

EUDR Community of Practice

Ad Hoc Session – Service providers
16 June 2026



Ad Hoc Session with Service providers – Agenda

Tuesday, 16 June | 12:00 – 13:30 (CEST)

12:00	Welcome & Setting the Scene, Key Issues at a Glance
12:20	EUDR CoP Core Group Reflections
12:40	Lightning Perspectives: Insights from Service Providers
13:00	Open Exchange: Service Providers in Conversation with the Core Group
13:25	Key Takeaways & Next Steps, closing (13:30)

Anti-trust statement

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Welcome & Setting the Scene

EUDR Community of Practice

- A joint initiative of the EU Sustainable Supply Chains Coalition and the European Forest Institute
- Launched 11 March 2026
- Objective:

To promote **collaborative engagement** between **businesses**, EUDR **Competent Authorities** and the **European Commission**, focusing on the exchange of practical solutions and the identification and resolution of implementation challenges.

Wider Community

(Open Participation)

- Mailing list
- Surveys
- Broad updates
- Open feedback
- TEI HUB



Technical Core Group

(Focused Engagement)

- 25 members
- In-depth discussion
- Issue resolution
- Expert input

Housekeeping

- Introduction to Core Group members
- Chatham House Rule applies
- Session is recorded for internal use only
- Summary published (no attribution)
- No promotion of service/solution
- Priority to service providers in Q&A/discussion

Why this discussion?

1. Strong interest from service providers in the EUDR Community of Practice and its Core Group activities.
2. Service providers are playing an increasingly important role in helping operators, producer organizations, and governments prepare for EUDR.
3. This session provides an opportunity to exchange perspectives between the EUDR CoP Core Group and service providers on emerging challenges, lessons learned, and areas where further guidance or collaboration may be needed.
4. The objective - to foster dialogue and improve collective understanding of how support services can contribute to effective and inclusive EUDR implementation.

Key Issues at a Glance

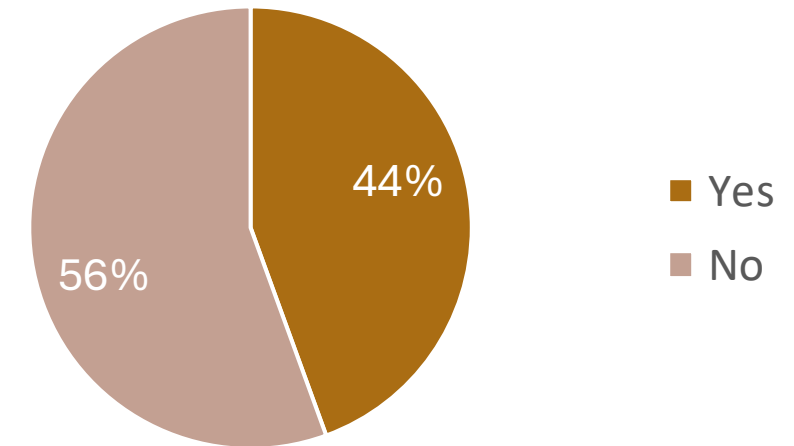
Key Issues

1. High reliance on external service providers for EUDR due diligence

Dry runs show that many operators seek external support in:

- Geolocation mapping
- Deforestation monitoring
- Traceability
- Risk assessment
- Legality Due diligence

Do you rely on an external service provider in relation to legality (n=140)?



Key Issues

2. Competent authorities expect operators to understand and justify risk assessments

However, transparency regarding methodologies remains uneven - Half of those who rely on service providers do not know which methodologies are used.

Key issues from beneficiaries of EUDR support services

1. Lack of data and methodology transparency
2. EUDR updates and guidance not reflected in tools
3. Risk-averse approaches excluding smallholders
4. Lack of alignment between service providers
5. Limited understanding of national / local contexts
6. Data ownership, confidentiality, and sharing concerns

Core Group reflections & questions for Service Providers

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What are you experiencing in interacting with service providers?

2

What problems may have you encountered?

3

What message would you like to convey to service providers?

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Lightning perspectives from Service Providers

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What is the biggest challenge your clients face?

2

What elements of the EUDR may remain unclear at the moment?

3

What is one lesson learned from EUDR implementation so far?

Open exchange: Service Providers in conversation with the Core Group

Key takeaways & next steps

1. Summary report will be published to the wider CoP
2. Report from ad hoc meeting with certification schemes (July)
3. Public event planned for September 2026: report back from core group sessions (concrete cases...)



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participation