



## Clarity regarding EUDR in terms of feasibility!

**We at Lidl support the objective of the EU regulation for deforestation-free supply chains (EUDR).**

The European Union aims to be a leader in environmental protection and to fulfill its global responsibility for imports and exports. To achieve these goals, a clear design and application of the EUDR is crucial. At Lidl, we are committed to deforestation-free and transparent supply chains because we see it as our responsibility to drive the transformation towards a sustainable and climate-friendly economy.

In 2020, for example, we signed the "Cerrado Manifest" against illegal land grabbing in soybean cultivation in Brazil and, together with other stakeholders, spoke out in December 2022 in favor of the integration of "other wooded lands" into the EU regulation. We have also been setting ambitious certification targets for raw materials with a high risk of deforestation for years in order to reduce negative ecological impacts as much as possible.<sup>1</sup> We have published these ambitious targets and measures for deforestation- and conversion-free supply chains in our purchasing policy.<sup>2</sup>

Since the regulation came into force on June 29, 2023, we have been very committed to the EUDR. For us, a **clear planning perspective** and **pragmatic, practicable applicability** are of great urgency for the successful implementation of the EUDR. This is also of central importance **for the long-term competitiveness and sustainability of the European economy.**

**We therefore welcome the postponement of the date of application by 12 months to 30.12.2025.** We would like to make it clear that **we are committed to complying with the goals of the EUDR and reject any weakening of the regulation.**

We respectfully call upon all policymakers to expedite clarification of the date of application and ask that you ensure that measures to implement the EUDR are both practical and necessary, thereby facilitating a seamless transition for all stakeholders.

**We at Lidl remain available to discuss the feasibility of measures** in order to help shape the sustainable transformation of the European economy.

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<sup>1</sup> Purchasing Policy for our raw materials: <https://info.lidl.de/pdf/show/81199>

<sup>2</sup> Purchasing policy for deforestation- and conversion-free supply chains: <https://info.lidl.de/pdf/show/101342><https://info.lidl.de/pdf/show/101342>