Oxfam International

Particulars

Organisation Name	Oxfam International http://www.oxfam.org/en/grow			
Corporate Website Address				
Primary Activity or Product	Social NGO			
Related Company(ies)	Company	Primary Activity	RSPO Member	
	Oxfam Novib	Social NGO	No	
Country Operations	Afghanistan, Angola, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, the Democratic Republic of the, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, East Timor, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lao, People's Democratic Republic, Malawi, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, United Republic of, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, United States, Vietnam, Yemen, Zimbabwe			
Membership Number	7-0001-04-000-00			
Membership Type	Ordinary Members			
Membership Category	Social and Developmental NGOs			

Social and Developmental NGOs

Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organization?

Oxfam is an international confederation of 17 organizations networked together in more than 90 countries, as part of a global movement for change, to build a future free from the injustice of poverty. We work with others, including private sector, local civil society organisations and communities to ensure that poor people can improve their lives and livelihoods and have a say in decisions that affect them.

1.2 Does your organization use and/or sell any palm oil?

Yes

1.3 Activities undertaken to promote sustainable palm oil, the RSPO and/or members in the reporting period

Oxfam has taken a leadership role in the RSPO Executive Board, the Complaints Panel and the RT11 conference. In addition, Oxfam has been very active in the establishment of the Dispute Settlement Facility and participating in the P&C Review Taskforce.

Specifically, in follow up to the review, Oxfam took the co-lead of the Human Rights working group to facilitate that RSPO and RSPO members fulfil the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, also known as the Ruggie Framework of "Protect, Respect, Remedy".

1.4 Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working groups/taskforces in the reporting period?

Yes

If yes, please explain how:

- Board of Governors
- Human Rights working group
- P&C Review Taskforce
- Standing Committee Communications
- Complaints Panel
- DSF steering committee

1.5 Do you have any collaborations with the industry players/private sector to support them in the market transformation towards CSPO?

Yes

If yes, please explain how:

Inside the RSPO, in addition to the participation in the Communications and Claims standing committee, Oxfam occasionally engages private sector member of the RSPO, including the Netherlands Product Board. Outside the RSPO, Oxfam has been successfully advocating the ten biggest global brand companies hrough its Behind the Brands campaign and scorecard to adopt land and climate policies in support of the RSPO mission.

1.6 What percentage of your organizations overall activities focus on palm oil?

0-10

1.7 How is your work on palm oil funded?

Funding Oxfam's palm oil work is a continuous challenge. Oxfam has been using its own generic programme funds provided by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, plus external funds from donors through our Scaling Up Sustainable Palm Oil project (SUSPO): the Ford Foundation and the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Time-Bound Plan

2.1 Date started or expect to start participating in RSPO working groups/taskforces

2004

2.2 Date expected to undertake and publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification and/or good standing RSPO members
2004
2.3 What are your interim milestones towards achieving your commitments to promote sustainable palm oil (the production /uptake od CSPO)?
N/A
2.4 Which countries that your institution operates in do the above commitments cover?
Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, United Kingdom, United States
Actions for Next Reporting Period
3.1 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil along the supply chain
Oxfam will continue its work in particular in the Board of Governors, the Human Rights Working Group. Dispute Settlement Facility and Complaints Panel.
Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information
4.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why
- Other reason:

Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors
5.1 Do you have organizational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C, such as:
■ Water, land, energy and carbon footprints■ Land Use Rights
■ ec ■ Labour rights
■ Stakeholder engagement
- If none of the above, please specify if/when you intend to develop one

5.2 What steps will your organization take to realize ethical conduct in business-applicable regulations and industry practices?

5.3 What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided to facilitate production and consumption of sustainable palm oil? What languages are these guidelines available in?
5.4 Has your company supported any community programmes, related to palm oil, on its own or through partnerships? How do you benchmark the impacts of these programmes?

5.4 Has your organization partnered with any RSPO members in the implementation of or benchmarking against the Principles and Criteria?		
Yes		
- No Please explain why:		



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?

RSPO is challenged to reflect the better practices of the sector on new plantings, notably with regards to deforestation and zero-tolerance to land grabs.

2 How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?

Cost Effective:
Yes
Robust:
Yes
Simpler to Comply to:
similar
3 How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)
 Briefing Paper on FAIR company-community partnerships: http://www.oxfam.org/en/grow/research/fair-company-community-partnerships-palm-oil-development <u>Click here to visit the URL</u> Behind the Brands campaign; http://www.oxfam.org/en/grow/campaigns/behind-brands <u>Click here to visit the URL</u>
4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information):