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# EUDR in practice

## How PEFC supports compliance from forest to market

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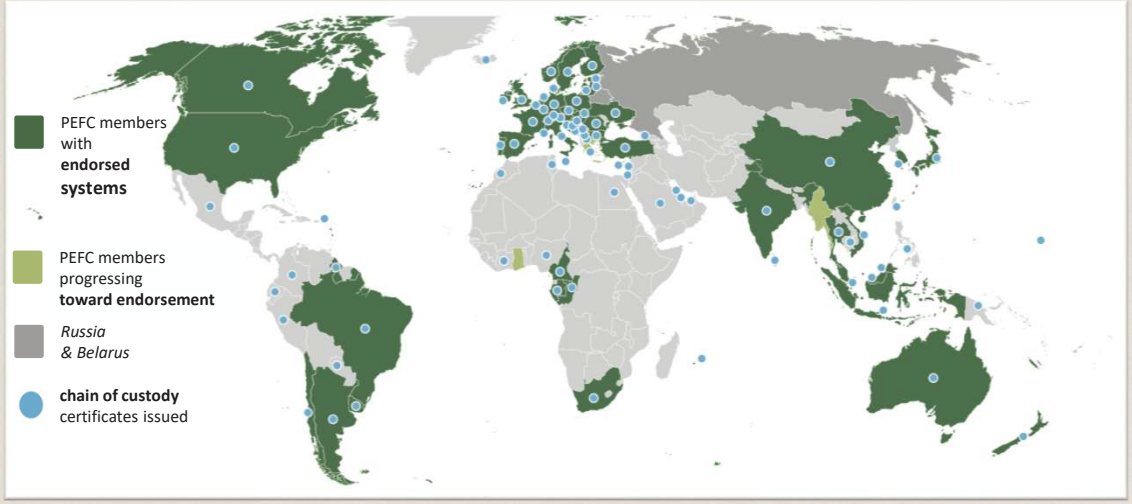
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PEFC Global Scale

# The most widely implemented forest certification system




## Collective strategy

**46** countries with endorsed certification systems aligned to PEFC International Forest Sustainability benchmark

## Collective actions

**> 1M** forest owners: small, large, public and private

**~300M** hectares PEFC-certified from endorsed systems

**=73%** of global certified forests

## Collective traceability

**~32000** PEFC-certified sites across **90** countries, audited by 3rd party against the PEFC Chain of Custody standard

### Multi-Stakeholder Standards

Open, inclusive and consensus-based process balancing environmental, social and economic forests dimensions

### Independent Verification

Audits conducted by accredited 3rd parties

Regularity, transparency, integrity

### Global Recognition

Public and private procurement policies

ESG ratings

Consumers

Source: PEFC data June 2025, FAO, FSC

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# EUDR: same ambition, revised implementation

**The EUDR's objectives remain unchanged.**

**The way operators must demonstrate compliance has been adjusted (December 2025).**

## WHAT REMAINS?

- Deforestation-free products
- Compliance with relevant producer-country legislation
- Traceability and risk-based due diligence

## WHAT HAS CHANGED?

- More targeted allocation of responsibilities
- Simplified administrative obligations
- Adjusted product scope and timelines

# EUDR timeline: when does it start applying

**30 December 2026**

General application date

Large and medium enterprises

**30 June 2027**

Extended transition

Qualifying micro and small operators

**Important exceptions:** Micro and small enterprises dealing with products previously covered by the EUTR (Timber regulation) need to comply from 30 December 2026. The extended transition is applicable to wood products under the EUDR scope and not included in the EUTR. EUTR rules are still applicable in specific cases, depending on the date of product's production and placing on the EU market. On 31 December 2029 EUDR becomes applicable for timber and all timber products.

**OTHER RELEVANT DATES**

- 30 December 2027: intro into application for 18 newly added products to the EUDR scope
- 30 June 2030: general review of the EUDR

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# EUDR simplifications and what changes in practice?

## One main due diligence checkpoint

The first operator placing a product on the EU market generally performs due diligence and submits the DDS. Downstream actors are no longer required to submit additional DDSs for products already covered.

## Information flow is still required

Downstream actors retain traceability and information-sharing obligations, but these are differentiated according to their role.

## The route for small primary producers has been simplified

Eligible micro and small primary operators in low-risk countries can use a one-time simplified declaration instead of submitting individual DDSs.

## Product-scope changes apply

Targeted exclusions and clarifications, including for wood-based and rubber products.

**Before December 2025 amendments**

Multiple DDS-related obligations along the supply chain.

