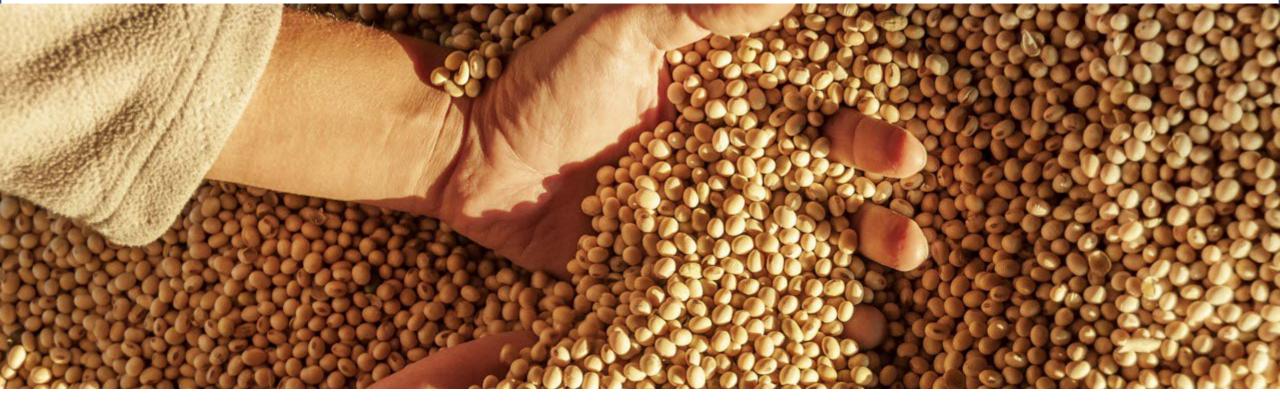


Supporting the production of deforestation and conversion-free soy in the Cerrado



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# Soy expansion is resulting in deforestation of Cerrado...

5 million ha needed until 2027

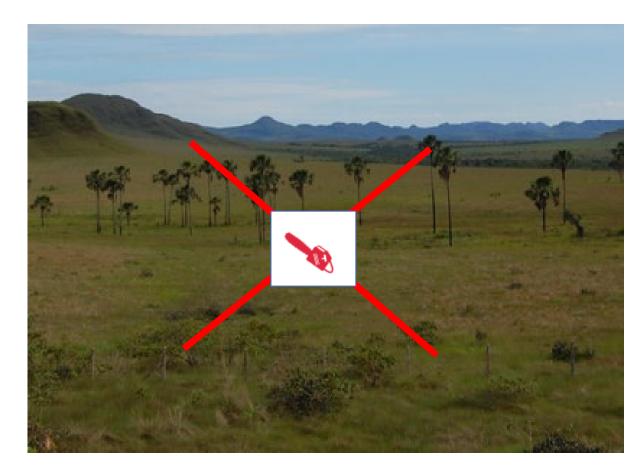
However, 3 times more land already cleared, suitable and available for soy cultivation

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## **2017 – Cerrado Manifesto**

