



EU Deforestation Regulation Simplification Review

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Simplification Review

Key elements:

- 1) Report to the European Parliament and the Council
- 2) Updated version of the FAQs
- 3) Updated version of the Guidance
- 4) Draft Implementing Act on the Information System (now submitted to comitology procedure)
- 5) Draft Delegated Act proposing changes to the product scope, accompanied by a Staff Working Document (now open for a four-week public feedback period)
- 6) Supply Chains Infographics



Report

- fulfils the obligation set out in the simplification review clause of the revised EUDR (Art. 34(1)(a))
- describes stakeholder consultations and simplification measures taken since 2023 until December 2025
- provides details on the stakeholder feedback received in December 2025 – February 2026 and measures taken on its basis
- provides **quantification of the administrative burden** related to EUDR: ***expected reduction of annual compliance costs for companies subject to EUDR obligations of about 75%, compared to the original EUDR***
- outlines **how the EUDR is structurally changing global supply chains**
- announces the planned launch of **repositories of legislation of producing countries** and of **certification schemes for commodities**



FAQs

- Based on stakeholder input received over the past months
- Most requested clarifications: new rules for **downstream supply chains**, role of **micro or small primary operators**
- **1) Downstream supply chain**
 - Role of the “first downstream”
 - Dual role
 - Substantiated concerns
 - Exports and re-imports
- **2) Micro or small primary operators**
 - Size determination / fluctuation
 - Quantities & geolocation modalities
 - Role of cooperatives and associations
- **3) e-commerce**



Guidance

- clearer explanations on **simplified due diligence** (Article 13)
- clarifies information collection for the **legality criterion** (Article 2(40) and Article 9(1)(h)):
 - the extent of the information collection obligation depends on the level of risk of the particular supply chain;
 - where the initial information indicates a negligible risk of non-compliance, no in-depth evidence collection is necessary;
 - initial information can include the country benchmarking, World Bank's Governance Indicators, information on the supply known to the operator prior to exercising due diligence, public reports, and others;
 - operators may use the repository of relevant legislation to assist in meeting the information requirements

