

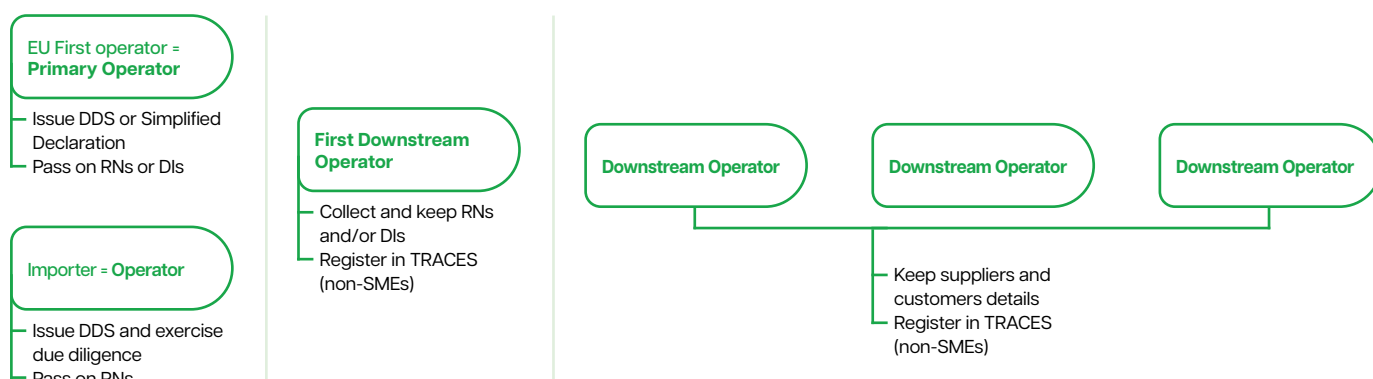
# Compliance Statement on

# Deforestation-Free Products (EUDR)

The European Commission, the European Parliament, and the European Council have jointly decided to postpone and simplify the EUDR. For us and for our customers, this again results in changes to the implementation of the EUDR within Printforce.

- Postponement of the EUDR** The EUDR is postponed by one year to 30 December 2026 (the EUTR is extended until 31 December 2029).
- Simplification of Due Diligence obligations** Due diligence obligations will be simplified. Responsibility for issuing a due diligence statement will rest with the first market operator placing the product on the EU market. Subsequent actors in the supply chain will therefore be relieved of this obligation. In addition, a one-time, simplified declaration will be introduced for small and micro-operators, significantly reducing administrative burdens.
- Exclusion of printed products** The European Parliament has proposed to exclude printed products, including books and newspapers, from the scope of the EUDR. This concerns the full or partial exclusion of products within the HS49 category.

### Supply Chain Responsibility of Printforce: 'Downstream Operator'



As a result of the proposed changes, Printforce Netherlands and the products we place on the market fall outside the scope of the EUDR obligations. The origin of our materials is Europe, which means that with regard to paper we act solely as a downstream operator. For our products (books), we therefore no longer fall under the EUDR obligations and will not be required (nor able) to register in the TRACES platform. Should it later become apparent, during the final determination of the simplifications and exclusions, that Printforce is nevertheless required to register in TRACES, we will of course ensure that this is done.

For our customers, this means that under the currently proposed changes, we do not need to provide a DDS, reference numbers, or other data, and that our customers play no role within the EUDR in the further distribution and sale of books.

