Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

ALDI International Services GmbH & Co. oHG

1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?

□ Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

Consumer Goods Manufacturers

🗹 Retailers

 $\hfill\square$ Banks and Investors

Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

- Affiliate Members
- □ Supply Chain Associate

1.3 Membership number

3-0041-11-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Ordinary

1.5 Membership sector

Retailers

Retailers

Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your main activities within the palm oil supply chain. Tick all that apply:

Wholesaler Retail Food service providers Cown-brand Third party brands Biofuels Other

Operations and Certification Progress

2.1 In which markets where you operate do you sell goods containing palm oil and oil palm products?

Australia, Austria, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Slovenia, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States

2.2 Do you have a system for calculating how much palm oil and palm oil products there is in the goods you sell?

Yes

2.3 Does this system cover your own-brand use of palm oil and oil palm products or all brands you sell?

Own brand only

2.4 In which markets where you operate do you calculate how much palm oil and oil palm product there is in the goods you sell?

Australia, Austria, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Slovenia, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States

2.5 Total volume of all palm oil and oil palm products in the goods sold in the year:

2.5.1 Total volume of Refined /Crude Palm Oil in the goods sold in the year

37116.00 Tonnes

2.5.2 Total volume of Crude and Refined Palm Kernel Oil in the goods sold in the year

4402.00 Tonnes

2.5.3 Total volume of Palm Kernel Expeller sold in the year

Tonnes

2.5.4 Total volume of other Palm-based Derivatives and Fractions used in the year

8076.00 Tonnes

2.5.5 Total volume of all palm oil and oil palm products in the goods sold in the year

49594.00 Tonnes

2.6 Volume of palm oil and oil palm products used in the year, in your own brand of products, that are RSPO-certified

No	Description	Crude and Refined Palm Oil (Tonnes)	Crude and Refined Palm Kernel Oil (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel Expeller (Tonnes)	Other palm-based derivatives and fractions (Tonnes)
2.6.1	Book & Claim				
2.6.2	Mass Balance	30423.00	4299.00		5617.00
2.6.3	Segregated	6465.00	103.00		2457.00
2.6.4	Identity Preserved	228.00			
2.6.5	Total volume	37116.00	4402.00		8074.00

2.7 Volume of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products purchased from other RSPO certified companies (tonnes)

No	Description	Crude and Refined Palm Oil (Tonnes)	Crude and Refined Palm Kernel Oil (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel Expeller (Tonnes)	Other palm-based derivatives and fractions (Tonnes)
2.7.1	Book & Claim	-	-	-	-
2.7.2	Mass Balance	-	-	-	-
2.7.3	Segregated	-	-	-	-
2.7.4	Identity Preserved	-	-	-	-
2.7.5	Total volume	-	-	-	-

2.8 What is the percentage of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products in the total volume handled by your company in the following regions:

Africa --% Australasia 14% Europe (incl. Russia) 71% North America 15% South America --% Middle East --% China --% India --% Indonesia --% Malaysia --% Rest of Asia --%

Time-Bound Plan

3.1 Year expected to start (or year started) using RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products, in your own brand of products

2011

3.2 Year expected to be (or already) using 100% RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products from any supply chain option in your own brand products

2015

3.3 Year expected to be using 100% RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products from physical supply chains (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) in your own brand products

2015

3.4 In which markets where you operate, do these commitments cover?

Australia, Austria, Germany, Ireland, Switzerland, United Kingdom

3.5 Does your company have a Time-Bound Plan to require the use of RSPO certified palm oil and oil palm products in the products you sell on behalf of other companies brands?

No

Trademark Related

4.1 Do you use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark on your own brand products?

Yes

4.2 Please state for which product range(s) and markets you intend to apply the Trademark and when you plan to start

We use the RSPO Trademark on products, on which we consider it to be appreciated by the consumer.

Actions for Next Reporting Period

5.1 Outline actions that you will take in the coming year to promote the use of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products along the supply chain

In order to promote the use of sustainable palm along the supply chain, we will further strengthen the communication on our palm goals and their importance. In addition, we will train our suppliers and business partners via dialogue and conferences in order to increase the availability of MB, SG and IP-certified derivatives and fractions. Further, we will continue to be an active member of the RSPO's Retailers Palm Oil Group.

