ASOCIACION NACIONAL DE INDUSTRIALES DE ACEITES Y MANTECAS COMESTIBLES, A.C. (ANIAME)

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

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1.2 What are the main activity(ies) of your organisation?

Oil Palm Growers	s
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- □ Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders
- Consumer Goods Manufacturers
- Retailers
- Banks and Investors
- Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
- Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
- S Affiliate Members
- □ Supply Chain Associate

1.3 Membership number

8-0199-17-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Affiliate

1.5 Membership sector

Associations

Affiliates

Operational Profile

1.1. What are the main activities of your organisation?

ANIAME, the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EDIBLE OILS AND SHORTENING PRODUCERS, is the representative organisation for the most important Mexican oilseed crushers, oil palm FFB processors and vegetable oils and fats refiners.

Representation of the Mexican vegetable oil sector is the main function of ANIAME. This representative task has been quite relevant to boost the Mexican oils & fats industry's growth within a context of trade and economic liberalisation. We promote an environment of free trade and higher productivity, competitiveness and quality standards – always from the point of view of strengthening the link among members of the oilseeds & oil palm value chain.

1.2. Does your organization 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

ANIAME is promoting the National Interpretation of RSPO Principles and Criteria for Mexico. ANIAME is part or the task force created to elaborate this NI for Mexico, in order to adapt (tropicalize) all the RSPO principles and criteria to the national laws and regulations in our country.

ANIAME has also promoted the certification process of RSPO among several government authorities like the Ministry of Agriculture (to help small oil palm producers), the Ministry of Environment (to strenghten good practices in the oil palm cultivation and palm oil extraction) and the Ministry of Economy, through its General Direction of Standards (to promote the RSPO principle and criteria to be part of the Mexican standards related to the oil palm value chain).

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

50%

1.5. Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working groups/taskforces 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 CSPO?

Yes

If yes, please give details:

As their representative organization we are participating in the working group to elaborate the National Interpretation of RSPO Principles and Criteria for Mexico. This way ANIAME is trying to give palm oil industry players a better scheme to reach their RSPO certification.

If not, please explain why:

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1.7. How is your work on palm oil funded?

As an association all the work made by ANIAME is funded by fees paid by our members. As part of an anual budget approved by our Board of Directors.

Actions for Next Reporting Period

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2.1. Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil.

In 2018, ANIAME will continue to be part of the Mexican working group which is elaborating the National Interpretation of RSPO P&C for Mexico.

Also, we are promoting the creation of a National Standard based on RSPO P&C, with the help of some government agencies in order to support small oil palm producers, so they can reach certification as soon as possible, given the 2020 deadline offered by some of the big consumers of palm oil in Mexico and all over the world.

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Challenges

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?

As we mentioned before, one of the main problems to get the RSPO certification is that Mexico is composed of thousands of small oil palm growers. As a first solution we think having a NI for Mexico will help to deal with this challenge, as the NI is encouraged by the Ministry of Agriculture and it will créate a better environment to stablish a relationship between palm oil producers and these small oil palm growers or their organizations. Palm oil processors are also promoting this NI to have a better chance to reach their certification. ANIAME has in 2020, the date big palm oil users have established as a deadline.

2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP how has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets in other ways? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)

ANIAME is trying to involve the Mexican government agencies related to agribusiness production and care of the environment in order they adopt and promote RSPO principle and criteria as a way to reach a sustainable agriculture production in our country. We are trying to do this via MOUs between Mexican government agencies and RSPO or inviting them to be observers in the NI process or trying to include the RSPO approach in national standards. We think this is necessary to reach small oil palm growers, so they understand the significance to be certified in order to not be let aside of market requirements...

3 File -Please attach or add links to any other information from your organisation on your policies and actions on palm oil (EG: sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

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