

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

Braden Group, S.A.

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

2-0809-17-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Ordinary

1.5 Membership sector

Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

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
- Smallholder Group Manager *

Operations and Certification Progress

2.1.1 Please state your number of estates/management units

1

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)

7,160.83 ha

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

454.25 ha

2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas

0.00 ha

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

1,277.54 ha

2.1.6 Total land under scheme/plasma smallholders certified

0.00 ha

2.1.6.1 Total land under scheme/plasma smallholders uncertified

4,660.30 ha

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)

13,552.92 ha

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)

- Guatemala

2.4 New plantings and developments (Exclude replanting):

2.4.1 New area planted in this reporting period
336.62 ha

2.4.2 Have New Planting Procedures notifications been submitted to the RSPO for plantings this year?
Yes

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?
yes

2.5.2 Please select:

- Scheme/plasma smallholders
- Outgrowers

2.5.3 "Scheme/plasma" smallholder operations that supply your organization:

2.5.3.1 Total FFB volume that is supplied
40,015.88 Tonnes

2.5.3.2 FFB volume supplied that is certified
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2.5.6 "Outgrower" operations that supply your organization:

2.5.6.1 Total FFB volume that is supplied
67,436.81 Tonnes

2.5.6.2 FFB volume supplied that is certified
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2.6 Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) processing operations

2.6.1 Number of Palm Oil Mills operated
1

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
1

2.6.4 Number of Palm Kernel crushers and/or Palm Kernel mills certified
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2.7 Total Fresh Fruit Bunches processing production capacity

2.7.1 Total hourly FFB processing capacity (ton FFB/hr)
60.00 Tonnes

2.7.2 Total hourly kernel processing capacity (ton PK/hr)
2.60 Tonnes

Volume of RSPO-Certified oil palm products

3.1 Sold as RSPO Certified for CSPO & CSPK

3.1.1 Book and Claim
0.00 Tonnes

3.1.2 Mass Balance
0.00 Tonnes

3.1.3 Segregated
0.00 Tonnes

3.1.4 Identity Preserved
0.00 Tonnes

3.2 Sold under other schemes for CSPO & CSPK
0.00 Tonnes

3.4 Sold as conventional for CSPO & CSPK
0.00 Tonnes

3.4 Total Volume (Auto sum for 3.1 - 3.3)
0.00 Tonnes

Time-Bound Plan

4.1 Year of first RSPO P&C certification (planned or achieved)

2018

Comment:

We had in our plans to be certify by 2017 but the approval of the LUC study, and the conceptual note of the remediation and compensation plan has taken too long with the RSPO.

4.2 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of estates

2021

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

2021

If target has not been met, please explain why:

We have in our plans to be 100% certify including smallholders, 3 years after the company is certify.

4.4 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of independently sourced FFB

Concession Map

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

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5.2 Map data declaration

Please state if any concession sites have been recently acquired or if any concession sites have changed ownership since the previous ACOP submission

no

GHG Footprint

6.1 Are you currently assessing your operational GHG footprints using other tools/ methodology(s) than RSPO PalmGHG Calculator?

Yes

Uploaded file: [opg-ghg-footprint.pdf](#)

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

-In 2018 we have pending RSPO to resolve the conceptual note and the remediation and compensation plan. -We will work with the smallholders and outgrowers directly associated with principles and criteria. -We continue working with daily monitoring topics, such as formats, SSO, training, -monitoring, environmental issues. We have always worked on the best practices in the industry and agriculture and we continue to implement them with continuous improvement.

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

Our product is only crude CPO and crude CPKO and palm kernel expeller, so our supply chain is inside the company, will have training with all the positions involved to maintain the supply chain. We already had several controls installed to maintain the supply chain, we just had to make some changes to specify that it is CSPO.

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

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

Yes

9.2 How are you supporting them?

We have always given them technical assistance and at the end of 2017 we hired a technician to implement the principles and criteria with the smallholders and outgrowers. He makes visits to the plantations, training, and coordinates the studies that have to be done with them.

