

## Particulars

### About Your Organisation

#### 1.1 Name of your organization

Sociedad Industrial Dominicana

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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

2-0307-12-000-00

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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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**Grower****1. Operational Profile**

1.1 Please state your main activities as a palm oil grower:

- Oil palm grower without palm oil mill
  - Oil palm grower with palm oil mill
  - Oil palm grower with palm oil mill and palm kernel crushing plant
  - Smallholder Group Manager
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**2. Operations and Certification Progress**

2.1 Land area controlled and managed associated to palm oil

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2.1.1 Please state the number of palm oil estates controlled or managed

N/A

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2.1.2 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - planted (hectares)

N/A

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2.1.3 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - unplanted (hectares)

N/A

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2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas (hectares)

N/A

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2.1.5 Other conservation areas set aside excluding HCV areas reported in 2.1.4

N/A

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2.1.6 Total land under Scheme/Plasma smallholders certified (hectares)

N/A

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2.1.7 Total land under Scheme/Plasma smallholders uncertified (hectares)

N/A

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2.1.8 Total land area controlled/managed for oil palm cultivation

N/A

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2.2 Certification progress:

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2.2.1 Number of management units certified under RSPO P&C Certification

N/A

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**2.2.2 Total certified area under RSPO P&C Certification**N/A

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**2.3 In which countries are your estates located?**

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**2.3.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)**-

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**2.3.2 Malaysia - Please indicate which state(s)**-

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**Other:**Dominican Republic

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**2.4 New plantings and development (excluding replanting):**

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**2.4.1 New area planted in this reporting period (hectares)**N/A

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**2.4.2 Did you submit any New Planting Procedures (NPP) notifications to RSPO this year?**N/A

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**2.4.2.1 For plantings undertaken in this reporting period, have NPPs been submitted previously?**N/A

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**2.4.2.2 How many NPP notifications have been submitted to RSPO during this reporting period?**N/A

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**2.4.2.3 Please explain why NPP notifications have not been submitted to RSPO for the year or in the previous year for plantings undertaken in this reporting period?**N/A

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**2.5 Supply of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)**

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**2.5.1 Please choose from the list below if you have smallholders and/or outgrowers as part of your supply base?**

- Scheme/Plasma smallholders
  - Independent smallholders
  - Outgrowers
  - Other third-party suppliers
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**2.5.2 Scheme/Plasma smallholder operations that supply your organisation:**

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**2.5.2.1 Scheme/Plasma Smallholder total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.2.2 Scheme/Plasma Smallholder FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.3 Independent smallholder operations that supply your organisation:**

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**2.5.3.1 Independent Smallholder Total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.3.2 Independent Smallholder FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.4 Outgrower operations that supply your organisation**

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**2.5.4.1 Outgrower total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.4.2 Outgrower FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.5 Other 3rd party supplier operations that supply your organisation**

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**2.5.5.1 Other 3rd Party Supplier total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.5.5.2 Other 3rd Party Supplier FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)**

N/A

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**2.6 Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) processing and production operations**

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**2.6.1 Number of palm oil mills operated**

N/A

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**2.6.2 Number of palm oil mills certified under RSPO P&C 2013**

N/A

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**2.6.3 Total hourly FFB processing capacity (tonne FFB/hr)**

N/A

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**2.7 Palm Kernel processing and production capacity**

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**2.7.1 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills operated**

N/A

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**2.7.2 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills certified under RSPO Supply Chain Certification (SCC)**

N/A

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**2.7.3 Total hourly kernel processing capacity (tonne PK/hr)**

N/A

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**3. Volume of RSPO-certified oil palm products**

**3.1 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified**

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**3.1.1 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Identity Preserved (IP)**

N/A

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**3.1.2 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Segregated (SG)**

N/A

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**3.1.3 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Mass Balance (MB)**

N/A

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**3.1.4 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Book and Claim (Credits)**

N/A

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**3.1.5 Total CSPO sold as RSPO-certified**

N/A

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**3.2 CSPO sold under other certification schemes**

N/A

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**3.3 CSPO sold as conventional**

N/A

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**3.4 Total CSPO**

N/A

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**3.5 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified**

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**3.5.1 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Identity Preserved (IP)**

N/A

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**3.5.2 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Segregated (SG)**

N/A

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**3.5.3 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Mass Balance (MB)**

N/A

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**3.5.4 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified**

N/A

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**3.6 CSPK sold under other certification schemes**

N/A

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**3.7 CSPK sold as conventional**

N/A

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**3.8 Total CSPK**

N/A

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**4. Time-Bound Plan**

**4.1 Year of first RSPO P&C certification (planned or achieved)**

2021

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**4.2 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of estates and mills.**

2021

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

Because the implementation of P & C in the plantations of Induspalma was still missing, as:

Conduct study on soil use and conservation  
Update LUCA

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**4.3 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of Scheme/Plasma/Associated smallholders and Outgrowers.**

2021

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

we do not have smallholders.

