



Program Statement

“The NICFI Satellite Data Program has provided the world with high-resolution satellite imagery of all tropical forests free of charge since 2020. The program has been a very successful pilot, showcasing the huge importance of free access to high resolution satellite imagery to combat tropical deforestation. This perspective seems to be shared by many actors, including those with major and long-term responsibilities for earth observations and development of satellite imagery.

The current program runs out in September 2024, leading to a possible gap between the NICFI Satellite Data Program ending in 2024 and when Copernicus’ high-resolution satellites are planned to be in operation in 2032. There are other data available to the public, but not with the same quality and frequency.

Norway’s International Climate and Forest Initiative (NICFI) cannot alone continue to provide this data to the world at the current cost but is seeking a strategic partnership with other funder/s to provide a continuation of the program from September 2024.”

June 2023 statement from Norway’s International Climate and Forest Initiative (NICFI) regarding the NICFI Satellite Data Program and the contract end in 2024.

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