

Particulars

Organisation Name	Agropalma Group		
Corporate Website Address	http://www.agropalma.com.br		
Primary Activity or Product	Oil Palm Growers		
Related Company(ies)	Company	Primary Activity	RSPO Member
	Companhia Refinadora da Amazonia	Processor and/or Trader	Yes
Country Operations	Brazil		
Membership Number	1-0003-04-000-00		
Membership Type	Ordinary Members		
Membership Category	Oil Palm Growers		
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Related Information

Other information on palm oil:

POLICIES

Quality, Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety and Social Responsibility

The Agropalma Group, a palm oil Brazilian producer and exporter corporation, aiming to meet the needs of its customers, to comply with applicable regulatory requirements as well as with the principles of sustainable development and social responsibility, and regarding health and safety of its employees and service providers, is committed to:

- Carry out the whole productive process, from planting to client delivery, through practices and means which aim the prevention of quality decrease of its products and services as well as pollution, accidents and diseases and socio-environmental responsibility;
 - Comply with laws, rules, statutes, contracts and all undertaken commitments, applicable to its activities and products;
 - Ensure continuous performance improvement in all activities, based on a constant evaluation of its customers needs, on significant environmental aspects, on requirements of occupational health and safety, and on social responsibility.
 - Provide necessary competence and awareness to all its employees, or anyone who acts on its behalf to exercise their own activities in accordance with the established in these Policies.
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- Establish all new oil palm plantings according the following criteria:
 - The area intended to be planted is not or were not covered by native vegetation, even secondary forests, since November 2005;
 - The area intended to be planted does not keep any kind of social or environmental High Conservation Values (HCV);
 - The area intended to be planted does not have peat (since 2006) or any kind of soils considered unsuitable to oil palm plantation.

Agropalma Group has the following set of certifications:

MANAGEMENT:

- ISO 9001 - Quality Management Systems
- ISO 14001 - Environmental Management Systems
- ISO 22000 and FSSC 22002 - Food Safety management System
- OHSAS 18001 - Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems

ORGANIC:

- IBD Brazilian Organic
- Bio Suisse
- NOP/USDA - National Organic Program of the United States
- JAS - Japan Agricultural Standard
- Korean Certified Organic

FAIR TRADE:

- EcoSocial Seal

SUSTAINABILITY

- RSPO

JEWISH COMMUNITY

- Kosher

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Reporting Period

01 July 2012 - 01 July 2013

Oil Palm Growers

Operational Profile

1. Main activities as a palm oil grower

- Palm oil grower & miller

Operations and Certification Progress

2. Total landbank available

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2.1. Total landbank licensed

107000

2.2. Total landbank for oil palm cultivation

40000

2.3. Total landbank for conservation

64000

3. About your estate operations

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3.1. Total area of estate plantations - planted

40000

3.2. Mature area

33000

3.3. Imature area

7000

3.4. Area certified

40000

3.5. Number of estates/Management Units

8

3.6. Number of estates/Management Units certified

8

4. In which countries are your estates?

4.1. Indonesia

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4.2. Malaysia

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4.3. Other

Brazil

5. Schemed smallholder operations that supply your organisation

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5.1. Area of scheme smallholder plantations - planted

11500

5.2. Area of scheme smallholder plantations that are certified

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6. New plantings and developments

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6.1. Area planted in this reporting period

80

6.2. Have New Planting Procedures notifications been submitted to the RSPO for the plantings this year?

No

7. Third party Fresh Fruit Bunches sourcing

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7.1. Tonnes of outside FFB purchased from sources that are not company, scheme smallholders or contracted outgrowers

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7.2. How much of this is certified?

