

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

CONSEJO MEXICANO PARA EL DESARROLLO DE LA PALMA DE ACEITE, A.C. (COMEXPALMA)

1.2 What are the main activity(ies) of your organisation?

- 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

8-0203-17-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Affiliate

1.5 Membership sector

Organisations

Affiliates

Operational Profile

1.1. What are the main activities of your organisation?

I.- The main activity of Comexpalma being a National representative instance in the integral development of the oil palm production chain in Mexico, seeking greater and better coordination of producers and industry and in general of the protagonists of the palm oil production chain, with the federal, state, and municipal governments and financial, academic, research or any other institutions that have a direct or indirect relationship with the aforementioned chain.

II.- Strive to increase productivity and oil palm production, as well as promoting the growth of the crop and improving the commercialization and industrialization of fruit and oil, making this a profitable, competitive activity with criteria of sustainability and protection of the environment;

III, - Participate in the definition and orientation of programs and supports for its associates in coordination with the Federal, State, and Municipal Governments, as well as private institutions and organizations;

IV.- Perform all kinds of acts and operations and subscribe credit instruments in the terms of the General Law of Credit Titles and Operations and all types of documents including granting of powers and faculties, as well as generally leading to any type of activities that are necessary for the fulfillment of the social purpose of the company.

V.-Purchase, lease, sublease and administration of all kinds of personal and real property, which are necessary for the realization of the object of the association.

VI- Promote the integration of State Councils of the Oil Palm, as part of the operational structure of the National Council itself.

VII, - The other objectives that the General Assembly determines in future sessions.

VIII.- Form part of the National Committee of Oil Palm System-Product in accordance with the Law of Sustainable Rural Development.

IX.- Promote technological development both in agricultural production and in the industrialization of oil palm.

X.- Develop technical assistance and training programs for agricultural producers.

XI.- Promote and manage financing that allows members to obtain loans in conditions to boost their growth and productivity.

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

none

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

The Mexican Council for the Development of Palm Oil (COMEXPALMA) alongside ANIAME have been promoting the National Interpretation of RSPO Principles and Criteria for Mexico.

COMEXPALMA participated in the first assembly of the work group for the National Interpretation process, which will be led by the facilitating team E3 Consultoría Ambiental. The assembly was aimed towards introducing the team members, as well as discussing the work plan. It took place in the Torre Mayor's 51st floor in Mexico City. The invitation was uploaded to COMEXPALMA's web page (www.comexpalma.org) under the title "Invitación a la Reunión de Inicio al Proceso de Interpretación Nacional de Principios y Criterios de RSPO para México." Over 60 representatives assisted, including Producers, Processors, Marketers, Observers, Banks and Investors, Government and Technical Experts, Social and Environmental Interests, and Consumer-goods Producers, through whose representation was achieved inclusion of every sector through the whole palm oil supply chain

On November 29th and 30th in Villahermosa, Tabasco, the first formal reunion of this group was held within Autonomous University of Tabasco's facilities. Its objective was to develop altogether a preliminary document of Mexico's National Interpretation through the analysis of Principles and Criteria's standing and applicable regulations established by RSPO. To this meeting attended 55 people from each of the seven categories that comprise the work group.

The next work group meeting will take place on February 18th, 2018.

At governmental events, as well as at agricultural fairs, COMEXPALMA has diffused the National Interpretation of RSPO Principles and Criteria for Mexico through information modules.

1.4. What percentage of your organization's overall activities focus on palm oil?

100%

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

No

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

Yes

If yes, please give details:

Looking for alternatives that facilitate the process such as the Clean Industry Program of the Environmental Attorney's Office.

If not, please explain why:

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1.7. How is your work on palm oil funded?

Managing support from the Federal Government through programs directed towards oil palm cultivation, and participating in the definition and orientation of said programs and supports for its associates in coordination with the Federal, State, and Municipal Governments.

Actions for Next Reporting Period

2.1. Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil.

Continue the activities related to the National Interpretation of RSPO principles and criteria for Mexico.

Preparing several RSPO Principles and Criteria courses for oil palm producers in Mexico.

Continue promoting of the Principles and Criteria of RSPO in government events related to the agricultural sector and especially with the oil palm chain in Mexico

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?

In Mexico, the consumption of palm oil, as in the rest of the world, has been increasing and has gained ground compared to other oils, but in reality there have been no significant problems as economic and social, since the environmental area The Federal Attorney for Environmental Protection (PROFEPA) undertook the National Environmental Audit Program (PNAA) which aims to evaluate the processes of a company that could generate environmental risks, in compliance with applicable regulations of international parameters and good practices and improve the environmental performance of companies, so that it is superior to current environmental legislation. With these actions, the responsibility of oil palm companies registered in the PNAA is demonstrated. To achieve viability and consolidation for the palm oil production chain, the industry has started with a series of projects that have included the achievement of some distinctive features such as Socially Responsible Company, Family Responsible Company, and Clean Industry, certifications work are as a basis for our final objective: achieving certification before the RSPO so that palm oil production consolidation in Mexico be as environmentally and socially responsible as it can be.

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)

We seek the participation of the government in the reunions of the working group of national interpretation of principles and criteria of RSPO for Mexico, so that the sector of small producers feels protected by government's support during the interpretation process.

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)

- No files were uploaded

Link: <http://www.interpretacionnacionalmexicorspo.org/>
