

BIC EUDR Practicalities Report 2

Project update: July 2025

Current project status: **5/7 weeks completed**

Summary of current position:

- The Task and Finishing Working Group (T&FWG), 34 people, has met six times so far. There have been discussions around people's understanding of EUDR regulation. The T&FWG now believes that organisations in the UK are going to have to create a Due Diligence Statement (DDS). This contra to the EU Commissions that says it is the EU customer/importer who will be creating the DDS. The T&FWGs research has shown that EU customers are going to want to see a DDS associated with a title before they will order it. Also, the amount of data that would be being passed down the supply chain would be considerable, although this still might be the case depending upon the supplier,
- There are two subgroups that meet weekly as well. The POD subgroup has 10 people in it, and the General Supply subgroup has 18 people in it,
- The POD subgroup has met four times to discuss the plan that had been put together post the April workshop. The T&FWG has created a data process flow map based on a period of production that would use one DDS for all the POD products manufactured in that time period. The map has undergone several refinements and should be signed off this week,
- The General Supply subgroup has met four times and started to review the maps created for the April workshop. The T&FWG have reduced the number of maps down to three:
 - a map that covers manufacturing in the UK using EU paper, with a detailed look at distributors, warehouses and shippers in the process, a map
 - a map that covers manufacturing in the Rest of the World with supply to the UK
 - a map that covers manufacturing in the Rest of the World with supply directly to a customer in the EU

Initial Deliverables Achieved to Date:

- The plan has been created for the flow of data for POD,
- A map has been created for the flow of data in the POD process
- Three maps have been created for the general supply of books
- Several documents are being created to help the reader navigate EUDR and form part of the deliverables

Next steps:

- Finalise all the maps
- Review and provide clear instructions on what happens with books in the transition period
- Collect all the deliverables for publication.

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