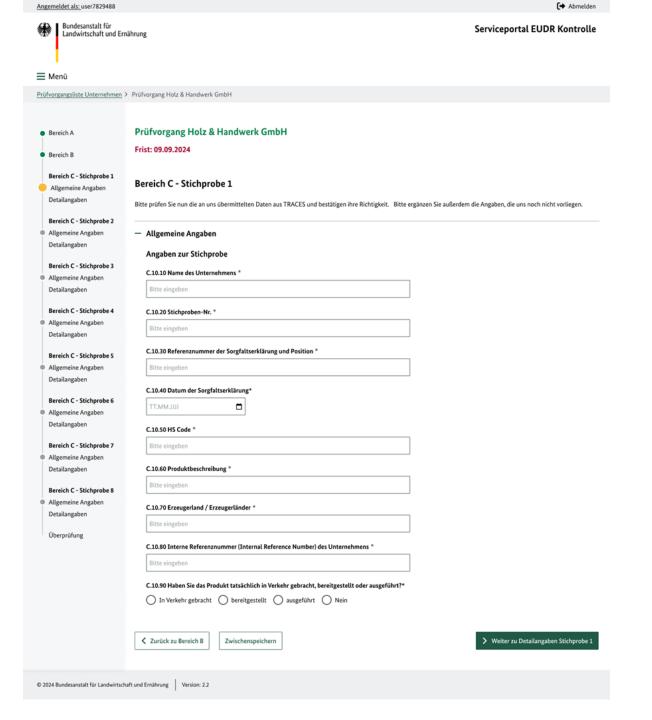
Inspection Notice / EUDR Service Portal EUDR



- Inspection orders and access information for the 'BLE EUDR Service Portal'.
- Sampling is based on the previously submitted due diligence declaration.
- Companies enter their data within the specified period and submit it for inspection.

BLE EUDR Service Portal

- Enter data and information on the following:
- Due diligence system, risk assessment and risk mitigation procedures.
- Records demonstrating the proper functioning of the due diligence system.
- Evidence for Article 9 (information requirements) for samples.



Digital control process EUDR – Evaluation & Decision

- 1. Evaluation of the company's due diligence system
 - risk assessment and risk mitigation <u>procedures</u>.
 - records demonstrating the functioning of the due diligence system.
- 2. Evaluation of records concerning sampled specific relevant products to ensure compliance with EUDR (associated due diligence statements).
- 3. If necessary:
 - On-the-ground examination of the relevant commodities/products.
 - Examination of corrective measures.
 - Material sampling and spot checks (including field audits)
- 4. Decision on necessary measures based on the evaluation, if needed:
 - Interim measures (Art.23)
 - Corrective action (Art. 25)
 - Penalties (Art. 25 and national legislation (coming soon))

Pilot testing EUDR Service Portal and Dry Runs

Dry Runs:

- Dry Runs are carried out together with the TEAM EUROPE initiative on deforestation-free value chains, EFI and other institutions in different countries, as well as selected operators.
- The aim is to facilitate a mutual learning process, especially in sectors outside the typical EUTR remit.
- This is all based on a typical inspection process to align both processes and gain further experience.

Technical pilot testing:

- Identifying errors and opportunities for improvement in the service portal and company-specific processes (end-to-end testing and the EU Information System for decision-making).
- Feedback will be incorporated into the development of the service portal.

Support, instruction and information

BLE EUDR website: www.ble.de/entwaldungsfrei

- Overview
- Legal framework
- EU Commission FAQs
- National FAQs

BLE Helpdesk

- Specific questions
- anfragen@entwaldungsfreie-produkte.de



Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Emahrung

Die BLE Unsere Themen Das BZL Das BZfE Projektförderung Dienstleistungen

Unsere Themen

Wald und entwaldungsfreie Produkte



Entwaldungsfreie Produkte

Die Europäische Union (EU) hat eine neue Verordnung für in der EU angesiedelte Unternehmen auf den Weg gebracht: Die "EU-Verordnung für entwaldungsfreie Produkte", kurz EUDR (Englisch: EU Deforestation Regulation). Für die Umsetzung und Durchführung der Verordnung in Deutschland ist die Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung (BLE) zuständig.



EUDR-Web-Seminare

Support, instruction and information

Newsletter

- regular relevant updates
- Clarification of common misconceptions

Webinar series:

- So far five Webinars conducted.
- More are planned with different topics.
- The slides and content from past webinars still available on our website.





