



# **29<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the “Multi-Stakeholder Platform on Protecting and Restoring the World’s Forests”**

Adapting certification  
practices to EUDR

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**RTRS delivers comprehensive, credible and riskless soy supply chains since 2011. On top of deforestation and legal compliance requisites → no conversion and good agricultural practices are all elements that are equally considered and covered.**

**7.5**

million tons  
of soybeans  
certified

**6.3 million tons in  
Brazil**

**400 thousand tons  
in Argentina**

**6**

**countries  
certified soybean  
production**

Argentina, Brazil,  
India, Paraguay,  
Uganda and  
Uruguay.

**4.4**

million tons  
of certified  
corn

in Brazil

**276 thousand tons  
in Argentina**

**6.6**

million  
adoption

**80,6% of Europe  
18,9% in Latam,  
and 0,5% ROW**

**30**

**countries  
demand /  
adoption of RTRS  
certified material**

**57% in Europe, 27%  
in LATAM, 16% ROW**

**16**

**Chain of  
Custody  
Certification**

**415 sites, 55  
ports, 54  
transshipments**

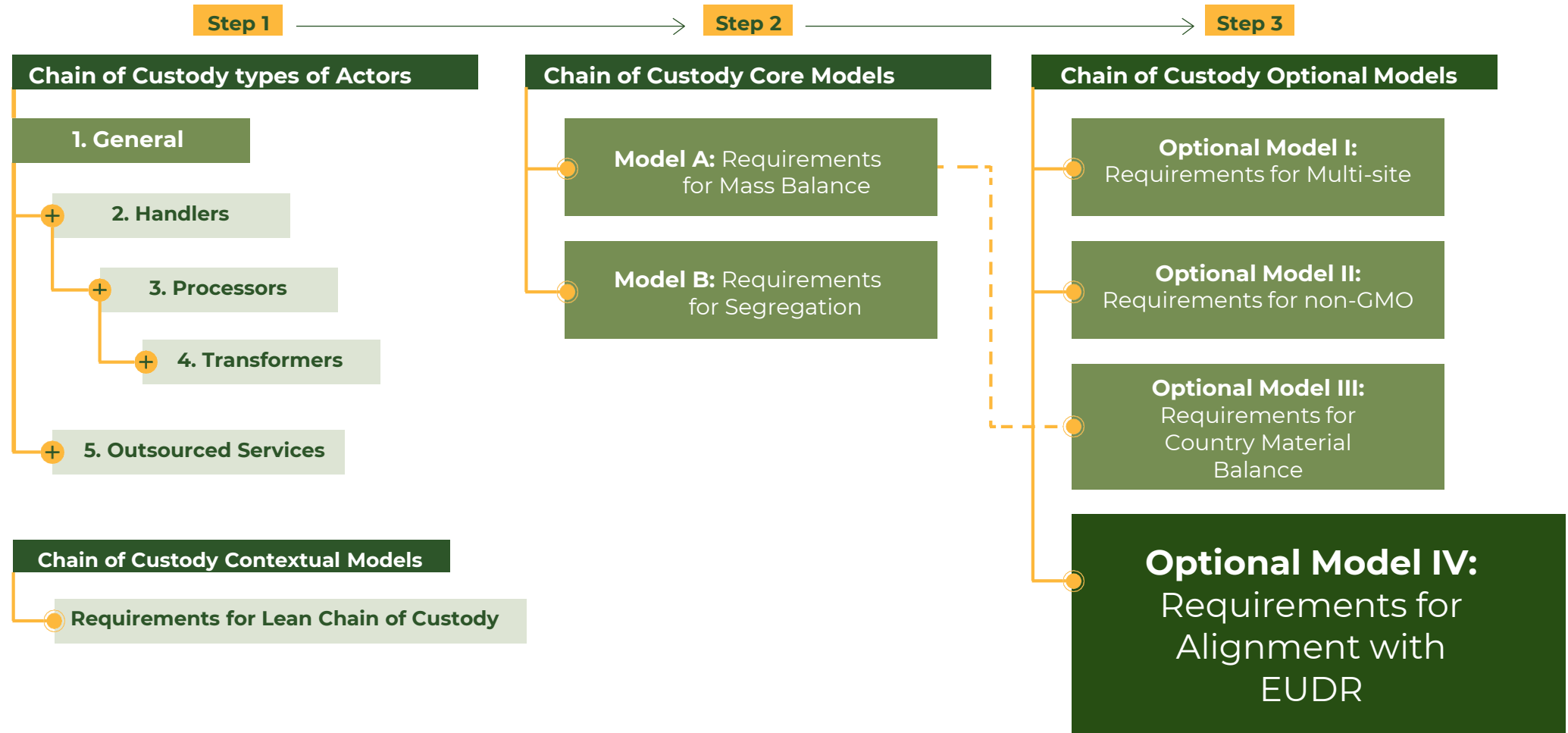
**32**

**countries  
membership**

**51% in Europe,  
29% LATAM, 20  
ROW**



# RTRS Chain of Custody Structure





# How does Optional Model IV: Requirements for Alignment with EUDR Chain of Custody work?

Is an optional model that shall be used on top of RTRS Chain of Custody Core Models Segregation or Mass Balance.

- **Segregation** → EUDR Due Diligence requirements need to be complied for the RTRS volumes.
- **Mass Balance** → EUDR Due Diligence requirements need to be complied for RTRS volumes & non RTRS volumes in a mix. For the non-RTRS volumes, operators shall show evidence of the system in place used to verify EUDR compliance. **This mix needs to be physically segregated from non-EUDR volumes.**

The EUDR Due Diligence requirements applies for any volume, RTRS certified or non-RTRS certified.





