

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Member Name

Nestlé S.A.

1.2 Membership Number

4-0055-09-000-00

1.3 Membership Sector

Consumer Goods Manufacturers

1.4 Membership Category

Ordinary

1.5 Country

Switzerland

2.0 Does your company or organisation produce, process, consume or sell any palm oil or any products containing derivatives of palm oil?

Yes

2.1 Please select all description(s) that describe the palm oil-related activities of your company or organisation. Multiple selections are allowed, and not limited to the primary sector of the member's RSPO membership. You will be required to complete the relevant ACOP section based on your selection(s).

- I own and operate oil palm estate(s) and/or palm oil mill(s)
- I represent a palm oil Independent Smallholder farmer Group
- I own and operate independent palm oil mills
- I own and operate independent palm kernel crushing plants - Processors and/or Traders
- I trade or broker palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Processors and/or Traders
- I am a refiner of palm oil or palm kernel oil - Processors and/or Traders
- I am a processor of intermediate (B2B) palm oil, palm kernel oil or related fractions/derivatives - Processors and/or Traders
- I am a B2B distributor or wholesaler of palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Processors and/or Traders
- I manufacture final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products. This includes products manufactured by 3rd party contractors - Consumer Goods Manufacturers
- I retail final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Retailers
- I operate food retail outlets that use palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Retailers
- I am a conservation and environmental NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry
- I am a social and human development NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry

Consumer Goods Manufacturers

1. Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your company's main activity within the palm oil supply chain.

- Food Good Manufacturer - own brand
- Food Good Manufacturer - third-party brand
- Home & Personal Care Good Manufacturer - own brand
- Home & Personal Care Good Manufacturer - third-party brand
- Ingredient Manufacturers
- Biofuels
- Other

Other

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2. Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption

Information in Section 2.0 - Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption - is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes volume data on palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products consumed, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate uptake of individual members, sectors and RSPO members as a whole. ACOP reports without reported volume data will be considered as incomplete and will not be accepted. Incomplete ACOP reports may lead to suspension or termination of RSPO membership.

2.1 Please list down all operations and subsidiaries using palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products that are owned and/or managed by the member, including those under Group Membership

Applies globally, Nestle SA

2.1.1 In which markets does your company sell goods with palm oil and oil palm products?

Europe ,North America ,China,India,Malaysia,Indonesia,Africa ,Latin America ,Rest of the World

DL.2.0 In order to facilitate ease of reporting and transparency, RSPO members operating within the palm oil demand supply chain can now choose to report palm oil and palm oil product volumes on:

an aggregate level (as in previous ACOP reporting cycles)

2.2 Total volume of RSPO-certified (IP, MB, SG and RSPO Credits/Book and Claim) and Non RSPO-certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products purchased for use in your company's own-brand and third-party brand products

Description	Tonnes
Total volume of crude palm oil (tonnes)	309866.00
Total volume of crude palm kernel oil (tonnes)	148828.00
Total volume of palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.00
Total volume of crude palm oil/palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions (tonnes)	0.00
Total	458694.00

2.2.1 Please estimate the percentage of derivatives and fractions (reported in Question CG.2.2) derived from palm oil or from palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	0
Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	0

2.3 Please estimate the regional distribution of your company's uncertified and certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products sales (as declared in Question 2.2) in the following countries/regions.

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	9
North America	8
Malaysia	9
Indonesia	3
China	3
India	13
Latin America	15
Africa	9
Rest of World	31

2.4 Volume of RSPO-certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products purchased for use in your company's own-brand and third-party brand products in the year:

Description	Crude/Refined Palm Oil (CSPO)	Crude/Refined Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO)	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)	Certified Derivatives and Fractions
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	1494374.00	71624.00	0.00	0.00
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	50341.00	3438.00	0.00	0.00
Mass Balance (MB)	6379.00	511.00	0.00	0.00
Segregated (SG)	98523.00	6268.00	0.00	0.00
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	1649617.00	81841.00	0.00	0.00