Palm Oil Processors and Traders

Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your main activity(ies) within the supply chain

- Refiner of CPO and CPKO
- Post-refinery processor
- Trader with physical possession
- Trader without physical possession
- Kernel Crusher
- Food and non-food ingredients producer
- Power, energy and bio-fuel
- Animal feed producer
- Producer of oleochemicals
- Distributor and wholesaler
- Other:
Holding

Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Use

2.1 Please include details of all operations using palm oil majority owned and/or managed by the member and/or related entities

2.1.1 In which markets do you sell goods containing palm oil and oil palm products?

- Netherlands

2.2 Volumes of palm oil and oil palm products

2.2.1 Total volume of crude and refined Palm Oil handled/traded/processed in the year
59,834.21 Tonnes

2.2.2 Total volume of crude and refined palm kernel oil handled/traded/processed in the year
3,816.04 Tonnes

2.2.3 Total volume of Palm Kernel Expeller handled/traded/processed in the year
6,873.61 Tonnes

2.2.4 Total volume of other palm-based derivatives and fractions handled/traded/processed in the year
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2.2.5 Total volume of all palm oil and oil palm products handled/traded/processed in the year
70,523.86 Tonnes

2.3 Volumes of palm oil and oil palm products certified

2.3.1 Volume handled/traded/processed in the year that is RSPO-certified (Tonnes):

Description	Refined/CPO	PKO	PKE	Palm-based derivatives and fractions
2.3.1.1 Book and Claim from Mill / Crusher				
2.3.1.2 Book and Claim from Independent Smallholder				
2.3.1.3 Mass Balance				
2.3.1.4 Segregated				
2.3.1.5 Identity Preserved				
2.3.1.6 Total volume	-	-	-	-

2.3.2 How much RSPO certified products have you sold as certified (tonnes)

Description	Refined/CPO	PKO	PKE	All other palm-based derivatives and fractions
2.3.2.1 Book and Claim	-	-	-	-
2.3.2.2 Mass Balance	-	-	-	-
2.3.2.3 Segregated	-	-	-	-
2.3.2.4 Identity Preserved	-	-	-	-
2.3.2.5 Total volume	-	-	-	-

2.3.3 How much RSPO certified products have you sold under other schemes (tonnes)

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2.3.4 How much RSPO certified products have you sold as conventional (tonnes)

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2.4 Total annual crude, refined palm kernel oil and derivatives production (only if applicable)

3,816 Tonnes

2.5 What is the percentage of Certified Sustainable Palm Oil in the total palm oil sold by your company in the following regions:

2.5.1 Africa

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2.5.2 Australasia

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2.5.3 Europe (incl.Russia)

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2.5.4 North America

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2.5.5 South America

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2.5.6 Middle East

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2.5.7 China

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2.5.8 India

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2.5.9 Indonesia

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2.5.10 Malaysia

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2.5.11 Asia

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Time-Bound Plan

3.1 Year of first supply chain certification (planned or achieved)

2018

Comment:

It is in our planes to have the certification audit in 2018, we depend on RSPO to approve the conceptual note of the remediation plan.

3.2 Year expected to/or started to handle/trade/process any RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products

2018

3.3 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of all palm product processing facilities*

2021

3.4 Year expected to only handle/trade/process 100% RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products

2021

3.5 Which countries that your organization operates in do the above own-brand commitments cover?

Netherlands

3.6 How do you proactively promote RSPO and RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products to your customers?

Our products are only crude CPO and crude CPKO, and we have indicated to our clients that we are working to get RSPO certify. And we have other clients who have asked us to be certified.

Trademark Use

4.1 Do you use or plan to use the RSPO trademark on your own brand products?

No

If target has not been met, please explain why:

Our products are only crude CPO and crude CPKO, we don't have a brand product.

Actions for Next Reporting Period

5.1 Outline actions that you will take in the coming year to promote the use of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products along the supply chain

Our product is only crude CPO and crude CPKO and palm kernel expeller, so our supply chain is inside the company, we are already training all the people in positions involved to maintain the supply chain. We already had several controls installed to maintain the supply chain, we just had to make some changes to specify that it is CSPO.

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

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

Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

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

- Water, land, energy and carbon footprints
Uploaded file: [P-Policies-to-PNC-waterland.pdf](#)
- Land Use Rights
- Ethical conduct and human rights
Uploaded file: [P-Policies-to-PNC-ethicalconducthr.pdf](#)
- Labour rights
Uploaded file: [P-Policies-to-PNC-laborrights.pdf](#)
- Stakeholder engagement
Uploaded file: [P-Policies-to-PNC-stakeholderengagement.pdf](#)
- None of the above

7.2 What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided in the past year to facilitate the uptake of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products? What languages are these guidelines available in?