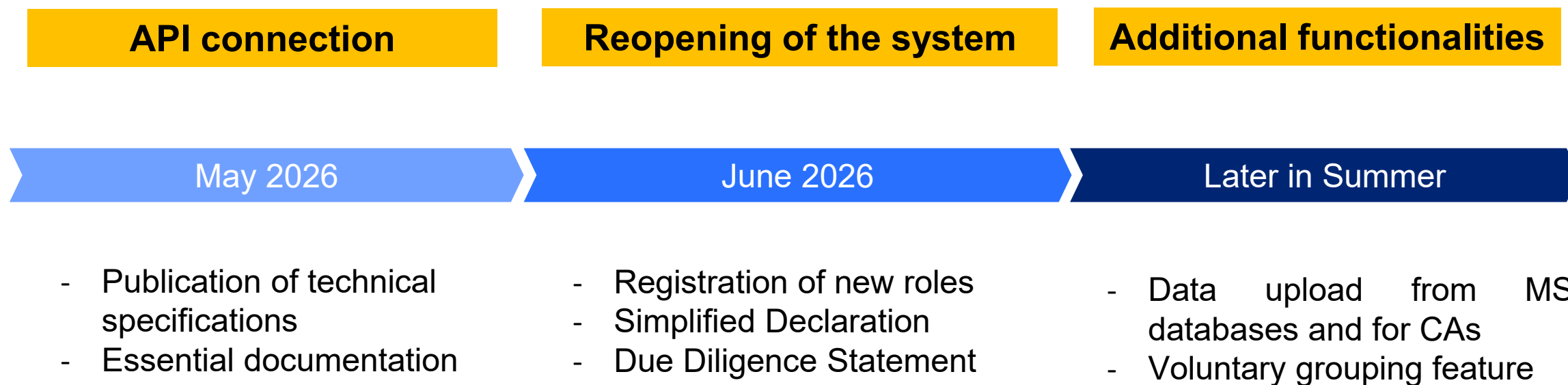


Information System

- Integrating new features stemming from revised EUDR
- **Main new functionalities** will be:
 - Submission of Simplified Declarations
 - Registration of new roles: Micro or Small Primary Operator, Non-SME Downstream Operator or Non-SME Trader
 - Voluntary Grouping
 - Submission of information from Member States' databases [Art. 4a(4)]
- Update of user instructions, training videos and online trainings, guidance on geolocation data handling
- Targeted technical improvements for enhanced performance, resilience and user friendliness
- **Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/3084:** will now be subject to comitology procedure with Member States



Timeline on the Information System



Draft Delegated Act on Annex I (scope)

Key elements of the draft Delegated Act

I. Simplifications and technical fixes

- Simplifications for specific categories of products (e.g. samples, prototypes, packing materials, used and second-hand products)
- Integrating the original draft with input received during last year's public feedback

II. Proposed changes to the product scope

- 17 new product codes are proposed for inclusion in the scope of EUDR, namely soluble coffee, certain palm oil derivatives, and frozen cattle tongue.
- 3 product codes and 6 sub-codes are proposed for removal from the scope of EUDR, namely retreaded tyres, hides, skins and leather of cattle.
- Methodology and changes to the product scope explained in the accompanying Staff Working Document.

Published for 4-week public feedback on [Have Your Say](#) until 1 June 2026



Staff Working Document

Methodological framework with a quantitative and qualitative assessment

Quantitative assessment

Evaluates measurable factors guiding decisions around changes to the scope of the EUDR. These factors include:

- 1 Deforestation footprint
- 2 Emission footprint
- 3 Compliance costs
- 4 Environmental benefits