# Which are the RTRS EUDR Due Diligence requirements?

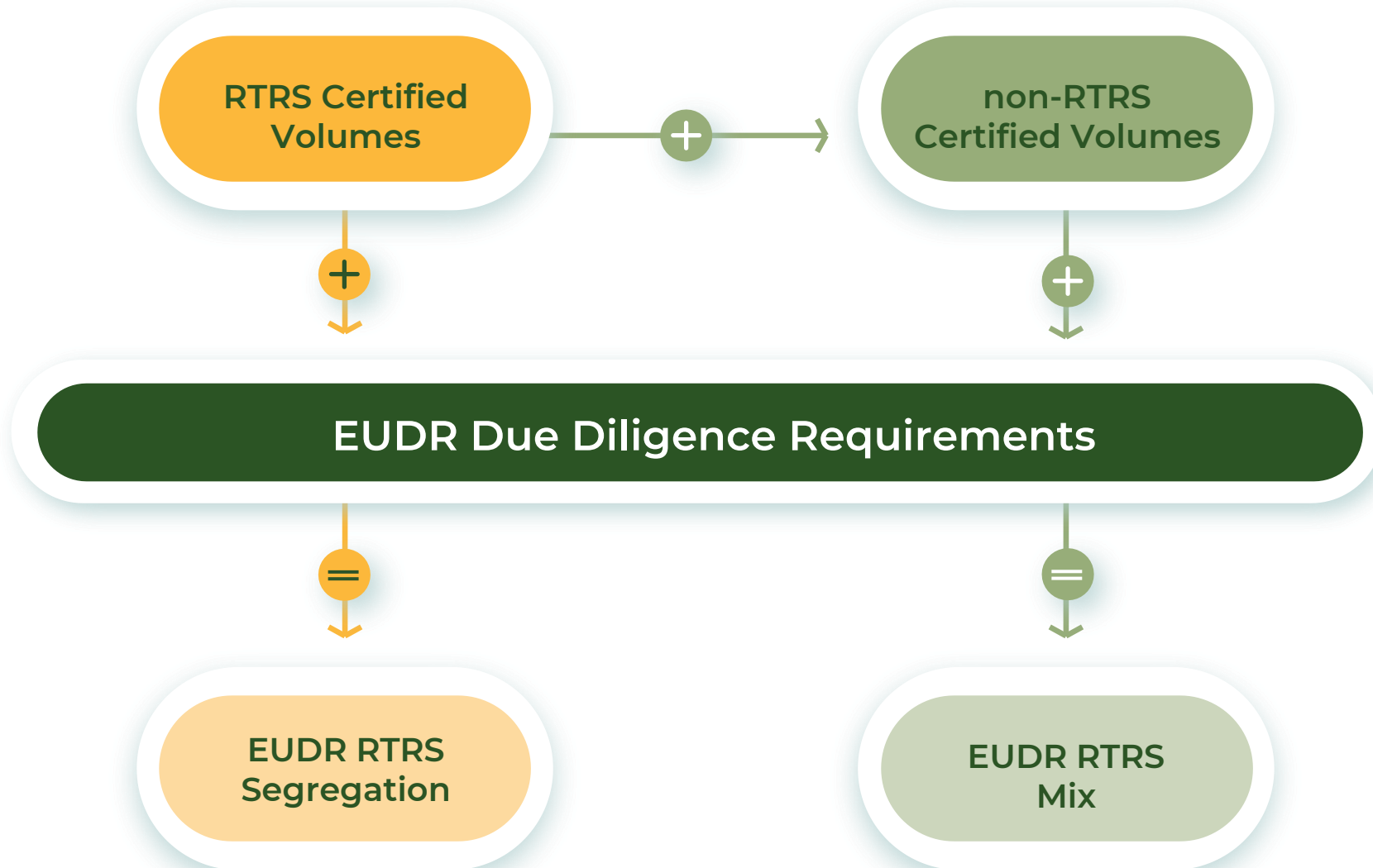
- 1) Information requirements  
Relevant National Legislation:
  - I. Land use rights
  - II. Environmental protection
  - III. Forest related rules
  - IV. Third-party rights
  - V. Human rights protected under international law
  - VI. Free Prior and Informed Consent
  - VII. Tax, anti-corruption, trade, and customs regulations
- 2) Risk assessment
- 3) Risk mitigation
- 4) Simplified Due Diligence
- 5) Records

*Articles: 4; 8; 9; 10; 11; 12; 13; of EUDR Regulation*

- For many of these topics, **RTRS Production & CoC Certification are tools producers & operators can use →**
  - Evidence collection and its evaluation is already part of the 3<sup>rd</sup> party audit process RTRS requests.
  - Nevertheless, information gathered during this process will not be provided by RTRS to the supply chain actors.
  - Evidence sharing is a responsibility of the supply chain actors.
- **Optional Model IV: Requirements for Alignment with EUDR** will indicate what is already covered with the Standards of Production or Chain of Custody, for guidance.

