

## Particulars

### About Your Organisation

#### 1.1 Name of your organization

Itochu Corporation

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#### 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

2-0034-06-000-00

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#### 1.4 Membership category

Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

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#### 1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

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**Processor and/or Trader****1. Operational Profile**

1.1 Please state your main activity(ies) within the palm oil supply chain. Please select the option(s) that apply to you

- Refiner of CPO and PKO  
 Trader with physical possession  
 Trader without physical possession  
 Palm kernel crusher  
 Food and non-food ingredients producer  
 Power, energy and biofuel  
 Animal feed producer  
 Producer of oleochemicals  
 Distributor and wholesaler  
 Other

Other:

**2. Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Use**

2.1 Please include details of all operations using palm oil owned and/or managed by the member and/or all entities that belong to the group.

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2.1.1 In which markets do you sell goods containing palm oil and oil palm products?

Japan

2.2 Volumes of palm oil and oil palm products

2.2.1 Total volume of crude and refined palm oil handled/traded/processed in the year (tonnes)

257,000.00

2.2.2 Total volume of crude and refined palm kernel oil handled/traded/processed in the year (tonnes)

20,000.00

2.2.3 Total volume of palm kernel expeller handled/traded/processed in the year (tonnes)

0.00

2.2.4 Total volume of other palm-based derivatives and fractions handled/traded/processed in the year (tonnes)

0.00

2.2.5 Total volume of all palm oil and oil palm products used in the year (tonnes)

277,000.00

**2.3 Volumes of palm oil and oil palm products certified**

Description	Crude and Refined Palm Oil	Crude and Refined Palm Kernel Oil	Palm Kernel Expeller	Other palm-based derivatives and fractions
2.3.1 RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	-	-	-	-
2.3.2 RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	-	-	-	-
2.3.3 Mass Balance (MB)	2713.61	29.97	-	3005.86
2.3.4 Segregated (SG)	-	-	-	-
2.3.5 Identity Preserved (IP)	-	-	-	-
2.3.6 Total volume (tonnes)	2713.61	29.97	-	3005.86

**2.4 Volume sold in the year that is RSPO-certified (tonnes):**

Description	Crude and Refined Palm Oil	Crude and Refined Palm Kernel Oil	Palm Kernel Expeller	Other palm-based derivatives and fractions
2.4.1 Mass Balance (MB)	-	-	-	-
2.4.2 Segregated (SG)	-	-	-	-
2.4.3 Identity Preserved (IP)	-	-	-	-
2.4.4 Total volume (tonnes)	-	-	-	-

**2.4.5 How much RSPO-certified products have you sold under other schemes (tonnes)?**

0.00

**2.4.6 How much RSPO-certified products have you sold as conventional (tonnes)?**

0.00

**2.5 What is the percentage of Certified Sustainable Palm Oil in the total palm oil products sold by your company in the following regions:****2.5.1 Africa**

0%

**2.5.2 Oceania**

0%

**2.5.3 Europe**

0%

**2.5.4 North America**

0%

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**2.5.5 Latin America**

0%

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**2.5.6 Middle East**

0%

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**2.5.7 China**

0%

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**2.5.8 India**

0%

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**2.5.9 Indonesia**

0%

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**2.5.10 Malaysia**

0%

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**2.5.11 Rest of Asia**

2%

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**3. Time-Bound Plan**

**3.1 Year of first supply chain certification (planned or achieved).**

2013

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**3.2 Year started/expected to start to handle/trade/process any RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products.**

2013

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**3.2.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.**

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**3.3 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of all palm product processing facilities.**

2025

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**3.3.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.**

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**3.4 Year expected to only handle/trade/process 100% RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products**2025

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**3.4.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.**-

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**3.5 Which countries do these commitments cover?**Japan

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**3.6 How do you proactively promote RSPO and RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products to your customers?**

it depends on the customer's decision. Our interim milestones must be decided by the customers requirements. So we are introducing the system adn the policy of RSPO.

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**4. Trademark Use****4.1 Do you use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark on your own brand products?**No

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**4.2 Please select the countries where you use or intend to apply the Trademark**-

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**4.2.1 Please state the year when you began or plan to begin to apply the Trademark**-

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**4.3 Please explain why**

- Challenging reputation of palm oil
  - Confusion among end-consumers
  - Costs of changing labels
  - Difficulty of applying for RSPO Trademark
  - Lack of customer demand
  - Limited label space
  - Low consumer awareness
  - Low usage of palm oil
  - Risk of supply disruption
  - Others
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**Other:**

We don't have any retail brand product using palm oil.

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**5. Actions for Next Reporting Period**

**5.1 Outline activities that you will take in the coming year to promote the use of RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products along the supply chain.**

All of our suppliers are RSPO members and their refineries have the status of RSPO(IP/SG or MB).

