



COLLABORATIVE SOY INITIATIVE

convened by RTRS

THE STEERING COMMITTEE (SC)

The Steering Committee participants will decide in consensus, or if no consensus can be found, in qualified majority, what actions should be taken and who is to do it. They have the following functions:

- Relate to the different soy initiatives and contribute to building a soy community, facilitating communication between engaged stakeholders.
- Execute the mission and decide over the overall strategy of the Collaborative Soy Initiative
- Vote over the Steering Committee composition based on the terms of reference. The first vote in the composition of the Steering Committee is planned in June 2020.
- Supervise and monitor all activities of the Collaborative Soy Initiative, including (1) all actions proposed for implementation by the working groups and (2) all communicational activities of the Collaborative Soy Initiative.

The Steering Committee observer(s) will have the same assignment and commitment as the Steering Committee participants. They will be invited for each SC meeting but will have no voting rights.

The initial Steering Committee, which consists of 14 participants with each one voting right (see table) will form the basis of the final Steering Committee, which will be set in place in June 2020. The SC composition will be reconfirmed every 2 years (June) or in case of changing circumstances.



Name	Organisation	Role	Voting right (14)
Lieven Callewaert	Alliance4Soy	Chair CSI	√
Ariane Louwaege	Consultant	Project manager CSI	
Marcelo Visconti	RTRS Executive Director	Observer on behalf of RTRS	
Laura Villegas	RTRS Secretariat	Executive support	
Soy standards			
Emese Brosz	ProTerra	representative	√
Susanne Fromwald	Donau Soja	representative	√
TBD (see below)	RTRS	representative	
<i>Companies</i>			
Jorn Schouten	ACT Commodities	Representative RTRS to be decided by RTRS Board	√
Luiz Laquinta	Brookfield		√
Juliana Lopes	Amaggi		√
Stefan Heinke	Bayer	Representative	√
Eddy Esselink	MVO Oils & Fats	Representative	√
Jose Villalon	Nutreco	Representative	√
Olaf Brugman	Sicredi	Representative	√
<i>Civil Society Organisations</i>			
Heleen vd Hombergh	IUCN Netherlands	Representative	√
Jean-Francois Timmers	WWF Brazil	Representative	√
<i>Other</i>			
Nienke Stuurink	IDH	Representative	√
Peter de Koning	Mekon Ecology	ADP Secretariat	√
Constantin Malik	Malik Management Institute	Observer	

THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

The initiative will be guided by an independent project manager and receive administrative and organisational support from the RTRS Secretariat.

Key functions for the independent project manager are:

- Provide a neutral contact point to convene stakeholders and build a soy community, facilitating communication between engaged stakeholders.
- Take up the daily secretariat of the Steering Committee meetings in close collaboration with the Steering Committee chair: prepare agenda and pre-reads, convene the meetings, draft the minutes and manage or lead the follow-up actions.
- Manage the operational functioning of the 4 Working Groups in close collaboration with the respective working group chairs: set up of the working groups; management of the working group meetings, preparation of the webinars, organize feedback loops to the Steering Committee.
- Lead the internal CSI communication working group: development of the communication tools.
- Prepare background documentation and support materials when necessary.

THE WORKING GROUPS

The brainstorm sessions in 2016 and 2019 led to a prioritization of challenges & actions, which were bundled into **4 action clusters**. These action clusters were defined as having the biggest impact on the vision of 100 % deforestation and conversion-free, sustainable soy and they meet the mission of the Initiative. The further implementation of these 4 action clusters will be executed **by separate Working Groups, with feedback loops to the multi-stakeholder Steering Committee**, who will take the final decisions on strategy, actions and alignment with other initiatives.

On 11 June 2019 the Collaborative Soy Initiative was presented at 50 experts of the soy sector, with representation of NGO, Industry, Trade and Finance and Producers. **35 representatives, ranging from civil society, NGO, producers, roundtables & standards, private companies and sector federations, will participate actively in one or more of the working groups.**