Comment:

we made blankets with the information of the procedures and they are placed in the field in the place where they are going to work and before starting the activity they use them to explain the work to the staff (training). the blankets are in Spanish which is the official language and are translated into Queqchi which is the language of the area. Here I attached the blankets we use on the field. And all the staff is trained with the procedures of their job and they have them at their disposal so they are able to review them when they have any doubt.

Uploaded file: [P-Best-Practice-Guidelines.pdf](#)

7.3. Your answers above indicate that you are not yet using 100% RSPO certified palm oil and oil palm products. Do you have plans to immediately cover the gap using Book & Claim?

No

Please explain why:

We are not certified yet, so we are not selling any certified product yet. Our plans are to get certified this year 2018.

GHG Footprint

8.1 Are you currently reporting any GHG footprint?

Yes

Report file: [P-GHG-Emissions-Report.pdf](#)

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

Yes

Please state the markets where you use or intend to apply the Trademark and when you plan to start

We don't have independent smallholder, we have scheme smallholders because they all have contract with our mill. All the information is in section 4 for smallholders, and the way we support them is we have always given them technical assistance and at the end of 2017 we hired a technician to implement the principles and criteria in the smallholders and outgrowers fields. He makes visits to the plantations, training, and coordinates the studies that have to be done with them.

Smallholder Group Manager

Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Production

1.1 Production Management

1.1.1 Number of groups under your management: 2

1.1.2 Number of smallholders (group members): 105

1.1.3 Number of Outgrowers (group members): 12

1.1.4 Total number of group members: 117

1.2 Land Management

1.2.1 Total land managed for oil palm cultivation - already planted with oil palm: 4,660.30 ha

1.2.2 Total **land managed** for oil palm cultivation - unplanted but designated for future planting: 0.00 ha

1.2.3 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas: 0.00 ha

1.2.4 Other conservation areas set aside excluding HCV areas reported in 1.2.3: 7.00 ha

1.2.5 Total land area managed: 4,667.30 ha

1.3 Certification Progress

1.3.1 Number of certification units*: 0

*Certification unit is made up of the Group Manager and all group members certified under the RSPO Group Certification Requirements for FFB Production

1.3.2 Total certified area*: 0 ha

*Area within a unit or concession area which may include the planted area, mill, HCVs, housing, roads, conservation and etc.

1.4 In which countries are your groups operating?

1.4.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)

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1.4.2 Malaysia - Please indicate which state(s)

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1.4.3 Other - Please indicate which country/countries

- Guatemala
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1.5 New Plantings and Developments

1.5.1 Area planted in this reporting period (only for new planted area, not replanting): 0.00 ha

1.5.2 Have New Planting Procedure notifications been submitted to the RSPO for plantings this year? No

1.6 Changes in group management

1.6.1 Was there an increase in group members this year? No

What is the reduction this reporting period? 0

1.6.2 Was there an increase in the land area managed this year? No

What is the reduction this reporting period? 0 ha

1.7 Production of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) this year

1.7.1 Total FFB produced: 107,452.69 tonnes

1.7.2 Total FFB produced that is RSPO-certified*: 0.00 tonnes

Supply Chain Used

2.1 Which options did you use to sell RSPO-certified FFB through this reporting period?

Book & Claim

Physical

Time-Bound Plan

3.1 Year of RSPO group certification (planned or achieved)

2021

Concession Map

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

Uploaded file(s):

[acop_smallholders_2017.zip](#)

I hereby declare that map data submission represents 100% of an oil palm growers' concession sites (both RSPO certified and uncertified)

4.2 Please state if any concession sites have been recently acquired or if any concession sites have changed ownership since the previous ACOP submission

no

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

5.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information, please indicate the reasons why:

Data not known

Confidential

Other

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?

The ungovernability that exists in the area, where there are no works from the government and the communities, expect the company to provide them with health, education, infrastructure, work, security, etc. In the area where the company is located there is no work for all people and they are people with low academic level and it is often difficult for them to understand the work that needs to be done. And inside the company, we are ready to request the certification audit from RSPO, but we have not received a response from the conceptual note of the remediation plan and we can not request the audit.

2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP how has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets in other ways? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)

The company has the program of smallholders, which started in 2009, these people previously planted corn and did not have good yields, now they plant palm and now they are entrepreneurs, they have joined the formal economy, they pay taxes, they give work to other people.

3 File -Please attach or add links to any other information from your organisation on your policies and actions on palm oil (EG: sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

● Uploaded files:

[políticas ambientales.pdf](#)
