

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

Both ENDS

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
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1.3 Membership number

7-0004-05-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

Environmental and/or Conservation NGO

1. Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organisation?

Vision: Both ENDS envisions a world based on equitable relationships and consisting of sustainable livelihoods, and recognises the key role for CSOs in achieving this.

Mission: Both ENDS works critically for social justice and a better environment by connecting and empowering CSOs.

Both ENDS supports the work of environmental organisations, primarily in the so-called South (developing countries) and the Central and Eastern European (CEE) countries. We support organisations through information, research, advocacy, campaigning, networking and capacity-building.

The core of Both ENDS' activities is in making connections, between South and North, environment and development, and between different sectors of society. Both ENDS functions as a go-between to support individuals and social organisations all over the world whose specialisation is ecological sustainability and social justice. The main focus is the realisation of sustainable forms of natural resource management and to promote policy making in the Netherlands as well as worldwide.

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

No

1.3 What activities has your organisation undertaken to publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification, uptake of RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products and/or good standing RSPO members during the year?

Activities undertaken to publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification, uptake of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products and/or good standing RSPO members during the year. Promotion of dialogue with industry and government in consuming countries, including Dutch government, Dutch parliament as well as the European Commission and European Parliament, and local stakeholders, notably local NGOs and communities in sourcing countries. Explanation RSPO's policies, challenges faced and measures taken in Dutch and EU political and public arena. Furthermore as member of RSPO BoG and as co-chair RSPO DSF Advisory Group. Facilitator Board Steering Group RSP Assurance Task Force. Promote implementation 'Amsterdam Declaration' (EU-members states committing to 100% CSPO).

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

10%

1.5 Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working and/or taskforce groups in the reporting period?

Yes

1.6 Do you have any collaborations with the industry players/private sector to support them in the market transformation towards RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products?

Yes

1.7 How is your work on palm oil funded?

Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs; assignments.

2. Time-Bound Plan

2.1 Date started or expected to start participating in RSPO working and/or taskforce groups.

2007

2.2 Date expected to undertake and publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification, uptake of RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products and/or good standing RSPO members.

2007

3. Actions for Next Reporting Period

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

As member of RSPO Assurance Standing Committee, promote Amsterdam Declaration, communicating examples of positive impact RSPO, outreach to intermediary organizations, chairing DSF AG. and DSF Trust Fund Committee.

4. Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors**4.1 Regarding your organisation's operations and activities, do you have position statements and/or policies related to dealings in the palm oil industry that are in line with RSPO P&C? Select all relevant options.**

4.1.A Water, land, energy and carbon footprints

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4.1.B Land use rights

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4.1.C Ethical conduct and human rights

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4.1.D Labour rights

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4.1.E Stakeholder engagement

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4.1.F None of the above

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4.2 What best practice guidelines or information has your organisation provided in the past year to facilitate production and consumption of RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products? What languages are these guidelines available in?

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5. Challenges

5.1 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
- High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
- 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:

Lack of capacity issues, with growers and CBs/auditors/assessors.

Lack of governmental law enforcement and contradictory policies and legislation, esp in the domain of labour and land use planning

5.2 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 business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- 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

Other:

Dialogue in general, information provision to various non-RSPO stakeholders, incl civil society organisations and government

5.3 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)

Policy and statements re Palm Oil

<https://www.bothends.org/en/Our-work/Dossiers/Fighting-for-more-sustainable-palm-oil>

Concerning land and water

<https://www.bothends.org/en/Our-work/Themes/Land-water-governance/>

Concerning Human rights and gender

<https://www.bothends.org/en/Our-work/Themes/Human-rights-and-gender/>

<http://annualreport.bothends.org/#anchor-download>