More extensive downstream verification and reporting requirements.

Standard DDS procedure for small primary producers.

**Wood:** excluded certain printed products; bamboo, rattan and similar materials; certain vehicle and aircraft seats; clarified packaging rules, including for reusable packaging.
**Rubber:** covered only natural rubber from *Hevea brasiliensis*, not synthetic rubber; excluded retreaded tyres, conveyor belts and transmission belts

# The EUDR implementation toolbox

| PRACTICAL QUESTIONS | EU TOOL OR RESOURCE |
|---|---|
| How do I understand the requirements? | **FAQ and Guidance Document** |
| Is my product covered? | **Updated Annex I** |
| What is the risk level of the producing country? | **Country benchmarking** |
| How do I register and submit information? | **EUDR Information System** |
| How do I declare EUDR products to customs? | **Updated TARIC guidance** |
| Where can I find forest data to support my assessment? | **Updated Global Forest Cover map and forthcoming Global Forest Type map** |
| How is the EU supporting producing countries? | **International cooperation tools and initiatives** |
| Who is responsible for enforcement in each EU Member State? | **List of national Competent Authorities** |
| What legislation applies in producing countries? | **Repository of Relevant Legislation** |
| How can certification schemes support due diligence? | **Repository of Certification Schemes** |

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# EUDR repositories

## RELEVANT LEGISLATION

Information provided by designated national authorities on:

- Applicable legislation in producing countries
- Responsible authorities and official sources
- Indicative evidence of legal compliance

## CERTIFICATION SCHEMES

Information provided by scheme owners on:

- Scope and geographical coverage
- EUDR-relevant requirements and traceability
- Verification, governance and transparency

Submission → ITC & Commission review → Public access → Regular updates

Information to support due diligence. It does not establish certification or automatic recognition of EUDR compliance.

# EUDR key takeaways

1. Post December 2025: same objectives, revised implementation requirements.
2. Different starting dates depending on company size, role in the supply chain and product.
3. Due diligence concentrated upstream, with differentiated obligations downstream.
4. Two new repositories will improve access to relevant information.
5. EU guidance and practical support from organisations such as PEFC are available.

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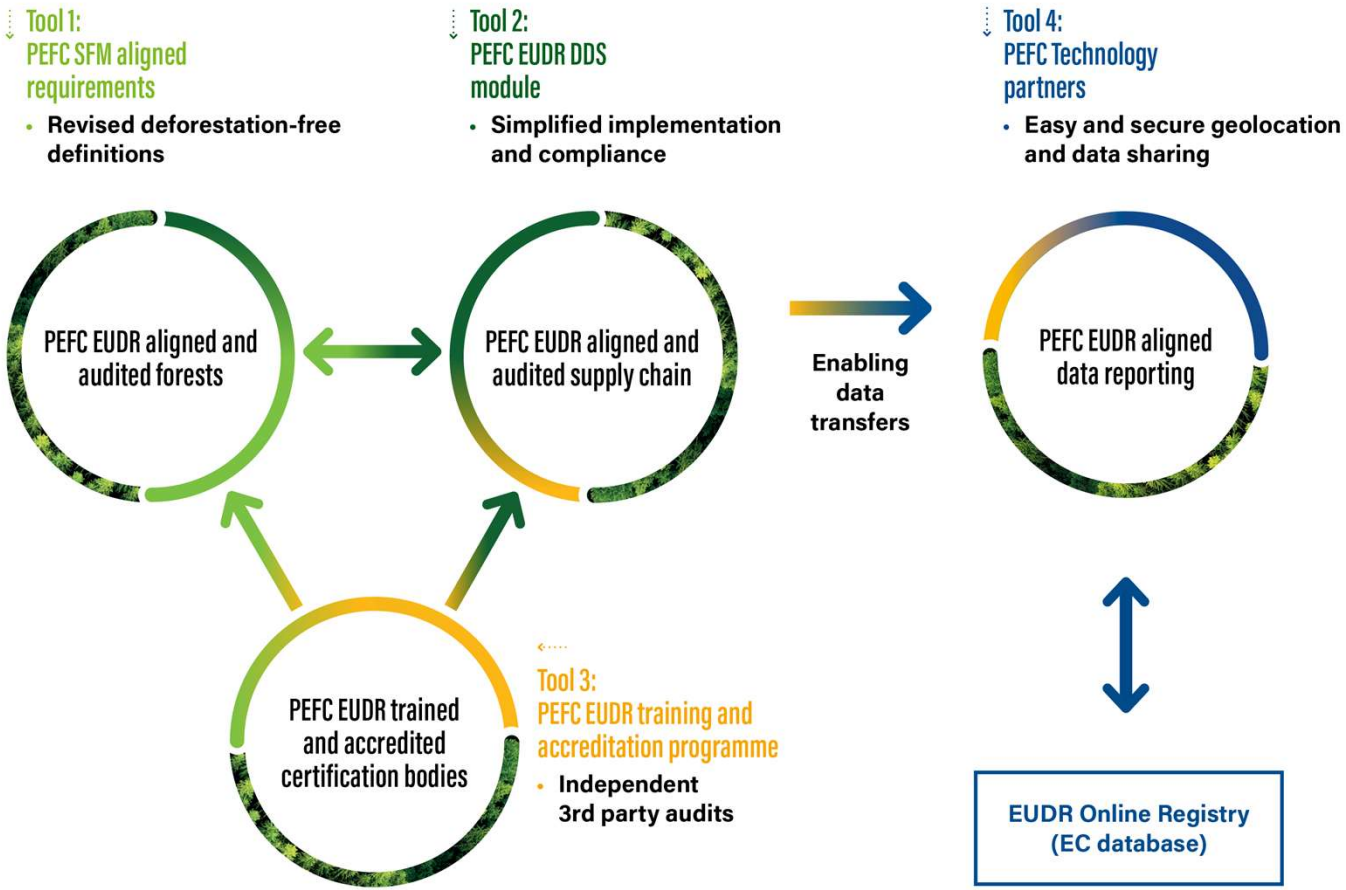