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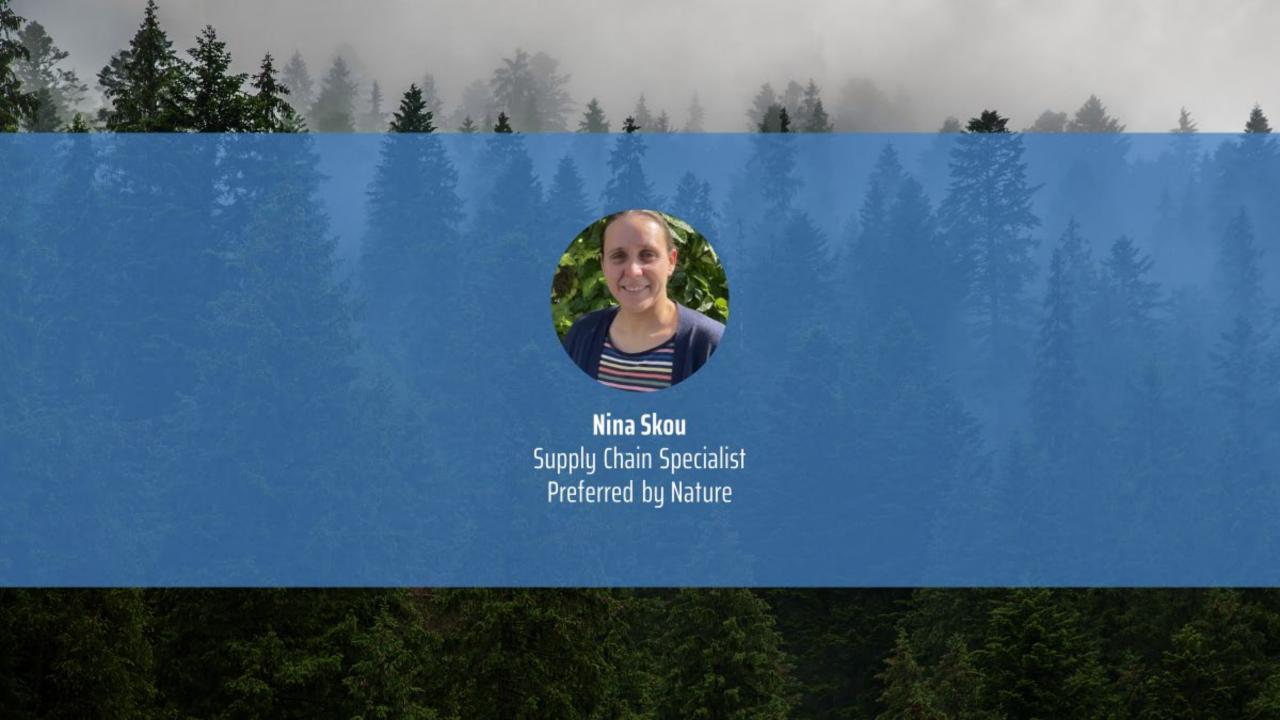
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PEFC EUDR Audit and certification

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10 September 2025



International non-profit organisation





Our certification services



Focus on forest,
agriculture and
climate impact
commodities
and related
sectors.

These are some of the certification services we offer.





Ecosystem Restoration Sustainable Travel Programme Carbon Footprint Certification



















































Certification process - Scope definition

Preparation phase

Audit phase



Scope identification



Company preparation



Supply chain engagement



Audit



EUDR alignment

Check out

- PEFC standards and guidance material
- Product groups

Identify EUDR obligations/ scope of the requirements

Prepare

Procedures, due diligence system, and train relevant personnel

Discuss with suppliers:

Dialog with the supply chain

Joint effort!

Coordinate audit scope and time with your certification body

Scope expansion audit occurs with annual audit or separate.

Scope expansion when conformance with the PEFC EUDR DDS is confirmed.