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8. Fresh Fruit Bunches processing operations

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8.1. Number of Palm Oil Mills operated

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8.2. Number of Palm Oil Mills certified

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8.3. Number of Palm Kernel crushers and/or Palm Kernel mills operated

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8.4. Number of Palm Kernel crushers and/or Palm Kernel mills certified

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9. Total Fresh Fruit Bunches processing production capacity

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9.1. Total annual Crude Palm Oil production capacity

175000

9.2. Total annual Palm Kernel production capacity

35000

9.3. Total annual Palm Kernel Oil production capacity

15700

9.4. Total annual Certified Crude Palm Oil production capacity

150000

9.5. Total annual Certified Palm Kernel production capacity

30000

9.6. Total annual Certified Palm Kernel Oil production capacity

13500

9.7. Total annual FFB production capacity

419200

Marketing**10 Which supply chain options do you sell RSPO-certified palm oil products through?**

- Segregated
- Identity Preserved

Time-Bound Plan**11 Date of first RSPO estate certification (planned or achieved)**

2011

12 Time-bound plan - Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of estates

2011

13 What are your interim milestones towards achieving RSPO certification commitment (year and progressive CSPO%)

Agropalma has already 100% of its own plantations certified. By RSPO current rules Agropalma has three years to put all schemed smallholders and big outgrowers under the certification standards. Agropalma Group operates a partnership with 185 smallholders and 47 big outgrowers whom supply company with FFB. Since 2010 Agropalma started its efforts to engage the smallholders in RSPO P&C, through a partnership with Dutch NGO Solidaridad. However, RSPO P&C applied according Brazilian Laws are quite strict and it will be a big challenge to smallholders being in compliance with them.

In the year of 2012 company run a big field assessment to verify the level of compliance with RSPO P&C and Brazilian Laws.

In the first semester of 2013 company provided a set of trainings as the first step to support their regularization.

In the second semester company will support them do get the environmental documents from the government.

In the year of 2014 company will ask for the certification audits applied to schemed smallholders and big outgrowers.

Timebound plan - Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of associated smallholders and outgrowers)

2014

14 What are your interim milestones towards achieving this RSPO certification commitment (year and progressive CSPO%)

Already reported in question 13.

15 Time-Bound plan - Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of independently sourced FFB

2014

16 What are your interim milestones towards achieving this RSPO certification commitment (year and progressive CSPO%)

As Agropalma Group does not operates with independent suppliers of FFB the questions 15 and 16 are not applicable.

17 Which countries that your organization operates in do the above commitments cover?

Brazil

Actions for Next Reporting Period**18 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to advance your plans for certification**

Already reported in question 13.

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

- 1 - Engaging NGOs and other companies to discuss the sustainability of palm oil expansion in Brazil and the importance of having a standard such RSPO to guide this expansion in a sustainable way;
- 2 - Providing knowledge and know-how on RSPO to Brazilian and Latin American interested companies;
- 3 - Supporting RSPO secretariat in the projects to promote RSPO taken place in Latin America;
- 4 - Promoting RSPO among companies that consume palm oil and operates in Brazil.

20 Does your company have a public commitment relating to the GHG emissions of your operations?

Yes

Public commitment relating to the GHG emissions report:

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21 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations? - Existing operations (as per Criterion 5.6)

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Report the GHG emissions of operations - existing operations (as per Criterion 5.6)

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21 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations? - Expected emissions associated with new plantings

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Report the GHG emissions of operations - Expected emissions associated with new plantings (as per Criterion 7.8)

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Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

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

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Reasons

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Challenges

1. Significant economic, social or environmental obstacles

In production of CSPO, the main challenge is incorporate the smallholders in the certifications processes. To face this challenge, company is supporting them to comply with Brazilian Law and RSPO P&C, by providing trainings, orientation, promoting the dialog between smallholders and government agencies and company is paying some studies demand by RSPO P&C.

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

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Cost Effective:

Yes

Robust:

Yes

Simpler to Comply to:

No

3. How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets?

Agropalma Group operates on the production side of supply chain and sell most part of its production in Brazilian market. Agropalma already has 100% of its own plantations certified under RSPO P&C. Besides taking care about its own production, Agropalma Group promotes RSPO among its clients and other growers by sharing its experiences (in Brazil and other countries of Latin America). Agropalma Group also engage NGOs and governmental agencies in the discussion about the sustainability of palm oil expansion in Brazil and highlights the importance of RSPO standards as the best guide to sustainability of palm oil production.
