

Minutes for BOARD OF GOVERNORS Meeting 01-20

Date: 10 Feb 2020

Start Time: 8.00pm-9.15pm (GMT +8)

Venue: Conference Call (Zoom Call)

Attendance

BoG Members and Alternates

In Attendance

Substantive Members

MPOA Dato' Carl Bek-Nielsen (CBN) – Co Chair

WRI – Anne Rosenbarger (AR) – Co Chair

AAK – Tim Stephenson (TS)

AGROCARIBE – José Roberto Montenegro (JRM)

BOTHENDS - Paul Wolvekamp (PW)

FPP – Marcus Colchester (MC)

P&G – Lee Kuan-Chun (LKC)

RABOBANK – Geraldine Lim

STD CHARTERED – Samantha Bramley (SB)

WILMAR – Daphne Hameeteman (DH)

Alternate Members

HUTAN – Harjinder Kler (HK) **

representing Elizabeth Clarke (EC)

MPOA – Lee Kuan Yee (LKY)

MUSIMMAS – Olivier Tichit (OT)

OLAM – Audrey Lee (AL)

SIPEF – Sander Van den Ende (SVE)

UNILEVER – Martin Huxtable (MH) **
representing Petronella Meekers

ZSL – Eleanor Spencer (ES)

Advisors

Absent with Apologies:

MR Chandran (MRC)

Prof. Bungaran Saragih (BS)

Secretariat Staff

In Attendance:

Bakhtiar Talhah (BT) Tiur Rumondang (TR)

Salahudin Yaacob Dan Stretchay (DS)

(SY) Julia Majail (JM)

Cheri Woo (CW) Oi Soo Chin (OSC)

Francisco Naranjo (FN)

Secretariat Staff

Absent with Apologies:

Javin Tan (JT)

Patrick Chia (PC)

Absent with Apologies:

Substantive Members

AEON – Kahori Miyake (KM)

FELDA – Dato' Amir Hamdan (AH)

GOLDEN AGRI

RESOURCES – Agus Purnomo (AP)

RPOG – Julian Walker-Palin (JWP)

(GL)UNILEVER – Petronella Meekers (PM)

WWF – Elizabeth Clarke (EC)

Alternate Members

AAK – Caroline Westerik-Sikking (CWS)

AEON – Yumie Kawashima (YK)

AHOLD DELHAIZE – Hugo Byrnes (HB)

ASIAN AGRI – Dr. Mohamad Fadhil

Hasan (FH)

FELDA – Razuwan Che Rose (RCR)

STD CHARTERED – Roger Charles (RC)

P&G – Girish Deshpande (GD)

Rabobank – Martin Van Vaals (MVV)

UNIVANICH – John Clendon (JC)

OXFAM – Madeleine Brasser (MB)

Item	Description	Focal Point												
1.0	<p>Introduction</p> <p>1.1 RSPO Antitrust Laws There will be no discussion on any commercial aspect of the trade in palm oil on premiums, volumes, individual suppliers, individual customers, etc.</p> <p>1.2 RSPO BoG consensus based decision making The BoG was reminded that they try to reach/make decisions by consensus, which is the absence of sustained objection.</p>													
2.0	<p>Updates from previous meeting Action items from BoG physical meeting on 7 Nov 2019.</p> <p>2.1 BT presented a progress update on all the listed action items derived from the Nov 2019 meeting.</p>	FYI												
3.0	<p>Recent management appointments in RSPO Secretariat</p> <p>3.1 BT announced new senior leadership appointments:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="261 857 1118 1122"> <thead> <tr> <th>No.</th> <th>Name</th> <th>New Designation</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Salahudin Yaacob</td> <td>Director, Strategic Stakeholder Relations</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Aminah Ang</td> <td>Acting Director, Assurance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Dan Stretchay</td> <td>Acting Director, Outreach & Engagement</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	No.	Name	New Designation	1	Salahudin Yaacob	Director, Strategic Stakeholder Relations	2	Aminah Ang	Acting Director, Assurance	3	Dan Stretchay	Acting Director, Outreach & Engagement	FYI
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4.0	<p>Annual Communication of Progress (ACOP) Progress and timeline</p> <p>4.1 OSC provided an update on the ACOP progress to the Board.</p> <p>GHG Computation Report OSC to send out a guidance clarification on the ACOP GHG Computation submission.</p>	OSC												
5.0	<p>Outreach & Engagement O&E Second Half FY2020 Updates</p> <p>5.1 DS briefed the BoG on the organisational communications strategy and proposed changes to the department and focus in coming months.</p>	FYI												
6.0	<p>Shared Responsibility (SR)</p> <p>6.1 Discussion on the governance of the SR Working Group (SRWG) and the Oversight Committee (OC), in compliance with ISEAL requirements on alternative decision making. The BoG requested that the logic, functionality and composition of the OC be deliberated in the alignment meeting of the Standing Committees (SCs) scheduled on Mar 6. The SCs will then report back to the BoG on their recommendation on this issue.</p>	FYI												

6.2	<p>Endorsement of the SRWG ToR. The endorsement of the SRWG ToR has been postponed to 5 Mar 2020 BoG meeting.</p> <p>All concerns relating to the SRWG ToR would be addressed accordingly before the 5 March BoG meeting.</p>	BT/OSC
7.0	<p>AOB</p> <p>7.1 Statement against NGOs MC raised his concern over a statement purportedly by a spokesperson for a Malaysian Grower member, who labelled NGO critics as ‘toxic entities’ and called on the government to suppress them. MC proposed the RSPO to communicate its stance on this clearly.</p> <p>http://www.forestpeoples.org/en/global-finance-trade-private-sector-palm-oil-rspo/news-article/2020/palm-oil-impacted-people-demand</p> <p>The Secretariat will ensure that it is clearly communicated that the RSPO does not support this position.</p> <p>7.1.1 The MPOA assured MC and the BoG that the views expressed by an individual associated with the Malaysian oil palm industry are not supported by the MPOA and Sime Darby.</p> <p>7.1.2 The MPOA welcomes the active engagement and participation of all stakeholders, including the NGO fraternity which was fully in line with the spirit of the RSPO.</p> <p>7.2 Confirming Dates for SPOD 2020 The Palm and Lauric Oils Price Outlook Conference dates were postponed to 22-24 June 2020 due to the rising concerns of the spread of Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCov) in KL. The said dates i.e. 22-24 June does clash with the RSPO SPOD event. The Secretariat will confirm the dates for SPOD by Friday (14 Feb 2020) and send an update to all Board members.</p>	Secretariat
	Meeting adjourned at 9.15pm.	