Key check points PEFC EUDR DDS

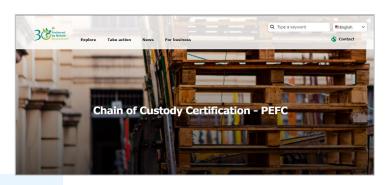


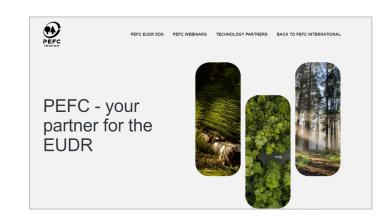


Preferred by Nature – Open-Source Policy









PEFC Guidance and Generic PEFC COC procedure template:

https://www.preferredbynature.org/certification/pefc-chain-of-custody

EUDR Scoping tool:

https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7864734/EUDR-Scoping-Tool

PEFC EUDR info and contact page:

https://www.preferredbynature.org/certification/pefceudr-dds





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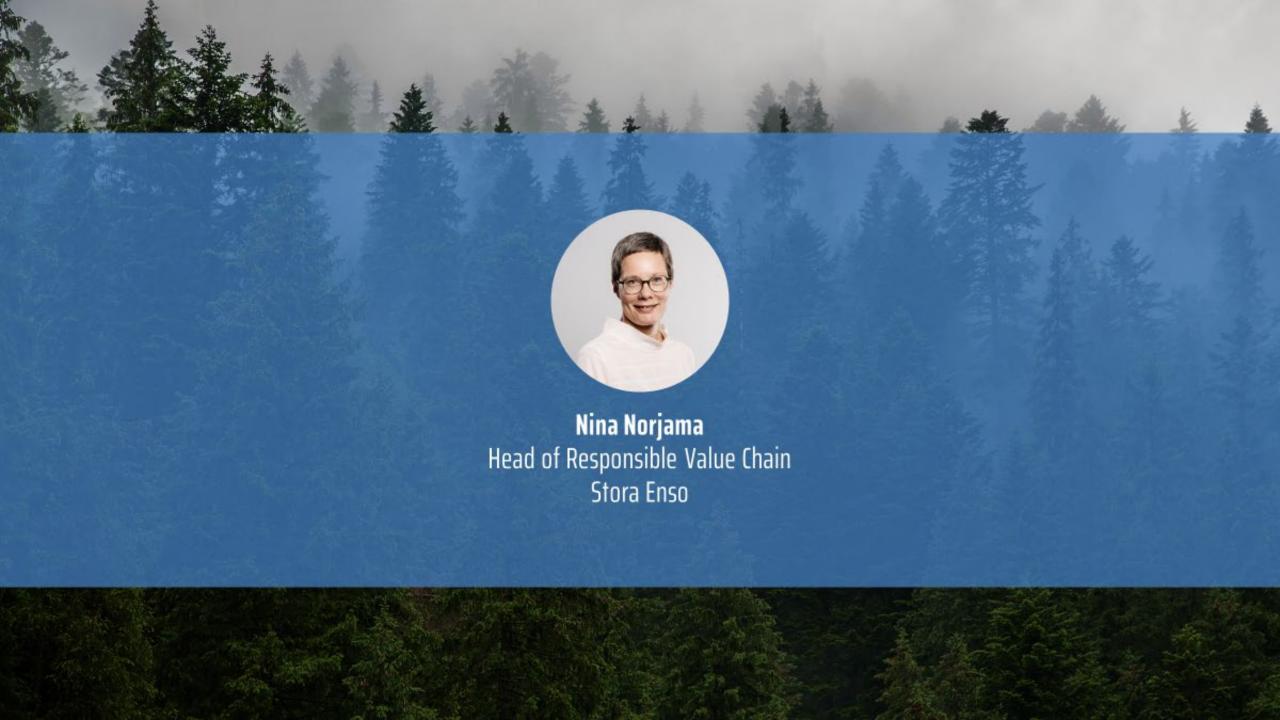


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PEFC EUDR webinar

Stora Enso & EUDR Implementation

Nina Norjama, Head of Responsible Value Chain, Group Legal Stora Enso 10/09/2025

About Stora Enso



Stora Enso is the leading provider of renewable products and solutions in packaging, biomaterials and wooden construction, and one of the largest private forest owners in the world.

