

## Global Environment Centre

Name of the organisation : Global Environment Centre  
 Corporate website address : [www.gec.org.my](http://www.gec.org.my)

### Company Details

Membership number : 6-0005-04-000-00  
 Membership type : Ordinary Membership  
 Membership category : Environmental NGOs

Please TICK all business activities your organization is involved in, INCLUDING the primary MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY.

(Please note that you are required to complete the form for all categories you are involved in as well)  
 You are allowed to tick more than one sector

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What is the name of the entity or holding company that has management control over all palm oil related activities within the organization? Please note that this ACOP submitted is only for the entity and subsidiaries that are members of RSPO and not the holding company

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Is the holding company a RSPO Member?

Yes

Please name any sub of the organisations in oil palm or related activities. Please note that all of your subsidiary companies are also bound by RSPO code of conduct, and this ACOP should report on all of their activities & progress whether they are members or not [Name. Activities. RSPO Members (Y/N)?]

Global Environment Centre . Environment Conservation . yes | . .

Please indicate all the regions in which the member organisation and its subsidiaries for which you are completing this report operate in

| South East Asia | Malaysia | Indonesia

### Contacts

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## Related information

State your policy on palm oil (Please provide links, upload attachments or complete the text box)

Please provide links for reports that may be relevant to Sustainable Palm Oil.

Minimizing impacts of palm oil and biofuel production in SE Asia on peatlands, biodiversity and climate change through engagement of RSPO for promoting sustainable palm oil production. These are to be implemented in 3 ways:-

- a) Share information on the nature and impacts of development of peatlands for palm oil plantation on biodiversity and climate change and implications of biofuel production;
- b) Share experiences and best practices to minimize impacts and maintain production of oil palm plantations on peatlands; and
- c) Review options to rehabilitate degraded peatlands for production and conservation purposes.

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Palm oil related websites :

RSPO reporting period : July 2011 to June 2012

Date of submission : 23/8/2012

## Environmental NGOs

### Organisational profile:

When was your organisation established? : 1998

What are the main activities of your organisation?

The Global Environment Centre was established to work on environmental issues of global importance. The Centre is registered in Malaysia as a non-profit organization (Reg. no. 473058-T) but works regionally and internationally both directly and through many partners. It supports information exchange and capacity building as well as undertaking strategic projects particularly in developing countries. It works in partnership with other like-minded agencies worldwide.

Mission:-

To support the protection of the environment and sustainable use of the natural resources to meet local, regional and global needs, through strategic partnerships with communities and like-minded organisations.

Objectives:-

1. To promote integrated management of biodiversity and water resources with a focus on community involvement and biodiversity conservation.
2. To promote the protection and sustainable use of forests and wetlands with a focus on integrated management for biodiversity and climate change
3. To enhance awareness, understanding and capacity as well as partnerships between different organisations and sectors to address environmental issues.

GEC Programme Areas:-

- River Care Programme

- Peatland Programme
- Forest and Biodiversity Programme
- Outreach and Partnership Programme

How many people does your organisation employ (Full-time equivalent)? : 15 staff members

How many of these are working on palm oil (Full-time equivalent)? : 2 staff members

What is the total budget of your organisation in the reporting year? : RM 2.5 million

What were the main sources of this budget?

International funds from the Global Environment Facility and European Union

## Operations

Is your organization involved with the growth / production / manufacture / retailing / financing of palm oil and derived products?

No

Activities undertaken to promote sustainable palm oil in the reporting period:

As the Co-Chair of the RSPO-PLWG coordinated the working group activities, meetings, etc. to deliver the following study outputs:-

- A. A review identifying the main environmental and social impacts related to oil palm plantations on peatlands;
- B. A guideline for best management practices (BMP) for oil palm plantations on peat in order to minimize to minimize GHG emissions and enhance sustainability;
- C. Identification of practical methodologies that can be adopted by RSPO members to assess and monitor key GHG emissions that originate from oil palm plantations established on peat soils; and
- D. An evaluation of options and constraints for the rehabilitation of degraded peatlands. Options for converting oil palm plantations on peat soils to alternative sustainable land-uses, including the restoration of peatlands.

Do you have any collaborations with the industry players/private sector to support them in the market transformation towards RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil?

Yes

If yes please give details:

Collaborated/ networked with industry players/ private sectors during the various regional RSPO-PLWG meetings held to gather feedback/ information on best management practices of palm oil on peatlands.

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

0-10%

How is your work on palm oil funded?

International funds supporting projects on the sustainable management of peatlands i.e. Asean

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Peatland Forest Project supported by IFAD-GEF, and SEApeat Project supported by European Union.

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### **Targets for next reporting period**

Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote towards RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil

Printing and dissemination of the study reports mentioned above, plus developing training materials for implementation of best management practices for palm oil on peatlands.

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