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**4.4 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification for all FFB, regardless of source.**

2021

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

We do not have FFB, regardless of the source.

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**5. Concession Map****5.1 With regards to RSPO General Assembly resolution 6G that calls for members to submit maps of their concessions by ACOP deadline, please upload your estate location concession map(s) in Shapefile format.**

Uploaded

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**5.2 You hereby declare that map data submission represents 100% of an oil palm growers' concession sites (both RSPO certified and uncertified)**

Yes

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**5.3 Please state if any concession sites have been recently acquired or if any concession sites have changed ownership since the previous ACOP submission.**

We have not recently acquired concession sites, nor has ownership changed since the presentation of the previous ACOP

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**6. GHG Footprint****6.1 Are you currently assessing your operational GHG footprint using the RSPO PalmGHG Calculator?**

Yes

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**6.1.1 Please upload your publicly available report**

File: [Emisiones de CO2.pdf](#)

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

Link: [www.mercasid.com.do](http://www.mercasid.com.do)

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**6.1.2 What method are you currently using to assess your operational GHG footprint?**

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**6.2 GHG footprint****6.2.1 What is the average GHG footprint by - hectare (tCO2e/ha)?**

242.02

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**6.2.2 What is the average GHG footprint by - tonne of crude palm oil (tCO2e/tCPO)?**

27.16

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**6.3 What would be the key emission sources identified?**

Kg CO2 Electric Power Consumption  
Kg CO2 Fuel Consumption  
Emissions use Fuel and Energy (Kg CO2) -Planta  
Emissions use Fuel and Energy (Kg CO2) -El Valle  
Kg CO2 / Ton. Prod.-Plant

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**6.4 What measures are currently being taken to reduce GHG emissions?**

Production planning  
improvement and modification of boilers for biomass use  
Biofuel generator project  
improvement of transport route

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**7. Actions for Next Reporting Period****7.1 Outline activities that you will undertake in the coming year to advance your certification efforts.**

Perform internal internal audit with our MercaSID client in SCC-RSPO traceability  
Evaluate the performance of the certification audit in SCC-RSPO for the extraction plant.  
Update manual of local interpretation of P & C RSPO for Induspalma.  
Evaluate approach and meeting with stakeholders based on the RSPO standard of P & C  
Evaluate the social study update of the Stakeholders  
Evaluate study update and evaluation of Environmental Impacts.  
Evaluate the realization of the study of use and conservation of soils.  
Evaluate LUCA update

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**7.2 Outline activities that you will undertake in the coming year to promote CSPO along the supply chain.**

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Promote RSPO and RSPO Certification issues for our entire supply chain through:

Motivation plan for suppliers indicated by 2021, final date to receive non-certified palm oil.  
ACOP progress communication  
A compliance report twice a year for the Dominican Ministry of the Environment.  
Meetings and review of the traceability protocol with our client  
MERCASID  
Internal bulletin: " our people "  
Internal magazine " SID informs "  
COP-UN Progress Report

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**8. Non-Disclosure**

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No - Redact volume data

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

No

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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?**

No

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**9.2.2 When do you plan to start supporting 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:**

,Äç Low prices for the purchase of palm oil.  
,Äç Low prices for the purchase of certified palm oil.

**10.2 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?**

- 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 add links to any other information from your organisation on your policies and actions on palm oil:**

[www.gruposid.com.do](http://www.gruposid.com.do)  
[www.mercasid.com.do](http://www.mercasid.com.do)

**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

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**Other:**

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**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.**

MERCASID (REF):

MercaSID is a company dedicated to the fat and oils manufacturing (crushing, bleaching, refining and deodorization) and marketing of products derived from oil palm, with one kernel crushing plant. Process: Refining of certified palm oil and palm kernel oil and production of Refined Bleached Deodorized Olein (RBDPOL), Refined Bleached Deodorized Stearin (RBDS, and specialty vegetable fats and margarines kitchen and industrial, Model MB.