Our goal is to provide 100% regenerative solutions by 2050, and we are committed to achieving a netpositive impact on biodiversity within and beyond our forests and plantations by 2050. Sales €9.0 billion in 2024 血

Operational EBIT **€598 million** in 2024



~19,000 employees

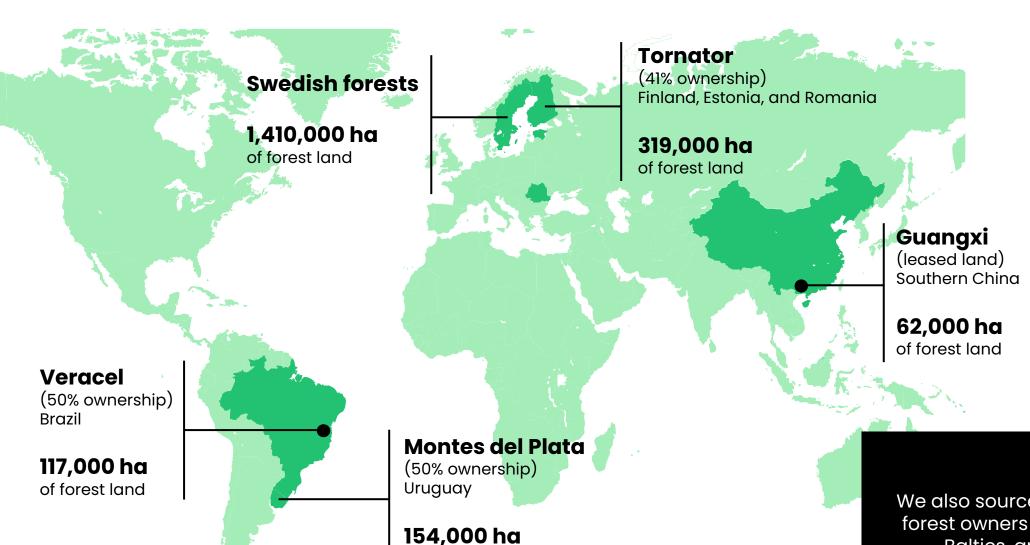


Market cap: ~€8 billion



Our forests and wood supply worldwide





of forest land

Forest owners

We also source wood from other forest owners in the Nordics, the Baltics, and Central Europe.

Key actions we have taken to ensure compliance with EUDR

12/2025



Policy updates & reporting

- Review and update relevant internal policies and guidelines.
- Update our due diligence system descriptions.
- Prepare for public reporting.
- Increase internal and external awareness.

Robust risk assessment

- Enhance our supplier risk assessment framework based on the criteria set out in Art. 10.
- Ensure risk mitigation actions for all risks that are above no or negligible risk.
- Review and develop internal processes to prevent any noncompliant or unverified fibres from entering production.

Supporting our stakeholders

- Provide information and training to customers, suppliers and private forest owners.
- When authorised by the private forest owner, submit a Due Diligence Statement on their behalf.

Improved IT landscape

- Improve IT systems to strengthen our ability to store relevant forest-related data and send due diligence statements to EU Traces by using automatic data transfers.
- Improve IT systems to ensure capability to receive relevant data from suppliers and send relevant data to our customers (e.g. changes to ERP or development of stand-alone tailored systems).

Complex fibre flows require careful considerations in the EUDR implementation











Harvesting & transportation

Wood harvested is first stored on the roadside close to the harvesting site and then transported to further.

One tree can have several end-uses: sawn timber, pulp & board and energy production.

Storage & Terminals

The wood from several harvesting sites and different suppliers is collected and stored e.g. in terminals.

Production

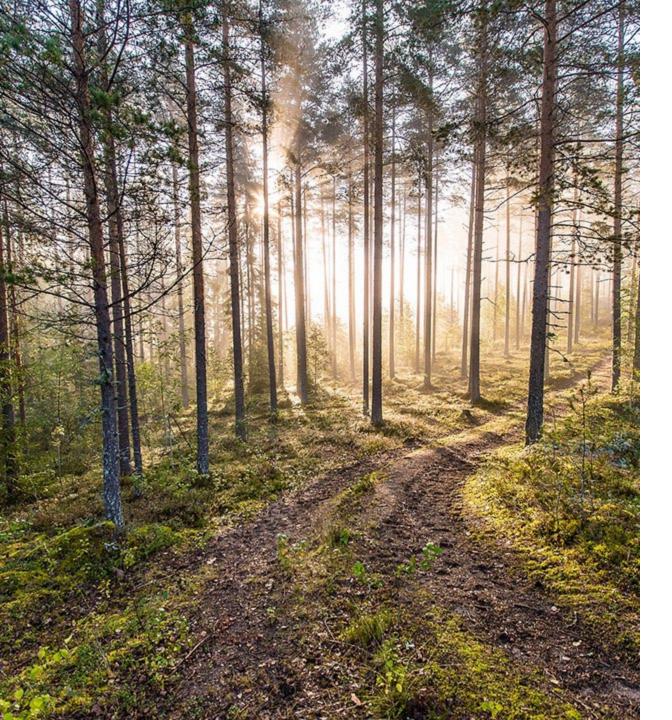
From terminals and warehouses the wood is transported to the wood yard at the mill.

