

Taking the Next Steps in your EUDR Journey

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Rainforest Alliance Sustainable Agriculture Standard Requirements



Coming in 2024



We are fast-tracking a number of key adjustments to our certification systems and tools.

These updates—coming into effect in 2024—will help us support your EUDR needs in the following areas:

- For farmers: EUDR criteria for cocoa and coffee Certificate Holders
 - ▶ from January 15, 2024
- For companies: Supporting evidence for compliance



Rainforest Alliance Policy: Alignment with the European Union Deforestation Regulations (EUDR)

For Farmers: EUDR Criteria for Cocoa and Coffee Certificate Holders

As of **January 15**, **2024**, farm CHs are able to select specific criteria that align with EUDR requirements in the Rainforest Alliance Certification Platform (RACP).

EUDR1: Polygons are available for all farm units of 4ha and above. Geolocation points are available for all other farm units.

EUDR2: Geolocation data for both points and polygons must have 6 decimals.

EUDR3: Management implements measures to prevent and address potential cases of corruption (including bribery and extortion), fraud and nepotism by:

- A written public statement that is communicated to group members/workers and supply chain partners
- Training of management and workers/group members to raise awareness of possible forms, at least annually
- Taking measures to avoid, and to remediate cases

EUDR4: Management shows evidence of payment of all applicable fees, royalties, taxes and other charges as prescribed by local laws and regulations.

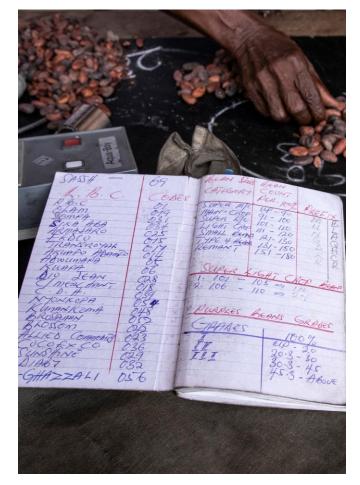
By selecting these requirements, farm CHs agree to allow the Rainforest Alliance to share specific data required by EUDR with their supply chain.



For companies: Supporting Evidence for Compliance

Our certification system already offers **complete traceability options**—and by December 30, 2024, supply chain stakeholders will be able to identify farm Certificate Holders who have selected the EUDR criteria in the RACP.

- Data formats will be compatible with the EU information system
- Supply chain actors who opt in to receive EUDRaligned data in RACP will agree to limit the use of this data to EUDR compliance
- Supply chain actors must transact traceability as "Identity Preserved" or "Mixed Identity Preserved" in the Rainforest Alliance traceability system (MultiTrace)



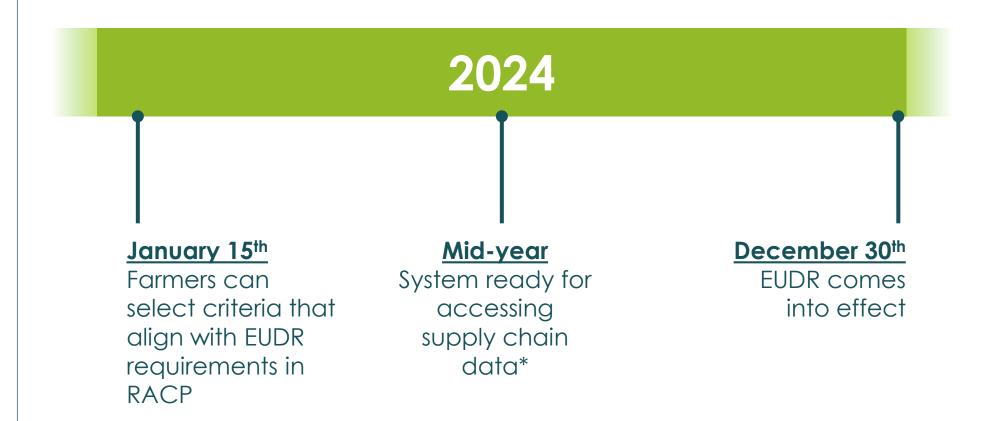
Rainforest Alliance is not responsible for and assumes no liability for companies' EUDR compliance obligations



Self-selection in RA Certification Platform (RACP)



