

Particulars

About Your Organisation

Organisation Name

Forest Peoples Programme

Corporate Website Address

www.forestpeoples.org

Primary Activity or Product

- Social NGO
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Related Company(ies)

No

Membership

Membership Number	Membership Category	Membership Sector
7-0017-13-000-00	Ordinary	Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

Social and Developmental NGOs**Operational Profile****1.1 What are the main activities of your organization?**

Supporting the rights of forest peoples

1.2 Does your organization use and/or sell any palm oil?

No

1.3 Activities undertaken to promote sustainable palm oil, the RSPO and/or members in the reporting period

We develop standards, help develop guides on implementation, advise on participation, sponsor community involvement in RTs, monitor company compliance and seek to get companies in non-compliance sanctioned to incentivise reforms. We also work to reform laws and policies to make it easier for companies to comply with RSPO P&C

1.4 Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working groups/taskforces in the reporting period?

Yes

Please explain how

We are involved in the Advisory Group of the Dispute Settlement Facility, the Human Rights Working Group and the Biodiversity and HCV Working Group and its associated Compensation Task Force. We also commented on the emerging standards on smallholders, the jurisdictional approach, RSPO Next and the revised New Plantings Procedure.

1.5 Do you have any collaborations with the industry players/private sector to support them in the market transformation towards CSPO?

Yes

Please explain how

Through POIG and HCVRN

1.6 What percentage of your organizations overall activities focus on palm oil?

0-10%

1.7 How is your work on palm oil funded?

Donations and grants. We do not accept private sector monies.

Time-Bound Plan**2.1 Date started or expect to start participating in RSPO working groups/taskforces**

2005

2.2 Date expected to undertake and publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification and/or good standing RSPO members

2007

Comment:

Since 2007

2.3 What are your interim milestones towards achieving your commitments to promote sustainable palm oil (the production /uptake of CSPO)?

We have been urging palm oil companies to respect human rights since 2004

2.4 Which countries that your institution operates in do the above commitments cover?

- Cambodia
- Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Colombia
- Congo
- Congo, the Democratic Republic of the
- Costa Rica
- Cote d'Ivoire
- Ecuador
- Guyana
- India
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Panama
- Papua New Guinea
- Peru
- Philippines
- Suriname
- Thailand
- United Kingdom
- Venezuela
- Vietnam

Actions for Next Reporting Period

3.1 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil along the supply chain

We are seeking to develop the social components of HCS, ensure these become part of HCV system and eventually part of RSPO P&C. We are keen to help the RSPO IMO Outreach programme and see the FPIC Guide implemented. We are engaging with companies against which the Complaints Panel has upheld complaints to revise their operations and relations with communities and smallholders to bring themselves into compliance.

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

4.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why

Other: NA

GHG Emissions

5.1 Are you currently assessing the GHG emissions from your operations?

No

Please explain why

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5.2 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations?

No

Please explain why

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5.2 Please upload related document

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5.2 Add link to a website

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Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

6.1 Do you have organizational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C, such as:

- Water, land, energy and carbon footprints
- Land Use Rights
- Ethical Conduct
- Labour rights
- Stakeholder engagement

- If none of the above, please specify if/when you intend to develop one

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6.2 If no to any of the above, what steps will your organization take to realize ethical conduct in business-applicable regulations and industry practices?

We welcome companies with BP into POIG and seek to expose the compliance failures of companies that abuse human rights and fail to comply with RSPO P&C

6.3 What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided to facilitate production and consumption of sustainable palm oil? What languages are these guidelines available in?

Unfortunately we have found that major RSPO companies including those represented on the Board violate FPIC and are involved in land grabs. We have raised this matter at the last 2 General Assemblies and are still awaiting a meaningful response from the RSPO CEO and BoG. We are working to improve the INA NI.

6.4 Has your company supported any community programmes, related to palm oil, on its own or through partnerships? How do you benchmark the impacts of these programmes?

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6.5 Has your organization partnered with any RSPO members in the implementation of or benchmarking against the Principles and Criteria?

Yes

Detail

Yes we support many communities being impacted by the palm oil sector, including some seeking to develop palm on their lands. We benchmark against international human rights norms and RSPO and POIG standards.

Website link

www.forestpeoples.org

Concession Map

7.1 This questions only applies for companies who would like to declare concession boundaries owned. (both RSPO Certified and uncertified)

Do you agree to share your concession maps with the RSPO?

No

Please explain why

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Challenges

1 What significant economic, social or environmental obstacles have you encountered in the production, procurement, use and/or promotion of CSPO and what efforts did you make to mitigate or resolve them?

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2 How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?

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Cost Effective:

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Robust:

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Simpler to Comply to:

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3 How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)

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4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

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