



ERS – Ecosystem Restoration Standard



Agenda

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Introductions



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CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER



Corentin Jeanrot

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Anna MacDonald

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Q1 & Q2 2025 *Milestones*



Expanded the ERS & Secretariat teams



We observed the first validation & verification
audit on-site



We secured ICVCM approval of the
ERS Programme



We registered our first project and issued the
first VRUs under v1.1 of the Programme

Secretariat *Updates*

01

Accreditations

- ICVCM: approved CCP –eligible programme
- ICROA: under review
- CORSIA: ERS will re-apply in 2026

02

v1.2

- RP004 & RP005 approved by the TAB in Q2-2025
- Held public consultations on secondary forest growth & PRUs
- v1.2 is expected to be released by the end of July 2025

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Upcoming Methodologies

- M002 – Conservation & REDD+
- M00? – Mangrove Restoration
- M00? – Agroforestry
- M00? – Landscape-scale Restoration & Conservation

Secretariat *Updates*

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Certification

- First project registered and VRUs issued in June
- Three projects starting validation and verification in June
- Five projects expected to register by the end of 2025

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VVBs

- First validation & verification completed in May
- 4 VVBs active and listed on the website
- Several VVBs trained and in contracting
- Expanding VVB capacity in preparation for conservation & REDD+

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Secretariat Team

- Corentin Jeanrot & Anna MacDonald joined the team
- Methodology Lead starting in July
- Judith Simon joined ERS as COO, and will oversee all ERS operations

Project *Pipeline*



Feasibility

19 projects
+980k ha



Project Design

9 projects
≈17k ha



**Validation &
Verification**

3 projects
1311 ha



**Registered & Issued
VRUs**

1 project
42 ha

ERS expects 5 projects to complete the certification process by the end of Q4-2025.
Our pipeline is now available on our website at <https://www.ers.org/projects-pipe>.



What's next for *ERS*?

Moving into **conservation**.

We'll continue our work on **restoring ecosystems**, but we'll expand our scope to **protect existing forests**.

We've **acquired an existing methodology** that will serve as a foundation.





What does this mean for the *TAB*?

- Building new working groups with TAB member representatives
- More frequent, ad-hoc engagement
 - Technical meetings to gather input on core topics

Next *Steps*

Conservation methodology development
TAB & expert engagement
Public consultation

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Q2-2025

M001 v1.2 release
Equitable Earth

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Q3-2025

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Q4-2025

Release updated Standard & conservation
methodology v1.0



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