A plea to halt expansion of soy into native Cerrado vegetation



#### Signed by more than 200 corporations and NGOs, including:

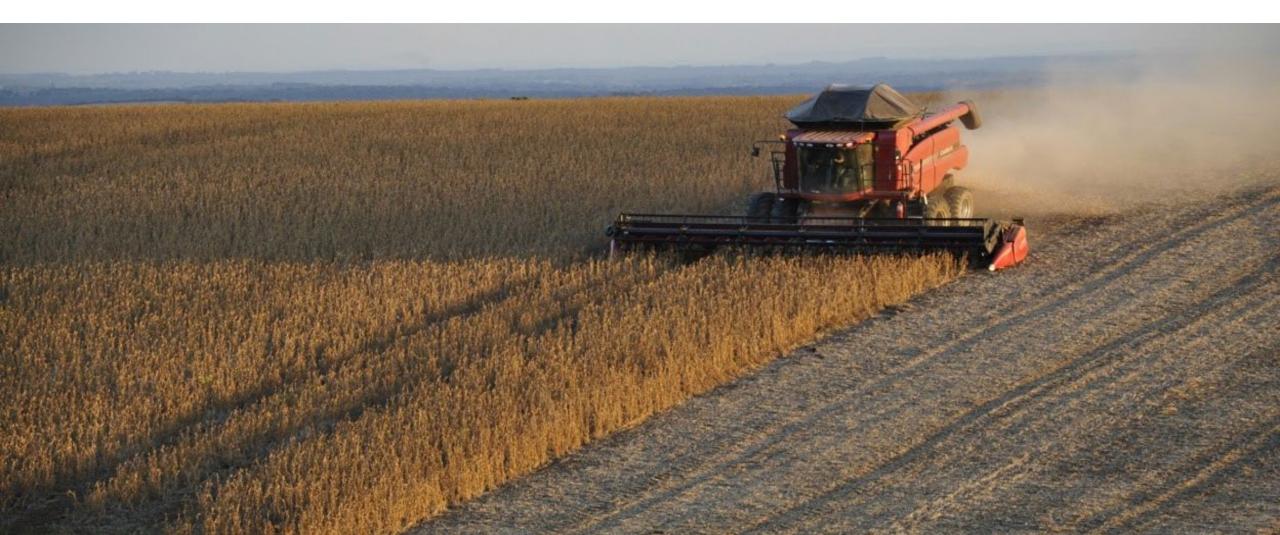




#### **Responsible Commodities Facility**

Delivery mechanism to the Cerrado Manifesto, providing financial incentives for farmers

Low interest credit lines for crop finance to farmers that meet RCF's Eligibility Criteria





- 1. No Deforestation (legal and illegal)
- 2. Conservation of Excess Native Vegetation (>5%)
- **3. Compliance with objectives of Forest Code**
- 4. E&S framework developed with UN Environment





An **environmental committee** was involved in the design and initial reviewing of the operations of RCF. Moving forward, the activities of RCF will be independently verified.

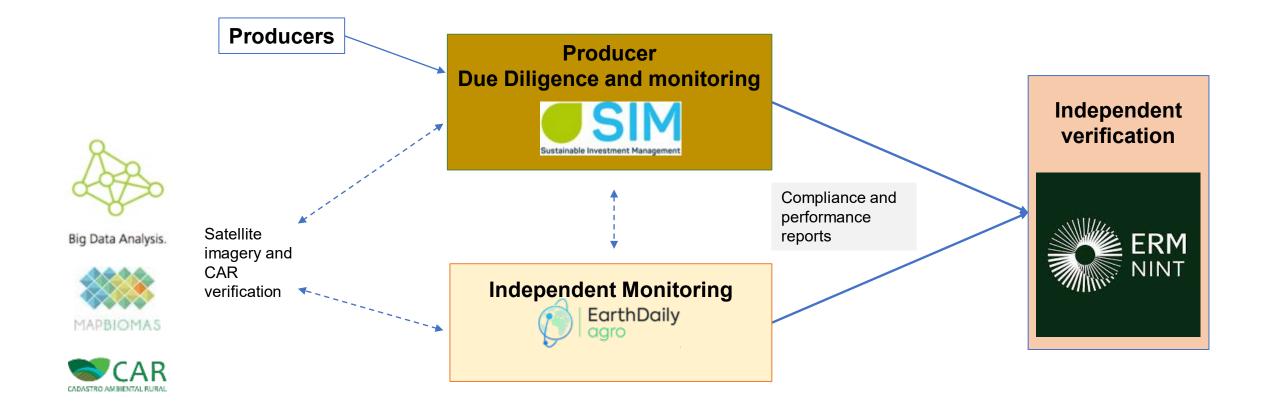


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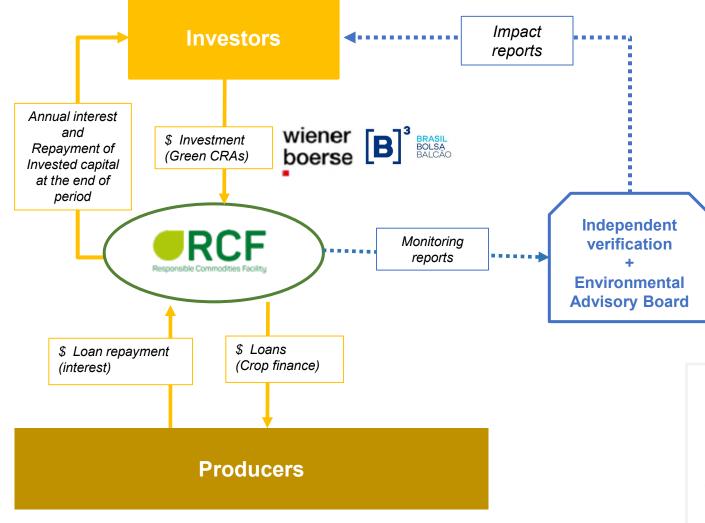


