

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

SIPEF-CI

1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?

- Oil Palm Growers
 - Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders
 - Consumer Goods Manufacturers
 - Retailers
 - Banks and Investors
 - Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
 - Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
 - Affiliate Members
 - Supply Chain Associate
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1.3 Membership number

1-0178-15-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Ordinary

1.5 Membership sector

Oil Palm Growers

Oil Palm Growers**Operational Profile****1.1 Please state your main activities as a palm oil grower**

- Oil palm grower, miller and kernel crusher operator

Operations and Certification Progress**2.1.1 Please state your number of estates/management units**

2.00

2.1.2 Total land controlled/managed* for oil palm cultivation, planted (already planted areas and areas used for roads, mills, housing and other associated infrastructure)

14,730.00

2.1.3 Total area unplanted (land area controlled/managed that is designated for future planting of oil palm)

1,600.00

2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas

22.19

2.1.5 Other conservation areas set aside excluding HCV areas reported in 2.1.4

0.00

2.1.6 Total land under scheme/plasma smallholders certified

35,000.00

2.1.6.1 Land still uncertified under scheme/plasma smallholders

35,000.00

2.1.7 Total land area controlled/managed for oil palm cultivation (This is an auto sum of 2.1.2 - 2.1.6.1)

86,352.19

2.2 Certification progress**2.2.1 Number of estates/Management Units certified**

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2.2.2 Total certified area*

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2.3 In which countries are your estates?**2.3.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)**

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2.3.2 Malaysia - please indicate which state(s)

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2.3.3 Other - please indicate which country(ies)

- Cote d'Ivoire

2.4 New plantings and developments (Exclude replanting):

2.4.1 New area planted in this reporting period
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2.4.2 Have New Planting Procedures notifications been submitted to the RSPO for plantings this year?
No

2.5 Supply of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)

2.5.1 Please choose from the list below if you have smallholders and/or outgrowers as part of your supply base?
no

2.6 FFB processing operations

2.6.1 Number of Palm Oil Mills operated
2

2.6.2 Number of Palm Oil Mills certified
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2.6.3 Number of Palm Kernel crushers and/or Palm Kernel mills operated
2

2.6.4 Number of Palm Kernel crushers and/or Palm Kernel mills certified
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Supply Chain Used

3.1 Which supply chain options do you sell RSPO-certified palm oil products through?

Time-Bound Plan

4.1 Year of first RSPO estate certification (planned or achieved)

2017

Comment:

An Initial certification audit has been planned for May 2017 covering our entire supply base.

4.2 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of estates

2017

4.3 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of associated smallholders and outgrowers

2017

4.4 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of scheme and associated smallholders and outgrowers

2017

Concession Map

5.1 With regards to RSPO General Assembly resolution 6g that calls for members to submit maps of their concessions by ACOP 2014 deadline, please upload your estate location concession map(s) in KML or SHP format here:

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5.2 Map data declaration

GHG Emissions

6.1 Are you currently assessing your operational GHG emissions?

No

Please explain why: We have recently adopted a syste

Actions for Next Reporting Period**7.1 Outline actions that you will take in the coming year to advance your plans for certification**

Get P & C certification for all our estates; Carry out internal audits to strengthen our internal control mechanisms; Develop actions plans, implement and monitor for continuous improvement in all our operations.

7.2 Outline actions that you will take to promote CSPO along the supply chain

Instigate certification of our partners involved in the transformation of CPO like Adam Afrique SARL.

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information**8.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information, please indicate the reasons why**

Unknown

Support Smallholders**9.1 Are you currently supporting any independent smallholder groups?**

Yes

9.2 How are you supporting them?

We have put in place in partnership with farmers' cooperatives a team of trained agents who carryout monitoring and evaluation of activities on smallholder plantations. These agents also carryout demonstration of agricultural best practices in smallholder plantations. We also nurse palm seedlings and provide to smallholders at subsidized prices. Other agricultural input like fertilizers and equipement are also provided in our company sites at subsidized prices.

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?

SIPEF-CI is not yet certified but with our certification pending, we have also encountered some obstacles, especially social and environmental. Being the first company that is seeking certification in our region it was very difficult to get local communities and other stakeholders to adhere to the program, but we intensified sensitisation and meeting to get the message across and change this situation. We also encountered problems concerning the interpretation of 'child labour' because of the system of transfer of knowledge in the local culture, this was however resolved after a series of consultations and work on our P & C Local interpretation. Environmentally most smallholders had practices that were contrary to sound environmental practices like responsible use of pesticides and the use of fire for land preparation. The HCV notion was also very new to these smallholder and a lot of sensitisation work and demonstrations had to be done to overcome these obstacles. Today we can say that the level of comprehension of the importance of all these aspects is very positive.

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

We are not yet certified but our involvement in the RSPO and our decision to seek certification since 2015 has pushed other operators to be interested in the RSPO. SIPEF-CI is the second major oil palm producer in Ivory Coast and is working with authorities of the sector to adopt a P & C national interpretation for Ivory Coast. SIPEF-CI already has a local interpretation and other operators are encouraged by SIPEF-CI progress and interest in the RSPO is increasing.

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

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