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EU Commission: Proposal of measures to ensure the timely implementation of EUDR

On 21 October 2025, the Commission proposed targeted solutions to support companies, global stakeholders, third countries and Member States to ensure smooth implementation of the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR).

The EUDR is a key initiative to fight deforestation. The Commission is committed to pursuing its objectives to make sure that the IT system is fully operational to address the EU's contribution to the global challenge of deforestation. At the same time, the proposal will simplify reporting obligations, notably for micro and small primary operators from low-risk countries worldwide, while maintaining a robust tracking mechanism.

Key measures

Considering feedback from stakeholders in the context of the Commission's simplification efforts throughout the year, the Commission proposal introduces targeted simplifications to reduce obligations for:

Operators and traders that commercialize the relevant EUDR products once they have been placed on the EU market. These can be, for example, retailers or large EU manufacturing companies. These companies are in the **downstream part of the relevant value chains**. The upstream operator will continue to exercise due diligence.

Micro and small primary operators from low-risk countries worldwide who sell their goods directly on the European market. These cover close to 100% of farmers and foresters in the EU.

Procedures and outlook

In December 2024, the European Union granted a 12-month additional phasing-in period, making the law applicable on 30 December 2025 for large and medium companies (whereby no penalties will be imposed during inspections for six months if requirements have not yet been met) and 30 June 2026 for micro and small enterprises.

From 24 November to 27 November 2025, the members of the European Parliament voted on the European Commission's proposed amendment. The final vote is scheduled for 15 December through 18 December 2025.

The Commission is working on contingency plans to enable economic operators to comply with their obligations if the proposal is not adopted by the legislative bodies in time.

More details to be found in the [press release](#) of the EU Commission of 21 October 2025.

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