

The Cocoa Coalition welcomes the official publication of the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive

The Cocoa Coalition of companies and non-governmental and multi-stakeholder organisations welcomes the official publication of the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD). We believe that it represents an important step forward in driving the necessary transformation of the cocoa and chocolate sector, and in making due diligence the norm in global value chains. We look forward to its transposition into member state legislation without delay.

As this [Coalition has previously stated](#), it is crucial that the Directive is supported by guidance, including on what companies are accountable for, and accompanying measures, especially to support upstream economic actors and vulnerable stakeholders in global value chains. We call on the European Commission to start this work without further delay and engage with relevant stakeholders throughout the process.

[Note: the Cocoa Coalition comprises companies (Ferrero, The Hershey Company, Mars Wrigley, Mondelez International, Nestle, Tony's Chocolonely, Unilever), and non-governmental and multi-stakeholder organisations (Fairtrade International, Fair Trade Advocacy Office, IDH, International Cocoa Initiative, Rainforest Alliance, Solidaridad, VOICE Network). For more information, [see here](#).]