2.4.1 Please estimate the percentage of RSPO-certified derivatives and fractions (reported in Question CG.2.4) derived from RSPO-certified palm oil or from RSPO-certified palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based

Description	Percentage
Certified Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	0
Certified Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	0

2.5 According to the volume information you have provided in Question 2.2 and Question 2.4, your company's certified palm oil and palm oil products uptake is:

377.48%

2.5.1 Please provide additional information on your certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products uptake. This may include your usage of RSPO Credits to cover gaps in certified uptake, changes due to business environment, variations due to stock positions or efforts to support independent smallholders beyond volume commitments.

We purchase RSPO SG or MB where we are able and purchase credits for the remainder of our time bound plan commitments. To the extent available, we purchase IS credits for the credit purchase.

During 2023, 100% of our crude palm oil volume was from Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) certified sources. Market shortages meant that we were only able to purchase 55% of our kernel oil volume from RSPO sources. To help prevent future supply issues, we decided to send a strong market signal. It takes an average of 10 tonnes of crude palm oil to produce a tonne of kernel oil. We purchased certificates for RSPO-certified crude palm oil equivalent to 20 times (1339751 tonnes) the missing volume of certified kernel oil (66988 tonnes). We supported the certification journey of 53 700 smallholders by purchasing their RSPO credits

2.6 Please estimate the regional sales volume distribution of your company's RSPO certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products (as declared in Question 2.4) in the following countries/regions:

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	9
North America	8
Malaysia	9
Indonesia	3
China	3
India	13
Latin America	15
Africa	9
Rest of World	31

3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company achieve (or expects to achieve) the RSPO supply chain certification?

2010

3.2 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products in own-brand products

2010

3.2.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

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3.3 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using only RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from any supply chain option in own-brand products.

2023

3.3.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

During 2023, 100% of our crude palm oil volume was from Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) certified sources. Market shortages meant that we were only able to purchase 55% of our kernel oil volume from RSPO sources. To help prevent future supply issues, we decided to send a strong market signal. It takes an average of 10 tonnes of crude palm oil to produce a tonne of kernel oil. We purchased certificates for RSPO-certified crude palm oil equivalent to 20 times (1339751 tonnes) the missing volume of certified kernel oil (66988 tonnes). We supported the certification journey of 53700 smallholders by purchasing their RSPO credits

3.4 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using only RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from physical supply chain options (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) in own-brand products.

2025

3.4.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

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4. Trademark Use

4.1 Does your company use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products?

No

4.3 Please explain why your company does not plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products

- Challenging reputation of palm oil
- Confusion among end-consumers
- Costs of changing labels
- Difficulty of applying for RSPO Trademark
- Lack of customer demand
- Limited label space
- Low consumer awareness
- Low usage of palm oil
- Risk of supply disruption
- Others

Others

5. Actions for Next Reporting Period

5.1 Please outline activities that your company will take in the coming year to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)

- Participation in RSPO Working Group or Task Forces
- Support Independent Smallholders (ISH)
- Contribute to the RSPO Smallholder Trainer Academy
- Financial contribution to the RSPO Smallholder Support Fund
- Direct investments in Smallholder Certification projects
- Involvement/direct investments in Jurisdictional/Landscape approach
- Direct/collective investments in conservation and restoration initiatives
- Financial contribution to support members with Remediation and Compensation (RaCP) process, direct/collective investments in conservation and restoration initiatives
- Allocating FTE to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable oil palm products
- Specific policies and action plans by the member to promote CSPO production or consumption in the upstream or downstream supply chain, including target dates or broader policies that include such efforts
- No activities planned
- Others

Other

During 2023, 100% of our crude palm oil volume was from Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) certified sources. Market shortages meant that we were only able to purchase 55% of our kernel oil volume from RSPO sources. To help prevent future supply issues, we decided to send a strong market signal. It takes an average of 10 tonnes of crude palm oil to produce a tonne of kernel oil. We purchased certificates for RSPO-certified crude palm oil equivalent to 20 times (1,3 million tonnes) the missing volume of certified kernel oil (66,988 tonnes). In addition, we also supported the certification journey of over 53,700 smallholders by purchasing their RSPO credits.

