Particulars

About Your Organisation

.1 Name of your organization
ITZ
.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?
☐ Oil Palm Growers
☐ Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders
☐ Consumer Goods Manufacturers
☐ Retailers
☐ Banks and Investors
Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
☐ Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
☐ Affiliate Members
☐ Supply Chain Associate
.3 Membership number
-0008-08-000-00
.4 Membership category
Ordinary
.5 Membership sector
Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

Social and Developmental NGOs

Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organization?

UTZ stands for sustainable farming and better opportunities for farmers, their families and our planet. The UTZ certification programs for coffee, cocoa, tea and hazelnut enable farmers to learn better farming methods, improve working conditions and take better care of their children and the environment.

UTZ partners with other organizations and standards, in the fields of standard development, traceability and supply chain analysis. UTZ provides RSPO with the traceability, certified member registration and certification management system RSPO PalmTrace.

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

No

1.3 Activities 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.

UTZ is the traceability service provider for the RSPO.

In 2012 UTZ launched the traceability system RSPO eTrace, for

RSPO members to record the physical trade of certified palm oil, and by RSPO accredited certification bodies to report audits and certifications.

In 2016 the RSPO PalmTrace system was developed to replace eTrace. This system, that includes new functionalities for members to manage credit trade under the RSPO Book and Claim supply chain model, has come into place on the 1st of January 2017. Moreover, as of mid 2016, RSPO members can manage their sources of conventional oil contributing to their MB purchases. A list of all the mills in the world, with unique identifiers, is included in PalmTrace and is continuously updated. This functionality is also leveraged to provide RSPO members information on their non- RSPO certified supply base.

Trainings to members and CBs have been and are constantly provided.

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

11%

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

Yes

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?

Through a volume based fee for transactions in PalmTrace.

Time-Bound Plan

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

2011

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.

2007

Actions for Next Reporting Period

3.1 Outline actions that you will take in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil along the supply chain

During 2017, UTZ will integrate the CRM data processes of RSPO from SalesForce, into RSPO PalmTrace.

This is expected to show improvements in member registration and management of member accounts.

In addition, data extraction from the audit reports by accredited CBs will be improved by merging including the questions RSPO PalmTrace license process of certified members. This will facilitate the use of data by enabling the extraction of information, to be used for M&E and assurance purposes.

Following the developments of the RSPO standard, RSPO PalmTrace will also enable the handling of RSPO NEXT credits in the system from the 1st of April onwards.

GHG Emissions

4.1 Are you currently assessing the GHG emissions from your operations?
Yes
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4.2 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations?
No
Please explain why
UTZ compensates for the CO2 emissions of the flights that its staff take to carry out their work, and for the energy consumed in the HQ in Amsterdam.
The report generated by the partner that cooperates with UTZ on this topic is currently under evaluation of the UTZ Executive Team, therefore it cannot be shared yet.
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
☑ Labour rights
☐ Stakeholder engagement
☐ None of the above
5.2 What best practice guidelines or information has your organization 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?
UTZ has developed a set of trainings and documentation for RSPO members and certification bodies on the use of the traceability system RSPO PalmTrace. These include materials to support the inclusion of Book and Claim in RSPO PalmTrace, specifically developed for independent smallholder groups, mills, crushers and credit buyers. UTZ provides training material in English, Spanish, Bahasa Indonesia, Bahasa Malaysia and Thai. UTZ will continue providing instructions, manuals and trainings for all new functionalities available in RSPO PalmTrace.
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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?

N/A

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)

UTZ's mission is to make sustainable farming the norm. We do this in the commodities that are part of our own program, but also by promoting sustainable farming everywhere we are active.

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

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