



Dear Members of the European Parliament,

We are writing to you on behalf of the European Tyre and Rubber Manufacturers' Association (ETRMA) and the Global Platform for Sustainable Natural Rubber (GPSNR) to express the **urgent need for legal certainty regarding the implementation timeline of the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)**. We request that the **proposal from the European Commission be swiftly voted upon and not used to re-open the regulatory text**.

The Global Platform for Sustainable Natural Rubber (GPSNR) is a multistakeholder platform representing OEMs, manufacturers of rubber products, producers and traders of natural rubber, smallholder farmers, and civil society. ETRMA represents the European tyre and rubber industry. Together, these two organizations represent the majority of the natural rubber ecosystem concerned by the EUDR and have long been working to protect the environment, avoid rubber-related deforestation, uphold human rights, and ensure fair payment for smallholder farmers.

Producers, processors, traders, and the European industry have worked relentlessly to achieve a timely implementation of the Regulation, that our organisations have always supported. Unfortunately, despite our repeated calls for the publication of guidelines and FAQs and our proposals for pragmatic solutions to support the timely implementation of the EUDR, we can but acknowledge the proposal for a delay brought by the European Commission.

With this in mind, ETRMA and GPSNR **urge Members of the European Parliament to use this proposal solely to create certainty about the timeline and not to amend the substance of the Regulation**.

We also believe MEPs have a key role in **ensuring the European Commission uses the additional 12 months to resolve the remaining issues**, particularly the functioning of the information system and the necessary secondary legislation, including on the benchmarking system as well as completing the planned review of the relevant products in Annex I by June 2025¹.

Above all, producers, processors, traders, and manufacturers seek the stability, predictability, and clarity of a swift decision.

We remain available to support your efforts to ensure that this legislation is fully and fairly implemented and to answer any questions you might have.

Yours sincerely,

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Stefano Savi

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Adam McCarthy

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¹ [According to Article 34 paragraph 3 of the EU Deforestation Regulation](#)