# RCF's platforms, technology and MRV routine





### Funding of RCF: USD-denominated Green Bonds (CRAs Verdes)



Each loan collateralised by CPRs – guarantees that provide a lien of future crop production

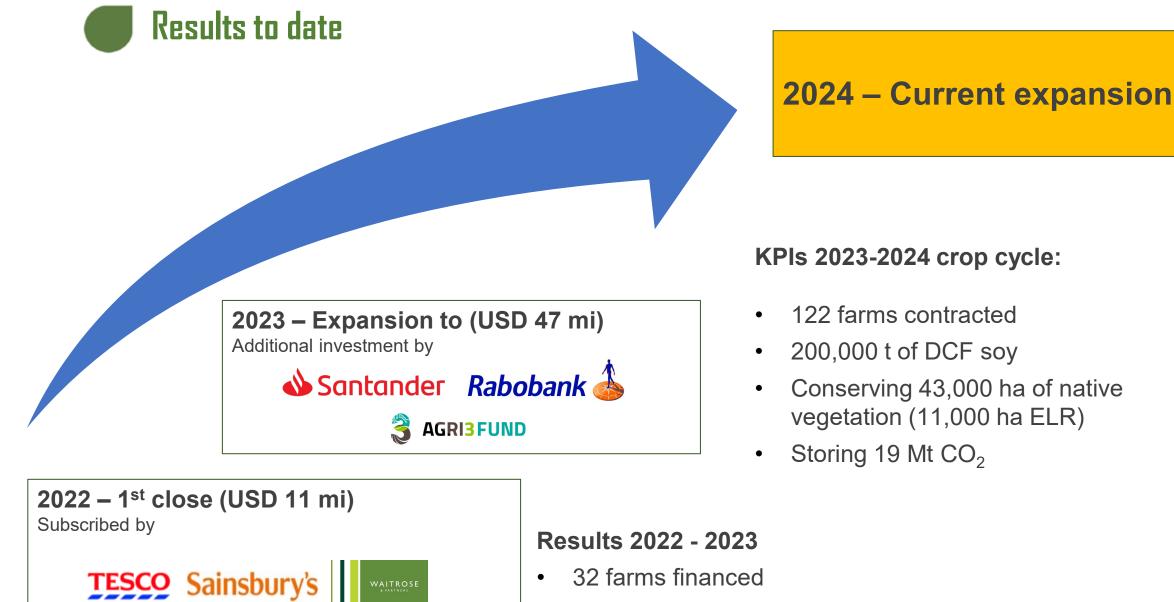
CPRs for 110% of loan value

Offtake agreements assigned to RCF

Diversification – maximum loan concentration of 5%







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KPIs 2023-2024 crop cycle:

- 122 farms contracted
- 200,000 t of DCF soy
- Conserving 43,000 ha of native vegetation (11,000 ha ELR)
- Storing 19 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>

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#### 2024-2025 crop cycle – expansion to [US\$ 90 mi AUM]



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#### RCF 2024–2025 expected impacts – USD 90m

~ 200 farms receiving crop financing



~ **300,000 t** of zero deforestation soy produced per year, plus an equivalent amount of maize (winter crop)



~ 80,000 ha Native Vegetation conservation (of which at least ca. 22,000 ha of Excess Native Vegetation)



> 30 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>e stocks conserved in programme farms



#### Fund management and service providers

Programme Coordinator:

Securitization company:

Credit and risk Managers:

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Distribution in Brazil:

Legal Counsel:

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#### Loan disbursement windows for 2024 issuance:

At scale, RCF helps to solve soy sustainability challenges for farmers, traders, manufacturers, retailers and Governments

But to reach the scale required we need more investment from all of the above

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