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The ProTerra Monitoring and Verification (MRV) Standard, Version 1.0, published in 2024, is a comprehensive framework designed to assess and verify organisations' due diligence practices in relation to deforestation, land use change, and human rights within their supply chains. This standard, developed by the ProTerra Foundation, aims to promote sustainable agricultural practices, biodiversity protection, and respect for workers and local communities. It requires economic operators to establish and maintain management systems that ensure compliance with sustainability requirements, including sourcing from deforestation-free supply chains, respecting workers' rights, and adhering to environmental laws and regulations.





Organisations seeking verification under the ProTerra MRV Standard must implement procedures to map their supply chains, assess risks of deforestation and human rights breaches, and establish risk management plans to mitigate negative impacts. The standard emphasises the importance of traceability, chain of custody systems, and maintaining records to demonstrate compliance. It also includes requirements for suppliers, ensuring they comply with national and international laws, respect indigenous rights, and have mechanisms in place to address grievances. The ProTerra MRV Standard serves as a tool for organisations committed to sustainable and socially responsible practices in the agricultural sector, fostering transparency, accountability, and environmental stewardship throughout the supply chain.



# Adhering to the MRV Standard involves committing to:

Promoting a raw material supply chain that is free from illegal and/ or legal deforestation, and land-use change or conversion.



Respecting the rights of workers, indigenous peoples, and local communities.



Ensuring that sourcing is fully compliant with national and local environmental laws and regulations, as well as applicable international laws.



Taking affirmative actions to mitigate identified potential risks associated with commodities and related products or demonstrate that the risk is negligible.

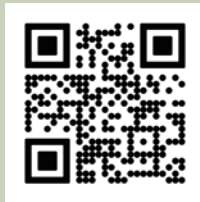
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