

RSPO Outreach Working Group (OWG) Meeting 9: 29th July, 2021

Agenda (Minutes)

- Introductions (including new working group members/regional representatives) (0-5)
- Anti-trust statement and approval of minutes of the last meeting (5-10)
- Presentation by Singapore Institute of International Affairs (SIIA) to discuss synergies (10-40)
- Highlights from RSPO's work for COP26 and COP15 (40-50)
- Updates related to the 'Communication, Claims and Trademark' documents (50-55)
- Regional updates for BIG4 (India, China, Indonesia, Malaysia) to increase CSPO uptake and RSPO's impact (55-85)
- AOB and Next Steps (85-90)

OWG Participants

Constituency	Name (Substantive/Alternate)
Grower/Processor	Lesley Marson, Olam
Grower ROW	Cristian Carrillo, Palmaceite S.A.
Grower - MY	Mark Wong, Sime Darby Plantations
Grower -Indo	Anita Neville, GAR
P&T	Jonathan Escolar, AAK Global, Bo Porsgaard Pedersen, AAK Regional, Raymond Due, AAK China, Dheeraj Talreja, AAK India
P&T	Aurora Giribuola, IFF
CGM	Paula Kasprzyk, Natura & Co
SCA	Manjo Jha, Sai Tripti Chemtrade Pvt Ltd, India
eNGO	Michelle Desilets, Orangutan Land Trust
eNGO	Xin Yu, WWF - China
eNGO	Tracey Gazibara, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo

Secretariat Participants:

Region	Name
Global	Inke Van Der Sluijs
Asia/India	Kamal Prakash Seth
North America	Cameron Plese
Malaysia	Ibrahim Khalil
Indonesia	Margareth Naulie Panggabean
Assurance	Aryo Gustomo, Prabhkirat Kaur, Md. Shazaley bin Abdullah

Guest Participant:

Meixi Gan, Deputy Director, Sustainability, SIIA

- 1. Presentation by SIIA to discuss synergies with RSPO (please refer to the slides)
 - Highlight of actions against haze and opportunities for climate action



- Discussions on two questions Which part of the ecosystem in Singapore is most urgent to engage in order to achieve CSPO uptake Targets? What can the SIIA, as an independent think tank, do in partnership with RSPO and others for maximum impact? (Industry roundtable? Policy Paper? Sustainability toolkit? etc.)
- Members mentioned that it might be useful to explore engagement opportunities with
 forums like the ASEAN Secretariat, Food Industry Asia, UN PRI, WBCSD and Action for
 Sustainable Derivatives. We also need to understand the market landscape in Singapore
 better and analyse the data from ACOP 2020 and PalmTrace for an effective mapping and
 engagement strategy. Generally it has been difficult to get food service providers to increase
 their CSPO uptake as they might be small/unknown or because of the challenges related to
 the franchise model
- SIIA mentioned that many FIs/Banks choose to ignore the palm oil sector as they perceive it
 as high risk, the sustainable palm oil topic is new to them or find it challenging to ask their
 clients to meet the high standards set by RSPO, given there are other relatively less
 challenging compliance options. The secretariat will take forward this discussion internally
 and see which areas do we want to focus on with SIIA Trade Policy/Government Relations,
 FIs/Banks and Processors & Traders

2. Highlights from RSPO's work for COP26 and COP15

- The BoG discussed the ongoing challenges and solutions related to the staffing challenges in the RSPO secretariat and has decided to cancel the 'Road to COP26' campaign. The campaign's taskforce will discuss a re-alignment of its focus areas towards RT 2021, including regional debates, discussions and members engagement sessions. More details will be shared in the next meeting.
- RSPO has been participating in the COP26 FACT Dialogue process and deep dive discussions.
 We are working with the 'World Economic Forum' as a supporting partner for their 'Uplink Challenge' related to tropical forest commodities challenge. We have also been involved with pre-COP15 activities organised by our partners and other stakeholders in China

3. Summary of proposed changes to the 'Communication, Claims and Trademark documents

• The secretariat is working to finalise the document's content and design and will hand it over to the standard development division for the next steps. The document is expected to be made public by the end of 2021.

4. Regional updates for BIG4 (India, China, Indonesia, Malaysia) to increase CSPO uptake and RSPO's impact

- Secretariat shared key updates from BIG4 as highlighted in the presentation used during the meeting (attached)
- RSPO launched a global youth impact competition in July 2021 to invite submissions for innovative solutions related to sustainable lifestyle and sustainable palm oil. The competition will be organised virtually on 25th August 2021 in association with our partners in China.
- Members offered their support to help the secretariat in inviting RSPO members to participate as speakers in public webinars and events in Indonesia
- The secretariat is working on the YfS Malaysia initiative and organising youth networking sessions and a YouTube video project

5. Key Action Items

- Please continue to increase your efforts to invite/recruit regional colleagues from BIG4 countries to join the next meetings
- The 'Communications & Claims' document is being finalised by the secretariat
- The secretariat will be preparing the uptake related data and analysis and we should be ready to present in the next OWG meeting