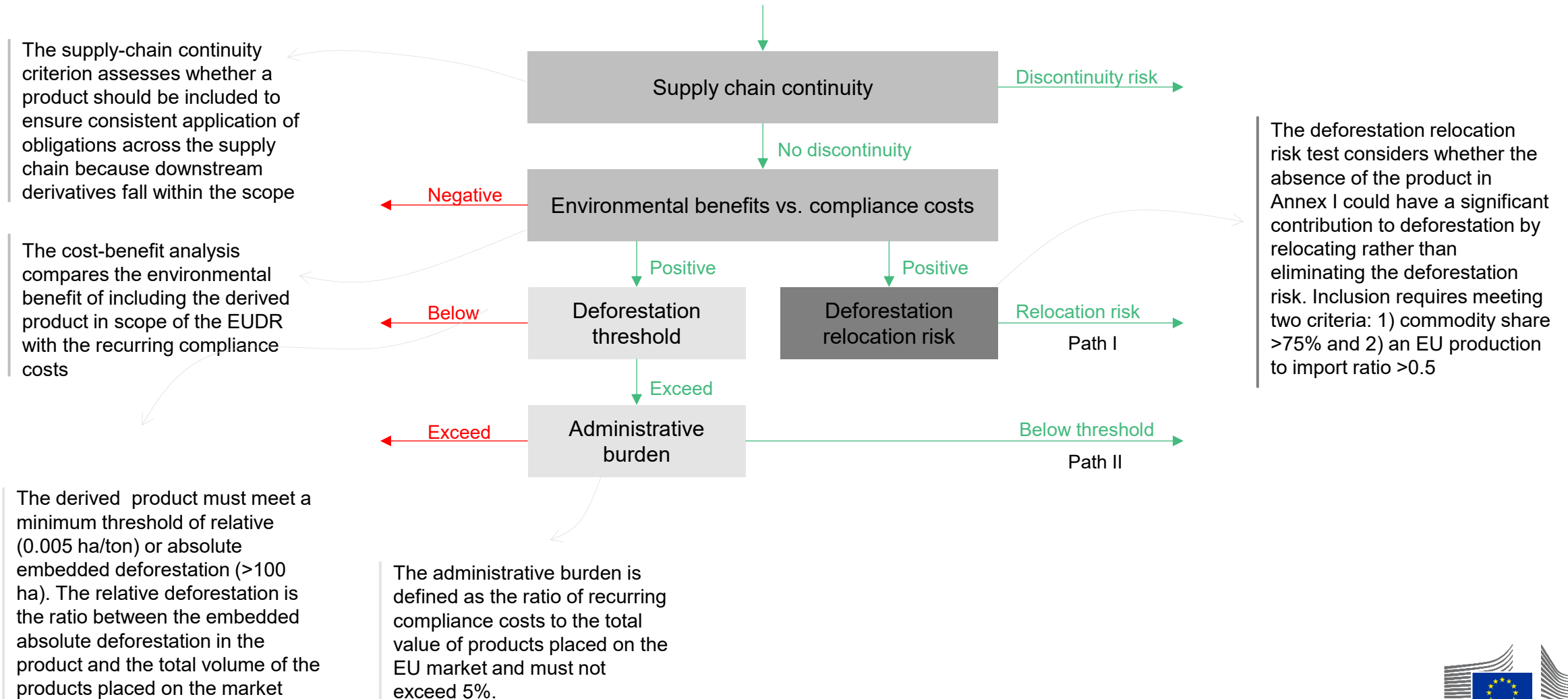
Qualitative assessment

Considers additional factors that could not be described in quantitative terms. These factors include:

- 1 Coherence along and between supply chains
- 2 Structure of the relevant supply chains, the particular situations of sectors, and at potential spill-over effects.
- 3 Overlaps with other policy initiatives and coherence with policy objectives in other areas (e.g. circularity, energy security, food security).