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

Dominican Republic

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**2.2 Volumes of palm oil and oil palm products**

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

**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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.3.2 RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.3.3 Mass Balance (MB)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.3.4 Segregated (SG)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.3.5 Identity Preserved (IP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.3.6 Total volume (tonnes)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**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)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.4.2 Segregated (SG)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.4.3 Identity Preserved (IP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.4.4 Total volume (tonnes)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

**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%

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**2.5.4 North America**

0%

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**2.5.5 Latin America**

100%

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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**

0%

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**3. Time-Bound Plan**

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

2016

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

2016

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

Since 2016 Certified by Control Union Cert No. CU-RSPO SCC 845373  
 2018: -Update SCC-RSPO-a drivers-contractor-SIDPORT  
 2018: sale of RSPO certified products to PepsiCo and Unilever customers in the Dominican Republic.  
 2018-2019: recertified in SCC-RSPO by Control Union Cert No. CU-RSPO SCC 845373

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

2021

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

Because our main supplier of palm oil (Induspalma Dominicana) is in the process of being certified on the principles and criteria of the RSPO standard for 2021.

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

2021

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

Because our main supplier of raw palm oil (Induspalma Dominicana) is in the process of being certified on the RSPO standard and criteria for 2021. so we can not have 100% RSPO certified products.

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

Dominican Republic

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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?**

Motivation plan for suppliers indicated by 2021, final date to receive non-certified palm oil.  
ACOP communication of progress  
An environmental compliance report twice a year for the Dominican Ministry of the Environment.  
Discovery traceability protocol for the MERCASID provider  
Internal bulletin: " our people "  
Internal magazine " SID informs "  
Annual Progress Report -COP-UN

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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:**

Because the RSPO certified products sold are shipped in bulk.

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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.**

Motivation plan for our suppliers and customers indicating that in 2021 is the final date to receive and sell non-certified palm oil.  
ACOP communication of progress  
shipment of disclosure traceability protocol for MERCASID's suppliers and large clients  
Internal bulletin: " our people "  
Internal magazine " SID informs "  
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No - Redact volume data

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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**

File: [POLITICA-CORP.GRUPO-SID-.pdf](#)

Link: Prevent the negative impacts that our environmental aspects can generate, in a very special way, atmospheric emissions, wastewater, solid waste, hazardous substances, noise, consumption of natural resources and possible accidental spills. Promote the sustainable use of resources and the protection of biodiversity, as well as contribute to the fight against climate change, promoting respect for the natural environment.

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**7.1.B Land use rights**

File: [Politica de Sostenibilidad Grupo SID.pdf](#)

Link: Promote the sustainable use of resources and the protection of biodiversity, as well as contribute to the fight against climate change, promoting respect for the natural environment.

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

File: [Politica de Sostenibilidad Grupo SID.pdf](#)

Link: Adopt practices based on ethical work, transparent, honest and mutual trust with stakeholders. Respect, promote and protect human rights, inside and outside the organization, rejecting any form of abuse or violation of the same among employees, suppliers, contractors, collaborators, partners, competitors or society in general, promoting the effective equalization of opportunities. Respect the reproductive rights of all, especially women, and reject the hiring of child or forced labor. Energetically combat harassment and any form of discrimination based on race, nationality, religion, disability, gender, sexual orientation, that threatens good behavior or endangers the physical and moral integrity of employees, customers, visitors and neighbors.

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**7.1.D Labour rights**

File: [Politica de Sostenibilidad Grupo SID.pdf](#)

Link: Allowing workers to organize themselves and create spaces for dialogues with the governing bodies, in which respect, tolerance and the permanent search for a favorable working environment for the achievement of economic and social objectives in the organization should prevail. Safeguarding, in the most practical way possible, the bisestar of those people who work visit and live near our operations centers, as well as prevent losses due to accidents related to people, structures and materials.

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**7.1.E Stakeholder engagement**File: [Política de Sostenibilidad Grupo SID.pdf](#)

Link: Adopt practices based on ethical work, transparent, honest and mutual trust with stakeholders. Comply with the legal requirements and other commitments that the organization subscribes. Continuously improve the practices of the organization, with regard to environmental management, social, operational, occupational safety and health, economic and financial viability.

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

N/A

**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?**

Protocolo trazabilidad de aceite palma proveedores MercaSID- Spanish  
Formulario de Trazabilidad de Aceite de Palma- Spanish  
Trazabilidad de Proveedores MercaSID- Spanish  
PO Traceability Form- English

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

Yes

**8.1.1 Please upload your publicly available GHG report**File: [GHG-Emissions-MercaSID-2018.pdf](#)

Link: --

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

Link:

**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?**

Greenhouse Gas Protocol and Greenhouse Gases Equivalencies Calculator - Calculations and References  
LINK: Greenhouse Gases Equivalencies Calculator - Calculations and References

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

No

**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?**

No

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

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- Reputation of RSPO in the market
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- Research & Development support
- Stakeholder engagement
- Others

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<http://mercasid.com.do/en/>  
<http://gruposid.com.do/en/>