

BIC Green Supply Chain

Update: April 2026



Summary of current position:

- The BIC Green Supply Chain Work Plan tracker has been updated to show what was completed in April. The tracker has been submitted to the BIC Executive Director.
- The Designed for Recycling Project, Part 3 Manufactured Book to End-of-Life, Task and Finishing Working Group (T&FWG) did not meet in April. The project consultant is currently revising and clearing any outstanding permission and will then return the report to the BIC Executive Director for final review.
- The Sustainability and Environmental Data Reporting Project Part 2 T&FWG did not meet in April. The T&FWG are looking at how they can gather more data from publishers that they have direct contact with. The T&FWG have also noted that there have been several changes in how CO2e is measured and these might have an impact on the project. This is being investigated further. The permission has been given to use the publisher's data. The project consultant is now gathering all the data so the project team can review how it can be displayed.
- The EUDR Practicalities - A BIC Fast Track project has been set up with the kick-off meeting being held on the 29 May 2025. The project was run for seven weeks, and several updates have been provided during the project's duration. The documentation was reviewed and published on the 14 August 2025.
- The Task and Finishing Working Group (T&FWG) small review team met once during April to discuss the latest position on EUDR. The main points of discussion being
 - The BIC Environmental Consultant has revised the current guidance documentation, and this is currently with the project team for review,
 - A list of paper-based items that fall into Chapters 48 and 49 has been created for inclusion in the new guidance documentation,
 - The small review team commented on the changes to the report and further amendments are required,
 - One member of the team did create a map of how EUDR might look in the future
 - The small review team is waiting for the end of April to see what the EU Commissions report says. It is due to meet again in early May to discuss the report,
 - The full EUDR project team will then meet once the EU Commission's report has been reviewed.

Initial Deliverables Achieved to Date:

- The Designed for Recycling, Part 3 Manufactured Book to End of Life final report has been returned to the project consultant for revision and obtaining the final permissions,
- The EUDR Guidance documentation has been revised considering the changes to the regulation.

Next steps:



- Return the revised report to the BIC Executive Director for The Designed for Recycling Project, Part 3 Manufactured Book to End-of-Life for final approval,
- The Sustainability and Environmental Data Reporting Project Part 2 project in 2026 to continue looking at ways to present the data,
- Continue to work with the EUDR project team to provide information around EUDR for the book industry supply chain.

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