Reminder: timeline

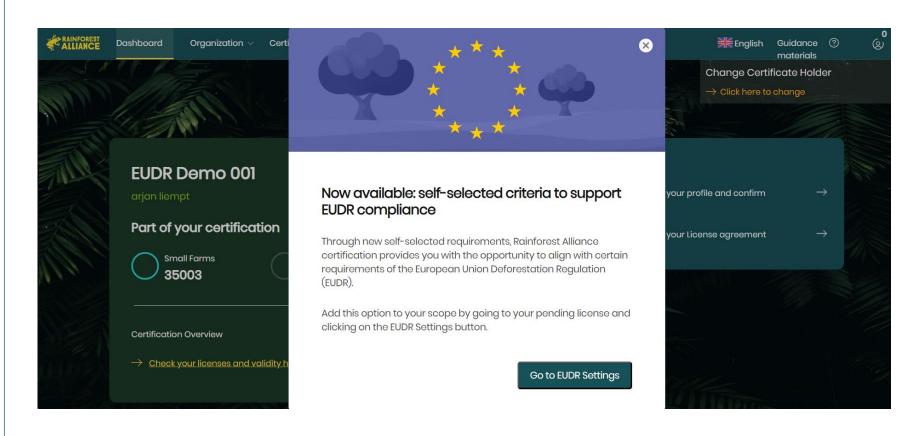


^{*}In order to access EUDR data provided by producers, our supply chain partners must participate in traceability within the RA system. Traceability is the backbone of the Rainforest Alliance Certification System and connects the producers to their partners in the supply chain.



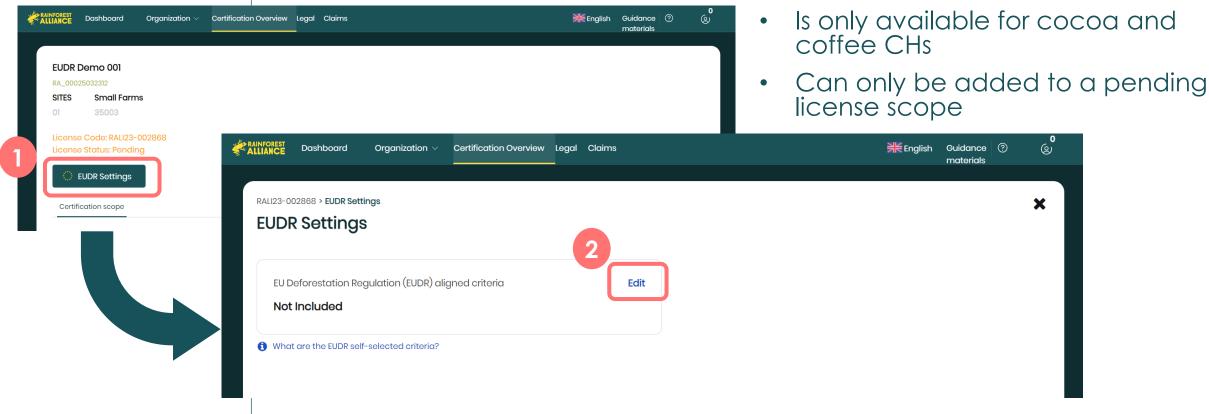
EUDR offering now live in RACP

From **15 January**, Cocoa and coffee CHs will be able to access the EUDR offering via our Certification Platform (RACP)





How to find the EUDR option in RACP



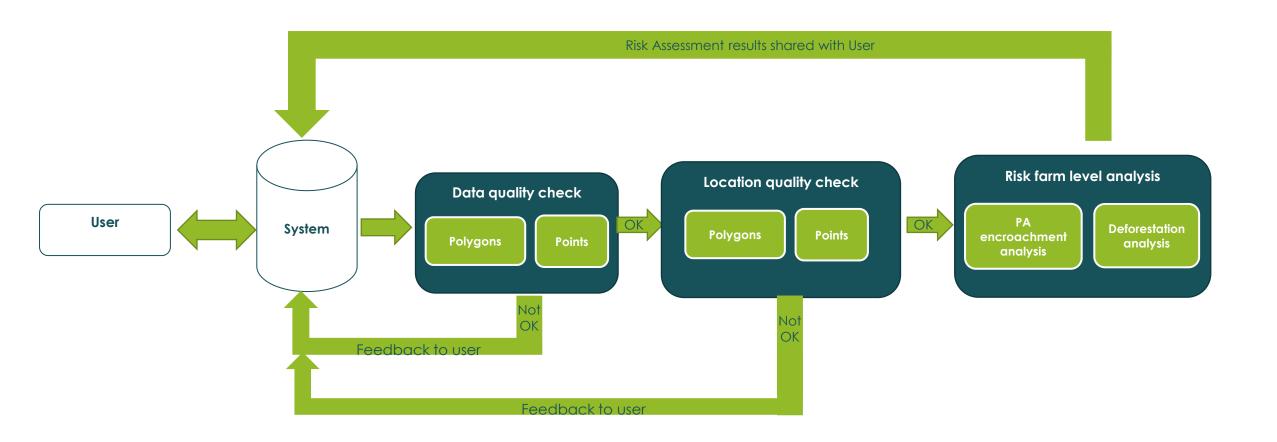
- 3 CHs agree to the terms and the **EUDR Data Sharing policy**
- 4 For farm CHs EUDR self-selected requirements are added to scope. For supply chain CHs they will be able to access EUDR data after purchasing volumes from CHs with an active license containing the EUDR requirements.