One mills' production residues are often used as a raw material for another process.

Up to 2 000 m3

Up to 100 000 m3

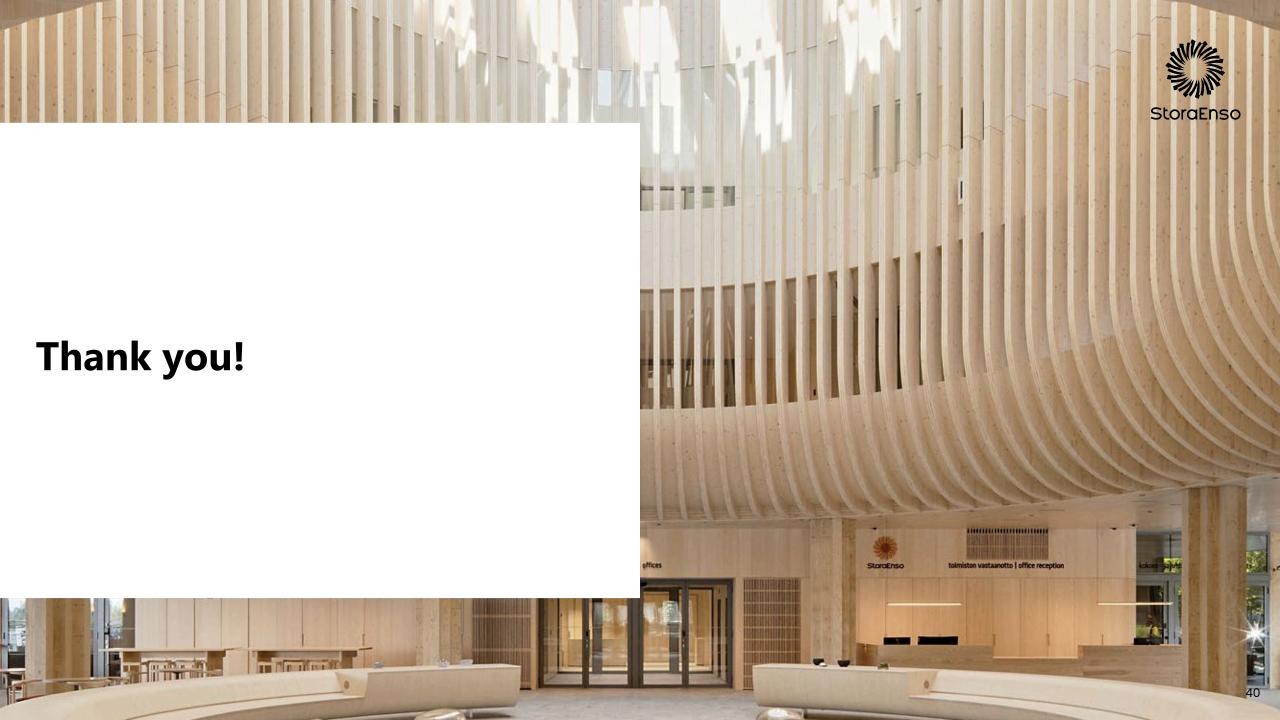
One truck load every 9 minutes



Lessons learned



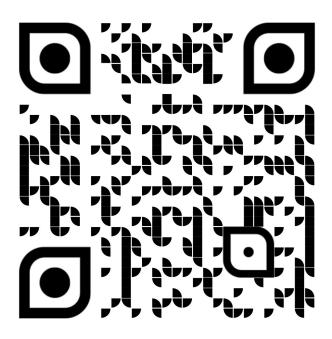
- The smooth, stable, and uninterrupted functioning of EU Traces is imperative to avoid the disruption of value chains.
- Practical and proportionate enforcement should reflect and adapt to the complexities of global value chains and process industries. Such an approach is needed to avoid unduly excessive burdens and disproportionate impacts.
- Raising awareness of the regulation's requirements should be strengthened towards both upstream and downstream actors.





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