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

6.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information, please indicate the reasons why

Other: The information and palm volumes reported cover all food products from ALDI SOUTH operations in Australia, Austria, Germany, Ireland, Switzerland and UK, as food is our main business.

We have achieved our 2015 goal to source all PO, PKO and D&F contained in our food products from physical supply chains. Exceptions are granted for some fractions which are not yet available in MB, SG or IP-certified form on the market (e.g. aromes). By the end of 2018, our food products in the United States, Slovenia and Hungary together with all of our non-food products worldwide will also contain PO and PKO sourced exclusively from RSPO-certified physical supply chains.

Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

7.1 Do you have organizational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C, such as:

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□ None of the above

7.2 What best practice guidelines or information has your organisation provided in the past year, to facilitate the uptake of RSPO certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products? What languages are these guidelines available in?

We have actively shared RSPO information on certification, challenges and solutions with our suppliers in order to achieve our international palm goal.

We have conducted supplier and ingredient-supplier surveys at global level in order to obtain concrete information about the availability of derivatives and fractions from physical supply chains and the challenges linked to their procurement. In this context, we have raised awareness on palm-related sustainability. We summarised the survey results and shared these with our suppliers.

To support transition to physical supply chains, we have compiled information on the availability of palm-based derivatives and fractions for our non-food products from physical supply chains in close coordination with representatives from the chemical industry and passed this information on to our suppliers.

All information is available in English and German.

GHG Emissions

8.1 Are you currently assessing your operational GHG emissions?

Yes

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8.2 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations?

Yes

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Support Smallholders

9.1 Are you currently supporting any independent smallholder groups?

Yes

9.2 If yes, how are you supporting them?

We at ALDI SOUTH believe that market transformation is not possible without smallholder inclusion, as they produce a significant share of the palm globally traded. Especially Independent Smallholders play a central role in this context and require particular support. With regards to the supply chain, ALDI SOUTH as a retailer is very far removed from plantations - especially from smallholders. Nevertheless, ALDI SOUTH has developed an approach to include smallholders. This approach is based on three pillars: • We have purchased 400 Independent Smallholder Credits (PO and PKO) for this year via the RSPO PalmTrace platform in order to value smallholders' work. • Collaboration with the RSPO on the topic (Smallholder WG, input for different approaches and initiatives). • Support of a smallholder project, focussing on additional criteria.

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?

We have been working with various supply chain actors to meet our 2015 food goal. In each country where we operate, we engage with business partners, certification bodies and other key stakeholders in order to support market transformation towards 100% certified sustainable palm. However, the complexity of the supply chain, especially for derivatives and fractions in non-food products, leads to low availability of MB/SG/IP-certified derivatives and fractions. In addition, the origin of some derivatives is not always clear due to mixed feedstocks (e.g. palm-based or coconut-based). Another challenge is achieving a balance between effort and impact for the transition of the smallest quantities. Some manufacturers only use small amounts of palm oil and therefore it is a burden for them to obtain the audits required for RSPO certification (CoC). On behalf of the RSPO, we would highly appreciate a (more) pragmatic approach and clear guidance in order to tackle the main challenges with regards to derivatives and fractions in non-food products and smallholders. In addition, a stronger RSPO presence the US market and a greater level of market information on this would be beneficial for global market transformation. We are in close exchange with actors of the supply chain and experts for all of these topics in order to mitigate these obstacles.

2 How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)

Beyond smallholder engagement and the pro-active exchange with the RSPO, our suppliers and their raw material suppliers, we are an active member of the Retailer Palm Oil Traceability Coalition (RPOTC). As a group of leading retailers, the RPOTC collaborates to obtain greater transparency of information relating to the sustainability performance of our global supply chains in order to incentivise faster progress towards a sustainable palm oil industry. With this objective, RPOTC engages with major palm oil companies in our supply chains in order to obtain information on a number of topics including: - The scope of their policies - The themes addressed in these policies (such as deforestation, peat, smallholder engagement, sustainable agriculture, etc.) - Their progress and quality of implementation against their policies. - Specific assessment criteria which go beyond RSPO requirements in order to improve sustainability of palm supply chains.

3 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

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