In 2024 we aim to maintain the 100% achievement of 2023, with preference for RSPO SG/IG, but to be complemented by MB or Book and Claim. We will continue to work towards 100% deforestation free key supply chains and on implementing our Forest Positive Strategy and our Labor Rights Action Plan. Our work plan includes additional activities promoting sustainable palm oil production, and specifically no deforestation, no peat development, no exploitation, and smallholder inclusion in our supply chains. Examples of these activities in our work plan include:

- Global supply chain monitoring of deforestation risk with Starling satellite monitoring, which in combination with traceability to plantation, HCS assessments, and conservation initiatives aim to work towards our no deforestation commitment.
- Directly supporting conservation and restoration of forests and peatlands around our palm oil supply chains and launching additional initiatives to address conservation and restoration of forests in palm oil producing landscapes
- Supporting the development and use of the NDPE Implementation Reporting Framework within our supply chains.
- Working collaboratively for industry transformation via active participation in the Consumer Goods Forum's Palm Oil Working Group, and in the Palm Oil Collaboration Group.
- Expanding our work with smallholders in our supply chain to develop resilient livelihoods and produce responsible palm oil, to reach smallholders through 7 landscape initiatives in pursuit of our ambition of 100% Responsibly Sourced palm oil supply chains that are inclusive of smallholders.
- Implementing our Action Plan on Labour Rights in Palm Oil Supply Chains
- Implementing our roadmap to achieve net-zero GHG emissions by 2050

Shared Responsibility

The Board of Governors of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil approved new Shared Responsibility rules on 31 October 2019, requiring all members to share sustainability requirements and obligations. Reporting of Shared Responsibility (SR) requirements will be done through ACOP and MyRSPO. As the process of verification of the reports is in development, the Shared Responsibility section in ACOP may change in future ACOP cycles. Evidence to show compliance to the SR requirements shall be uploaded via your membership profile in MyRSPO. Please login to your MyRSPO account and upload the relevant policies, plans and relevant reports there. If you do not have a policy or your policy does not cover all items, you will be required to provide a Declaration of Support for the relevant policy items in your MyRSPO profile. Additional information on the required policies and plans applicable to all sectors as well as the annual uptake targets for supply chain actors can be found on <https://rspo.org/members/shared-responsibility> or email the Shared Responsibility team at sharedresponsibility@rspo.org.

SR 1. Transparency

1.1 Does your organisation have organisational management documents publicly-available?

Yes

SR 2. Ethical Conduct

1.2 Does your organisation have a publicly-available policy covering Ethical Conduct, including for recruitment and contractors?

Yes

SR 3 and SR 4. Legal Compliance

1.3 Does your organisation comply with all applicable legal requirements?

Yes

1.4 Does your organisation require its third party contractors to comply with legal requirements?

Yes

SR 7. Claims and labels

1.7a Does your organisation promote the use of off-product RSPO claims and labels?

No

SR 8. Information and outreach activities

1.8 Does your organisation implement transparent communication and outreach activities to promote sustainable palm oil?

Yes

SR 9. Human Rights

1.9 Does your organisation have a publicly-available Policy on respect for human rights, including for suppliers and sub-contractors?

Yes

SR 10. Complaints & Grievances**1.10 Does your organisation have a Grievance Mechanism that is accessible to all affected parties?**

Yes

1.10.1 Is your Grievance mechanism in line with the principles of the RSPO's Complaints System?

Yes

SR 11 and SR 12. Land Use and FPIC**1.11a Does your organisation have a policy covering Commitment to respect Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) in the operational Palm Oil Supply chain?**

Yes

1.11a.1 Does your organisation have a procedure in place to identify legal, customary or user rights, and people entitled to compensation?

