## **Particulars**

# About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization
Agricultural Industries Confederation Limited
1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?
☐ Grower
☐ Processor and/or Trader
☐ Consumer Goods Manufacturer
Retailer and/or Wholesaler
☐ Bank and/or Investor
☐ Social and/or Development NGO
☐ Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
☐ Supply Chain Associate
✓ Affiliate
I.3 Membership number
3-0209-18-000-00
1.4 Membership category
Associations
I.5 Membership sector
Affiliate

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### **Affiliate**

### 1. Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organisation?

AIC is a trade body based in the UK that represents the agri-supply industry in the area of political lobbying, technical information, trade assurance, conference and events.

1.2 Does your organisation 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.

Setting up of a system to purchase RSPO Credits on behalf of AIC members to promote the use of sustainable palm oil in the animal feed sector.

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

2%

1.5 Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working and/or taskforce groups 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

1.7 How is your work on palm oil funded?

AIC membership fees fund information provision and the operation of the RSPO Credit purchase scheme.

### 2. Actions for Next Reporting Period

2.1 Outline activities that you will take in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil along the supply chain.

AIC will launch its RSPO Credit purchase scheme to members of AIC feed sector and encourage its use among members to build the use of CSPO within animal feed supply chains.

Develop the knowledge and awareness of sustainable palm oil within the animal feed sector via website updates and information sent to members.

### 3. Challenges

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3.1 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?
☐ Awareness of RSPO in the market
☑ Difficulties in the certification process
☐ Certification of smallholders
☐ Competition with non-RSPO members
☐ Human rights issues
☐ Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
✓ Low usage of palm oil
☐ Reputation of palm oil in the market
☐ Reputation of RSPO in the market
☐ Supply issues
☐ Traceability issues
✓ Others
Other:
Äuln 2017 when GreenPalm became RSPO credits, the majority of animal feed manufacturers in the UK decided to no longer
credit claim and sell certified product to their customers without becoming RSPO members, an onerous step for them. Thus far only one blender and two animal feed manufacturers that are members of the AIC have joined the RSPO, which means that the percentage sustainable palm oil being purchased by the sector is likely to have recently reduced, \$\tilde{A}_i\tilde
3.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP, how has your organisation supported the vision of RSPO to transform the market for sustainable palm oil in other ways? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)
☐ Engagement with government agencies
☐ Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues eg trade workshops industry associations
☐ Promotion of physical CSPO
☐ Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
☐ Research & Development support
☐ Stakeholder engagement
✓ Others

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#### Other:

AIC attend the UK Roundtable on Sourcing Sustainable Palm Oil

3.3 Please attach or add links to any other information from your organisation on your palm oil policies and activities (e.g.: sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

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