We continuously ask the suppliers to make the supply chain sustainable and transparent by using RSPO system.

And we are going to promote the RSPO and explain the importance of the sustainable palm oil to the customers.

We have „Policy and Basic Concept,“ for sustainability in the value chain,

and support for the Sustainable Procurement of Palm Oil particularly as well.

We are planning to launch an upgraded and detailed Policy in FYE20.

Points of the upgrade will include actions we can take as a trader to contribute transparency and sustainability in Palm Oil supply chain.

Aim such as trading NDPE oils, securing traceability in the supply chain complexity and selecting suppliers complied with human rights policies.

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**6. Non-Disclosure of Information**

**6.1 Information in the sections above are mandatory declarations in your ACOP. For confidentiality purposes, members may choose not to display volume data in Section 2 publicly; however, RSPO reserves the right to utilise the member's data on an aggregate basis for sectoral and total analysis. Please check this box if the member chooses to have the data in Section 2 displayed publicly.**

Yes - Display Publicly

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**7. Application of Principles & Criteria for all member sectors**

**7.1 Regarding your company's sourcing, handling or trading, do you have organisational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C? Select all relevant options.**

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**7.1.A Water, land, energy and carbon footprints**

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**7.1.B Land use rights**

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**7.1.C Ethical conduct and human rights**

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**7.1.D Labour rights**

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**7.1.E Stakeholder engagement**

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**7.1.F None of the above. Please explain why.**

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**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?**

As mentioned in 5.1, we have „Policy and Basic Concept,“ for sustainability in the value chain, and Support for the Sustainable Procurement of Palm Oil particularly as well.

We are planning to launch an upgraded and detailed Policy in FYE20.

[https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/society/value\\_chain/index.html](https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/society/value_chain/index.html)

We believe it is important to acquire the understanding and cooperation of our suppliers for our procurement policies. Accordingly, we stipulated that new suppliers must be notified of ITOCHU Sustainability Action Guidelines for Supply Chains in advance when engaging in business with them. We are deepening communication on our sustainability policy in this way.

All the Policies and Guidelines are available in English and Japanese.

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**8. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Footprint****8.1 Are you currently reporting any GHG footprint?**

Yes

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**8.1.1 Please upload your publicly available GHG report**

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Link: <https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/environment/management/index.html>

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**8.1.2 OR please insert the URL to the GHG section of your corporate website.**

Link: <https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/environment/management/index.html>

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**8.2 Please explain and justify why you are not calculating your GHG footprint. Please include any future plans you may have to calculate your GHG footprint.**

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**8.3 What methodology are you using to calculate your GHG footprint?**

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**9. Support for Oil Palm Smallholders****9.1 Are you currently supporting any oil palm Independent Smallholder groups?**

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**9.2 How are you supporting them?**

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**9.2.1 Do you have any future plans to support oil palm Independent Smallholders?**

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**9.2.2 If yes, when do you plan to start your support for oil palm Independent Smallholders?**

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**10. Challenges**

**10.1 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

**Other:**

To ensure that sustainable procurement can be carried out consistently in consideration of human rights and environmental conservation, ITOCHU Corporation makes notice of its Sustainability Action Guidelines for Supply Chains to its suppliers and undertakes regular communications with them on sustainable procurement through fact-finding surveys and other activities. As a trader, our involvement in the Palm Oil supply chain is limited to the intermediary business and therefore the conditions are decided by customers.

Our obstacle for increasing the demand of CSPO in Japan would be mainly the cost, as still the customers paying the premium for RSPO SG/MB are not enough in Japan.

In order to pay attention to the sustainable palm oil, we are supporting to provide the information to the market regarding the importance of sustainability in the palm oil industry. For example, we have been involving with the Certified Palm Oil Procurement Committee for the 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games through the activity as Japan Oil & Fat Importers & Exporters Association (JOFIEA). We are supporting the movement for sustainable palm oil in Japan and contributing to a long term spread of sustainable palm oil. As a result, we managed to increase trade volume of CSPO/ RSPO in 2018 by 590% compares to 2017.

In the future, we will strive to establish a structure in which we can closely cooperate with stakeholders such as suppliers, customers, various certification bodies, etc., in order to achieve the goal of 100% handling of RSPO or equivalent certified palm oil by 2025.

**10.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP how has your organisation supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets in other ways?**

- 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

**Other:**

**10.3 Please attach or add links to any other information from your organisation on your policies and actions on palm oil**

Other Policies (Please see „ESG Report,“)

<https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/index.html>

Action Plan

<https://www.itochu.co.jp/en/csr/itochu/activity/actionplan/index.html>

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