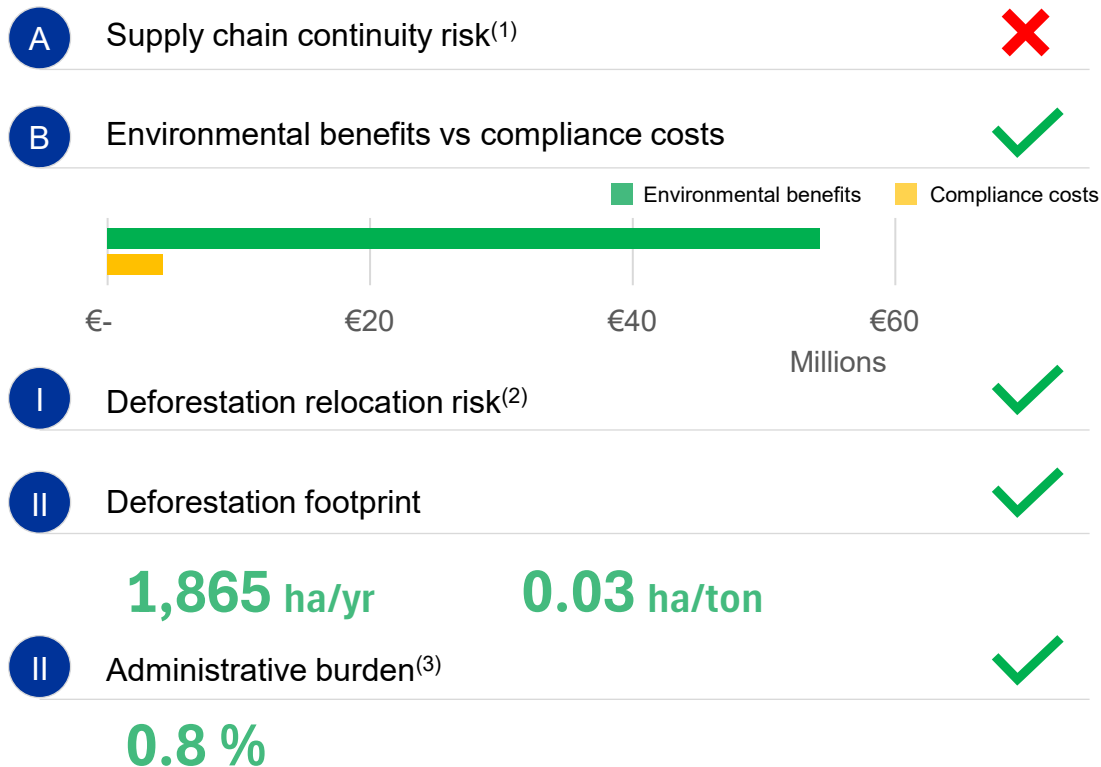
Quantitative assessment methodology



Soluble coffee

Proposal: Include soluble coffee (HS 2101 11 00) in Annex I of the EUDR

Quantitative assessment



Qualitative assessment

- 1 **Fragmented and incoherent approach** for the coffee sector for operators placing the relevant goods on the Union market
- 2 High likelihood that the deforestation risk embedded in coffee used for soluble products is being **relocated rather than eliminated**

1. The supply-chain continuity check is conducted to identify downstream derivatives of the product being analysed and to assess whether these derivatives fall within the scope of the EUDR, to ensure that the entire supply chain is treated consistently and prevents gaps in the product coverage of the Regulation

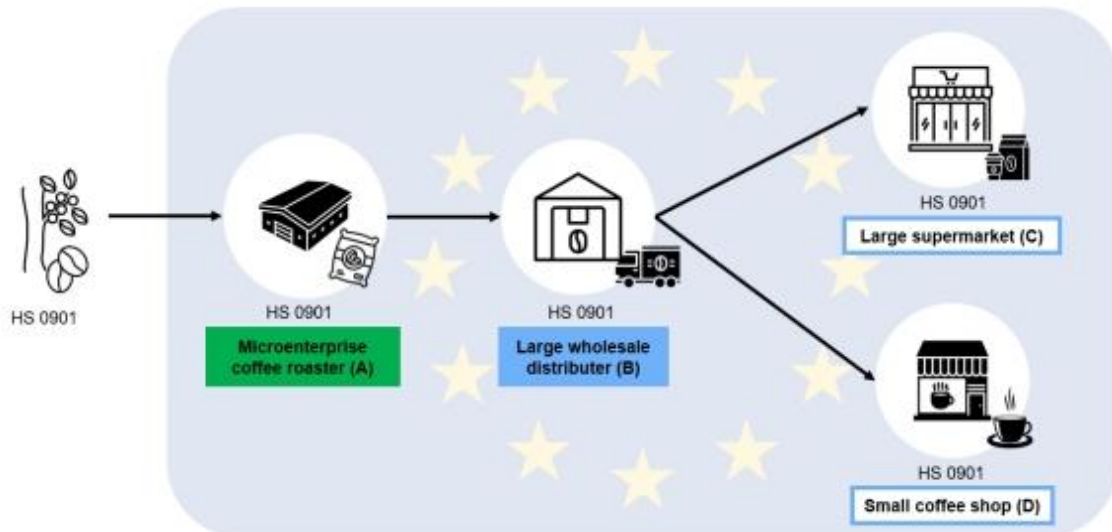
2. This path considers whether the absence of the product code in Annex I could have a significant contribution to deforestation by relocating rather than eliminating the deforestation risk. To be proposed for inclusion based on this path, the product and its supply chain must fulfil two criteria, relating to the commodity share in the derived product (>75%) and the ratio between imports and domestic production of the good concerned (EU > 0.5x import)

3. The administrative burden is defined as the ratio of recurring compliance costs to the total value of products placed on the EU market and must not exceed 5%.

EUDR Supply Chain Infographics

To support stakeholders the Commission is developing a range of **communication tools**, including website revamped and infographic

Scenario 7: Supply chain for coffee



Scenario example from "EUDR supply chain infographics" p. 24

- **Supply chain infographics** : user-friendly information on who has to do what in the different supply chains.
- **Up-to-date reference**: 4th edition of the document reflecting the December amendments
- **Practical scenario-based guidance**: illustrated supply chain walkthroughs covering all commodities and helps identify the exact role and obligations under EUDR





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