

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

LEAP SPIRAL

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

6-0034-14-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Environmental or Nature Conservation 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?

LEAP Spiral initiates, develops and supports collaborative partnerships and projects in Malaysian Borneo that address restoration and protection of the land, its biodiversity and the indigenous people that live on it. Our main programme areas are biodiversity protection, forest and habitat restoration and protection, community-based conservation initiatives, species protection and renewable energy. We also facilitate and support the multi-sector Forever Sabah programme that seeks to transition the state of Sabah toward a diversified, equitable, circular economy. In all these areas, LEAP Spiral works to facilitate committed and open partnerships that enable habitats, species and cultures to thrive and to promote sustainable economic activities that place an equal value on income security, quality of life and the health of our shared ecosystems. We also work to create an atmosphere of openness and willingness to change across civil society, government and industry.

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?

LEAP Spiral initiated the Sabah 100% RSPO policy process through the Forever Sabah programme which we are facilitating. Forever Sabah is a Technical Adviser along with RSPO in the 3 Jurisdictional Certification Steering Committee (JCSC) and in August 2017, Forever Sabah convened a two-day workshop that involved over 50 representatives from government, industry, civil society and academia to design the Five Year Work Plan (2017-2020). In waiting for the Work Plan to be endorsed by the Sabah State Cabinet, work has started for several activities listed for year one through three working groups on Compensation - High Conservation Value; Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC); and Smallholders. Activities include preparing an integrated HCV-HCS map for Sabah; preparing the Sabah specific FPIC Guide and Operational Mechanism; and trialing the Sustainable Smallholder Communities programme in the Tongod, Telupid, Beluran and Kinabatangan districts. We have continued to support the JCSC in convening quarterly meetings and more recently in reporting these meetings; and in facilitating meetings and workshops related to specific work under the three working groups.

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

40%

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

No

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?

Primarily through grants.

2. Time-Bound Plan

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

2018

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.

2018

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.

Our focus in the coming year is to facilitate and support year one of activities for the Five Year Work Plan formulated for the Jurisdictional Certification Steering Committee (JCSC) to ensure Sabah is able to deliver on its pledge to fully certify its palm oil by 2025 based on RSPO standards. We are working closely with the JCSC co-chaired by the Sabah Forestry Department and Natural Resources Office in ensuring activities outlined for June 2017 to May 2018 is implemented. These include producing an integrated HCV-HCS map for Sabah; preparing and field testing the Sabah specific FPIC Guide and Operational Mechanism; trialing the Sustainable Smallholder Communities programme in Tongod, Telupid, Beluran and Kinabatangan; getting big industry mills to adopt their direct smallholder base and provide Best Management Practice (BMP) training; and to build capacity in oil palm BMP for the Sabah Agriculture Department.

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

File: --
Link: --

4.1.B Land use rights

File: --
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4.1.C Ethical conduct and human rights

File: --
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4.1.D Labour rights

File: --
Link: --

4.1.E Stakeholder engagement

File: --
Link: --

4.1.F None of the above

File: --

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?

File: --

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
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Other:

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
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Other:

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)

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