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# PEFC EUDR compliance support toolkit




## BENEFITS

- ✓ 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

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NEW TradeAware Professional package

# EUDR compliance for operators with a handful of suppliers

**€3,990** for your first year

Try it for three months.
Commit only if it works for you.

## WHAT YOU GET

- ✓ Unlimited plots and geolocations
- ✓ Five supplier risk scores
- ✓ 50 statements filed to TRACES
- ✓ One seat with single sign-on
- ✓ Email support

**Need more than this? Move up to Enterprise.**

More users, multiple legal entities, over 20 suppliers, API access or legal review of your documents. Speak with our team.

## HOW YOU PAY

01

AT SIGN-UP

**€1,197**

Covers your first three months, with the full platform from day one.

02

AT MONTH THREE

**You decide**

Not for you? Give written notice and you pay nothing more.

03

IF YOU CONTINUE

**€2,793**

For the rest of your first year, which then becomes binding.



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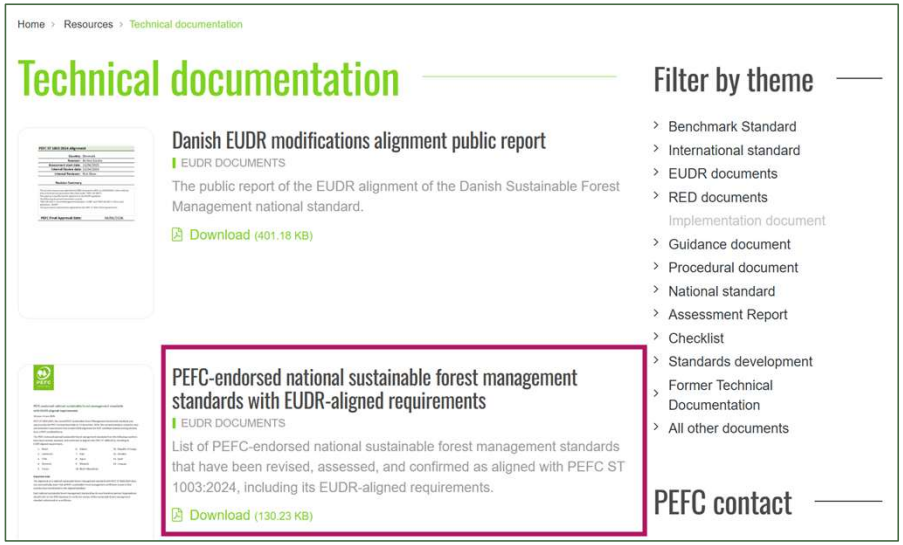
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# PEFC SFM alignment as of October 2026

- **Currently 19 SFM standards aligned to PEFC ST 1003:2024**

(Chile; France; Uruguay; Spain; Japan; Italy; Slovakia; Congo; Cameroon; Gabon; Brazil; Malaysia; North Macedonia; Denmark; Luxembourg, South Africa; India; ATFS; Bosnia and Herzegovina).




