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EU Deforestation Regulation: Commission proposes 12 month delay to implementation

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Regulation

<u>Proposal</u> for a Regulation amending the EU Deforestation Regulation as regards provisions relating to the date of application

What is changing and why?

The European Commission has proposed a delay in implementation of the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) so that it will apply from **30 December 2025** for large EU companies, and **30 June 2026** for micro- and small EU companies, 12 months later than originally planned.

The proposal to delay the EUDR is in response to concerns expressed by some EU Member States and trading partners that many operators are not sufficiently prepared to comply with all the Regulation's requirements by the end of 2024.

Note that the Commission is not proposing to change the objectives or detailed requirements of the EUDR, but simply to delay its application.

Timeline

The Commission's proposal will now be discussed and voted upon by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU (Member States). The proposal to delay will have to be adopted by both institutions before the end of 2024 in order for the proposed delay to take effect.

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