Deforestation Risk Assessment for Certification

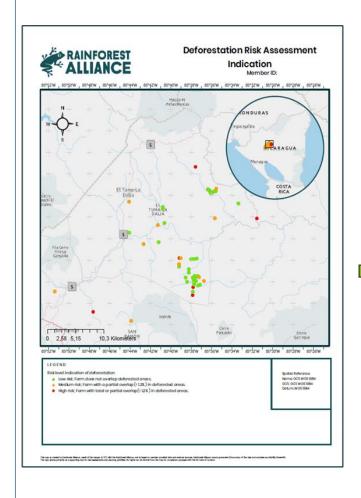


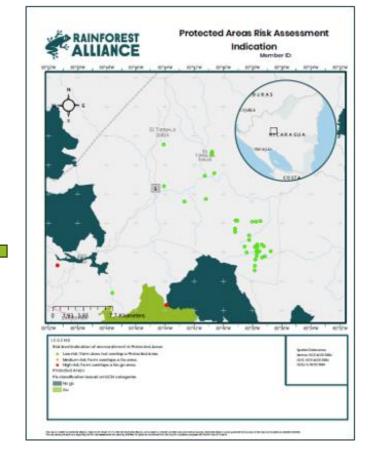
Risk assessment flow





Geodata Risk Assessment Results farm CHs



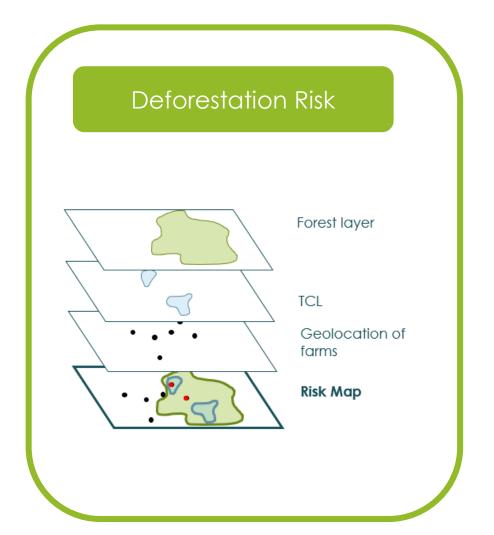




Excel file including farm unit information & assessment results for each farm unit



How are geodata risk maps made?







Forest and tree loss data layers

Dataset	Specifications	Definition
RA Forest Layer	Forest layer for risky countries. Spatial resolution: 10m	Forest: land spanning more than 0.5 hectares with trees higher than 5 meters and a canopy cover of more than 10 percent, or trees able to reach these thresholds in situ. It does not include land that is predominantly under agricultural or other land use.1
Copernicus Forest Layer	Forest layer for non- risky countries. Spatial resolution: 100m Version: 3.0	Forest; Based on the Forest Type layer. Using at least 10% tree cover density and using Dominant Leaf Type (DLT) layer together with FAO's forest definition to exclude and include areas.
Tree Cover Loss layer (TCL)	Hansen UMD Tree Cover Loss Spatial resolution: 30m Version: 2.0.7 Years: 2014 – 2019.	Tree cover: all vegetation greater than 5 meters in height and may take the form of natural forests or plantations across a range of canopy densities. Tree Cover Loss (TCL): is defined as "stand replacement disturbance," or the complete removal of tree cover canopy.



Assurance

Assurance of the EUDR Package is performed by the Assurance Provider (Certification Body) during the normal Rainforest Alliance certification or surveillance audit.

- Third-party Assurance Provider (Certification Body)
- Risk-based sampling

Additionally, the Rainforest Alliance Supply Chain certification program is third-party audited to provide assurance against many criteria, including traceability.



Additional Resources



Resources

- Webpage & FAQ
- External webinar recording (October 11, 2023)
- Rainforest Alliance Policy: Alignment with the European Union Deforestation Regulations (EUDR)
- <u>EUDR Data Sharing Policy</u>
- Rainforest Alliance Learning Network E-Course for Certificate Holders
- Rainforest Alliance Learning Network E-Course for Certification Bodies



Q&A



Thank you.

For questions, please reach out to your main contact or customersuccess@ra.org

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