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# PEFC EUDR DDS module

- EUDR aligned DDS to support EUDR obligations and pass on PEFC-EUDR claims
- Specific requirements for CBs
- Coverage: full supply chain (non-EU and EU based organisations)
- Scope: wood and rubber
- Around 65 PEFC EUDR certificates issued globally in the following countries:
  - Brazil, Cambodia, Chile, China, India, Malaysia, Switzerland and Vietnam



## PEFC EUDR DDS STEPS

- Collection of information
- Risk assessment
- Substantiated concerns
- Risk mitigation
- No placement on the market

### COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

- Enabling traceability to the plot of land
- EUDR related data to be passed on throughout the supply chain
- Partnering with different softwares that ease the transfer of the information

### RISK ASSESSMENT

- Illegality
- Deforestation and forest degradation
- Controversial sources
- Mixing at supply chain level and circumvention

### RISK MITIGATION

- Detailed set of requirements, including information request, audits and corrective measures

### SUBSTANTIATED CONCERNS

- Investigate
- Share information

# PEFC EUDR module implementation – scope matters!

- All material entering PEFC Chain of Custody shall be controlled:
  > Either from PEFC certified forest aligned EUDR
  > Or shall go through risk assessment and risk mitigation

**PEFC core controlled method:**

- All material entering a PEFC Chain of Custody supply chain shall be either PEFC certified or PEFC controlled sources (including controlled mass balance via ether percentage or credit system).
- Any material entering the PEFC EUDR DDS needs to additionally conform to the PEFC ST 2002-1 EUDR DDS modular standard to successfully obtain a PEFC-EUDR claim.
- Every product with a PEFC-EUDR claim on it, it is 100%.

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## 2026 version: revision to align with latest EUDR simplifications

- **Updated roles according to supply chain position**
  - > Simplifications for downstream operators and traders
  - > Simplified declaration for micro and small primary operators
- **Strengthening the integrity of the PEFC EUDR supply chain**
  - > One unannounced surveillance audit per certification cycle
  - > Summary audit reports made publicly available
  - > Organisations to inform their CB in the event of legal investigations
- **Strengthening PEFC monitoring and evaluation**
  - > Additional information exchange between PEFC-CBs and companies (legal sanctions, substantiated concerns and complaints)

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# Overview of key EUDR obligations according to simplifications

| Non-EU based organisation | SME-operator | Non-SME operator | First downstream operator | Non-SME downstream operator and trader |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Exercises DD | | | | |
| Passes full information to supplier | Submits Due Diligence Statement or one-time simplified declaration (SD) if micro/small primary operator (declaration identifier)<br>SD: Postal address may replace geolocation in defined cases | Submits Due Diligence Statement (reference number) | Register on Traces | |
| | Provides reference number or declaration identifier to downstream operator | Provides reference number to downstream operator | Retain declaration identifier or DDS reference number | |
| | | Appoints an EUDR compliance officer | | |
| | | Report publicly on its DDS | | |

# PEFC across the supply chain

## PEFC enables full supply-chain certification

### Non-EU suppliers

**Certified system**

Provide information through the supply chain.

Conduct EUDR aligned DDS.

Demonstrate your PEFC compliance through PEFC-EUDR claims and help your suppliers with their legal obligations.

### EU operator

**EUDR compliance**

Receive PEFC certified supplier information.

Implement/extend (for PEFC certified companies) the chain of custody.

Follow EUDR-aligned DDS steps and pass on PEFC-EUDR claims.

### Downstream operators and traders

**Claims & follow-up**

Receive PEFC-EUDR claims.

Follow up through the supply chain and pass on PEFC-EUDR claims (if certified).

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# Accreditation, certification and transition periods

**Organisations:**

- 12 months transition period if already certified to 2024 version:
- New certificates will be issued against revised 2026 version
- Certified organisations shall move to 2026 revised version at the next audit
- Any unaccredited certificates shall move to accredited as soon as possible – see below

**Certification Bodies:**

- Can operate unaccredited certification if accreditation currently unavailable – see Implementation Procedure but note timelines and Interim standard
- Will be able to achieve accreditation either via Global ACI MRA, or direct to their accreditation body
- PEFC International is updating the Global ACI MRA at present with Global ACI

**Help is available from standards@pefc.org**

# Accreditation and transition period

**Certification bodies:**

- Shall pass PEFC EUDR training before start auditing
  - > Online module
  - > Early bird fee (contact training@pefc.org)
- Accredited CBs
  - > Upgrade the accreditation to the revised version within 12 months
- Unaccredited CBs
  - > Seek for accreditation against the revised version within 12 months