Yes

SR 13 and SR 14. Smallholders inclusion**1.13 Does your organisation support oil palm smallholders (groups)?**

Yes

SR 15 - SR 20. Labour & Labour Rights**1.15 Does your organisation have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?**

Yes

1.15.1 Does the policy cover:

- No discrimination and equal opportunities
- Pay and conditions of the workers.
- Freedom of association and Collective bargaining
- Protection of children and remediation for suppliers and third party contractors.
- Prevention of all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment
- No forced or trafficked labour

SR 21. Occupational Health & Safety**1.21 Does your organisation have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?**Yes

SR 22. Waste Management**1.22a Does your organisation have a waste management plan that includes reduction, recycling, reusing and disposal based on the hazardous characteristics?**Yes

1.22a.1 Is this plan implemented?Yes

SR 23. Water Management**1.23 Does your organisation have a water management plan to promote efficient use and continued availability of water sources?**Yes

1.23.1 Is this plan implemented?Yes

SR 24. Energy Use**1.24 Does your organisation have an energy use plan to improve the efficiency of the fossil fuels used and to optimise renewable energy?**Yes

1.24.1 Are there records of implementation of the plan ie. monitoring and reporting?Yes

SR 25. Climate Change and Greenhouse Gases (GHG)**1.25 Does your organisation have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG) including identification and assessment of GHG emissions and implementation of a plan to reduce or minimise them?**Yes

SR 26. Promotion of certification/uptake

1.26b Does your organisation meet the SR CSPO uptake target?

Yes _____

SR 27. Sustainable Palm Oil Policy

1.27a Does your organisation have other relevant policies as a sustainable palm oil sourcing policy?

Yes _____

SR 28 and SR 29. Support and resourcing

1.28 Does your organisation provides services and support to RSPO and resources to implement SR?

Yes _____

Challenges and Support

1.1 What significant obstacles or challenges has your company encountered in the promotion of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)? What efforts has your company taken to address these obstacles or challenges?

- 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
- No challenges faced
- Others

Others

The two main challenges have been related to logistics and compliance. For logistics, The challenge has been physically getting traceable and responsibly sourced palm oil in certain markets where the main supply come through bulk vessels, which introduce additional complexity to segregation and traceable materials. To address this, we try to identify supply chains where there is greater transparency as well as focusing on initiatives to support industry transformation. For compliance, we encounter obstacles in suppliers being able to demonstrate that no deforestation & no peat development is in the supply chain, as well as to address labour issues around which there is lower awareness in the industry. To address this, we have partnered with subject matter expert organizations to develop tools and build capacity in our supply chains.

1.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP report, what other ways has your company supported the vision of the RSPO to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm?

- Communication and/or engagement to transform the negative perception of palm oil
- Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- Engagement with government agencies
- Engagement with peers and clients
- Promotion of CSPO through off product claims
- Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues such as trade workshops or industry associations
- Promotion of physical CSPO
- Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
- Research & Development support
- Stakeholder engagement
- No actions taken
- Others

Others

In Chiapas and Tabasco, Mexico, the Mexico Palm Oil Holistic Program is a collaborative effort from Nestlé, PepsiCo, Oleopalma, RSPO, Proforest, and Femexpalma to support the sustainable development of the Mexican palm oil sector. In 2021, the project successfully completed the second phase for four smallholder groups (136 farmers in total) to achieve RSPO certification under the milestone A of the RSPO Independent Smallholder standard, meaning up to 70% of production can be sold as RSPO independent smallholder credits. In 2022, Cargill joined the program to allow for the collaboration to deepen their existing engagement with mills and independent producers between 2022 and 2025. The lessons learned are now being shared and scaled up to impact additional mills and smallholders' associations in the region to prevent deforestation and exploitation. In 2023, 6 mills and 45 producers were supported in their certification process and 117 smallholders participated in the organic fertilization program.

1.3 If your company has any other publicly-available reports or information regarding its palm oil-related policies and activities, please provide the links here

Palm Oil Sustainable Sourcing Website: <https://www.nestle.com/sustainability/sustainable-sourcing/palm-oil>