

## Particulars

<b>Organisation Name</b>	Vereniging voor de Bakkerij- en Zoetwarenindustrie (VBZ)
<b>Corporate Website Address</b>	<a href="http://www.vbz.nl">www.vbz.nl</a>
<b>Related Company(ies)</b>	None
<b>Country Operations</b>	Netherlands
<b>Membership Number</b>	8-0132-12-000-00
<b>Membership Type</b>	Affiliate Members
<b>Membership Category</b>	Organisations

## Affiliate Members / Supply Chain Associate

### Operational Profile

#### 1. What are the main activities of your organisation?

VBZ is the Association of the Dutch Bakery and Confectionery industry. With our services VBZ aspires to create a sustainable and optimal climate for the members.

VBZ is the spokesman for the Dutch bakery and confectionery industry. Here fore we maintains relationships with the Dutch Government, NGO's, the association of the Dutch Food Industry (FNLI), the European association of the Confectionery industry (Caobisco), the association of the Dutch retail organizations and labour organizations.

Actual examples includes social issues as child labour in the cacao industry, working conditions and the collective labour agreement for the confectionery industry. Other relevant issues are food quality and health & nutrition.

Furthermore, VBZ offers many tools to help her members. With risk reducing checklists, for example VBZ provides a tool to create a safe working environment and an optimal assurance package, other tools include a toolkit for sustainability, a toolkit for human resources, logistic efficiency, World Class Manufacturing and reformulation of products (less salt, saturated fat etc.).

At the website of VBZ members can freely download all the (actual) information VBZ provides for them. Finally, schooling programs which are made in agreement with the unions and are obliged, are available for a better performance of employers.

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

Promoting sustainable palm oil via VBZ member events, VBZ newsletter, direct contact with members and the VBZ sustainability toolkit (Barometer Duurzame Bakkerij en Zoetwaren).

Participating in the Dutch Taskforce Sustainable Palmoil: [www.taskforceduurzamepalmolie.nl](http://www.taskforceduurzamepalmolie.nl) [Click here to visit the URL](#)

Contact with suppliers and customers organisations and promoting sustainable palm oil.

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

Yes

#### If yes, please give details:

See the previous question

#### 4. What percentage of your organization's overall activities focus on palm oil?

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#### 5. How is your work on palm oil funded?

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### Actions for Next Reporting Period

#### 6. Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil.

Maintaining and reinforcing close cooperation with suppliers and customers organisations. Keeping close contact with our members and promote them to achieve 100% sustainable palm oil and helping them to solve problems that can obstruct this goal.

## 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?**

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

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**Cost Effective:**

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**Robust:**

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**Simpler to Comply to:**

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**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)**

See previous questions

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**4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information):**

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