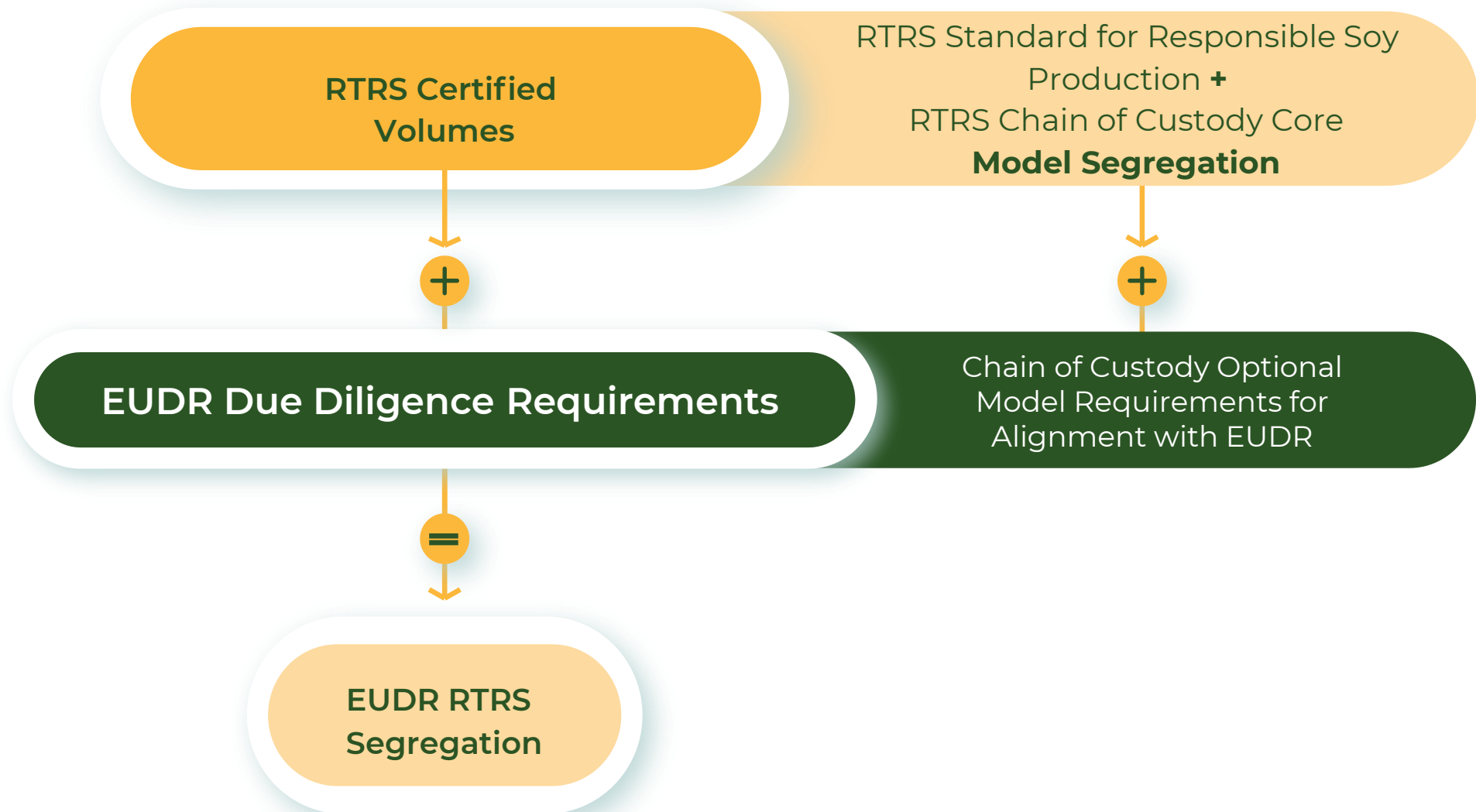


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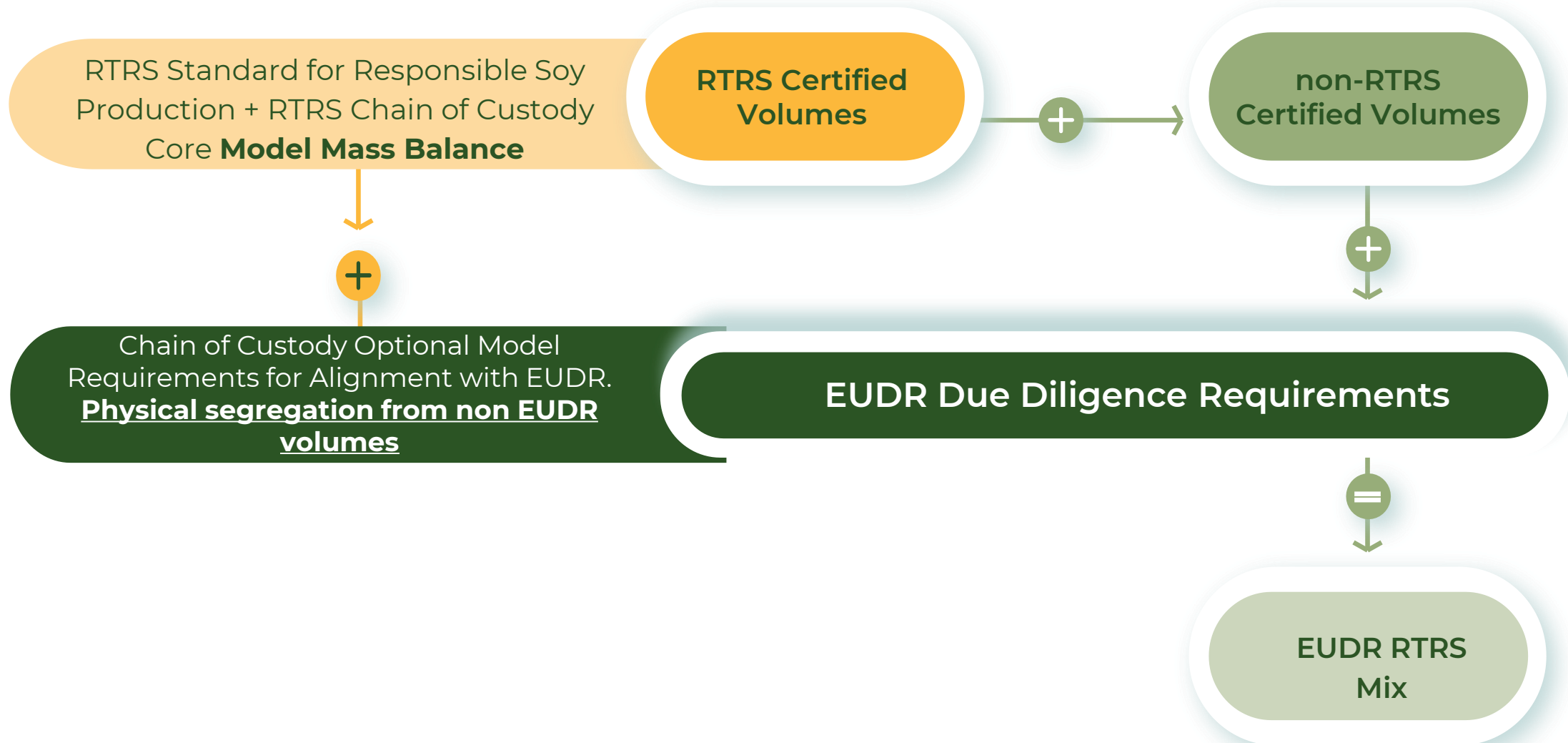
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# Important disclaimer

**RTRS is not EUDR equivalent.**

The aim of the RTRS is to align its requirements as much as possible with the EUDR requirements, to provide guidance and support to RTRS stakeholders with regards to the implementation of the EUDR regulation.

**Compliance with RTRS certification requirements does not guarantee compliance with the EUDR regulation.**

The competent authorities retain the final decisions on conformity with the EUDR requirements.





# The role of RTRS as a voluntary sustainability standard - VSS

## Sustainability & Certification

Provide holistic supply chain solutions as enablers of RTRS sustainable soy growth.

## Complementary Solution

VSS are credible tools to help companies address and comply with EUDR requirements.

## Dynamic & Versatile

VSS are open to evolve to complement demands of new regulations and directives.

*“Voluntary Sustainability Standards present synergies with the due diligence process and could be used as supporting tools for the implementation of due diligence requirements”, **VSS and sustainable development due diligence, UN Trade & Development***

# Get in touch

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Thanks!

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