**Accreditation process:**

- Updated documentation sent to Global ACI for MRA update
- Until accreditation ready:
  - ➢ Authorisation of certification under current accreditation
  - ➢ Authorisation of unaccredited certification for 12 months






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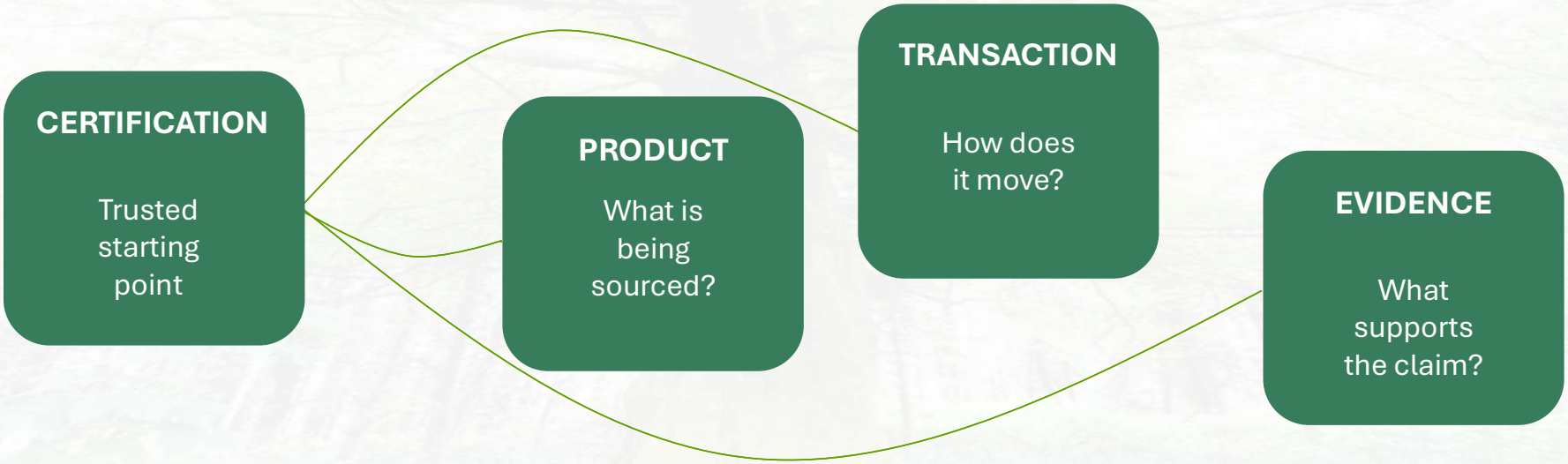
# From Certification to Connected Supply Chains

*Introducing the PEFC × CommonShare Pilot Program*

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# Certification is the foundation. What comes next?

Today’s sourcing questions increasingly connect certification to specific products, transactions and supporting evidence.



# Meet CommonShare

Supply chain data infrastructure connecting information, evidence and independent verification across organizations and systems.

## CONNECT

Supplier, facility, product and transaction data

## MANAGE

Certification records and supporting evidence

## VERIFY

Scoped independent third-party verification

**Interoperable by design • Data sovereignty at the core • Supplier-friendly • Evidence linked to the relevant records**

# Why PEFC + CommonShare?

Complementary strengths. One practical opportunity.

## PEFC

- Forest certification expertise
- Chain of Custody framework
- Certification ecosystem

## COMMONSHARE

- Connected supply chain records
- Product and transaction traceability
- Evidence and verification workflows

**Together: explore how certification data can become more connected and useful in real supply chains.**

# Introducing the pilot programme

A practical opportunity to test approaches in real forest- and tree-based product supply chains.

**01 EXPLORE**

Connect certification, product and transaction information

**02 TEST**

Share and review supporting evidence in practice

**03 SHAPE**

Contribute operational insights to future approaches

# Why should suppliers, retailers and brands participate?

### INFLUENCE

Contribute practical experience to evolving workflows

### VISIBILITY

Explore links between certification, products and transactions

### EFFICIENCY

Identify ways to reduce repeated supplier requests

### READINESS

Understand emerging evidence expectations

**A focused pilot to learn what works.**

# Interested in helping shape what comes next?

## Join the conversation.

Explore the relevance of the pilot to your supply chain, what participation could involve, and the potential benefits for your organization.

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# Q&A

