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## Imported deforestation - webinar

### Building a legislation that truly stops EU-driven ecosystem destruction

The rate of global deforestation remains alarmingly high, and the EU is partly responsible for that. The EU is the world's third largest importer of tropical deforestation and associated emissions, surpassed only by China and India. It must put in place robust regulations to eliminate its outsized deforestation footprint!

Following an initiative report of the European Parliament, the European Commission has proposed a new regulation to stop EU-driven deforestation. The draft regulation is currently under discussion in the European Parliament and in the Council.

Under the proposed rules, companies must follow a due diligence procedure to ensure that the commodities and products they sell in the EU, or export from the EU, are “deforestation-free”. During our webinar, we discussed what this procedure needs to look like so the final law is effective and not a paper tiger.

This event was co-hosted by **MEPs Delara BURKHARDT** (S&D) and **Marie TOUSSAINT** (Greens/EFA).

#### Speakers:

- **Michael Rice**, Client Earth
- **Traoré Bakary**, IDEF
- **Christian Lelong**, Kayrros
- **Andrea Carta**, Greenpeace
- **Bojan Grlas**, European Commission

#### Moderator:

- **Natasha Foote**, Euractiv

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