

## Particulars

<b>Organisation Name</b>	Oxfam International
<b>Corporate Website Address</b>	http://www.oxfamnovib.nl
<b>Primary Activity or Product</b>	Social NGO
<b>Related Company(ies)</b>	None
<b>Country Operations</b>	Australia, Belgium, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, China - People's Republic of, Colombia, Congo - Democratic Republic, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, East Timor, Egypt, France, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mali, Mexico, Mozambique, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Tanzania, Timor Leste, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, USA, Vietnam, Zimbabwe
<b>Membership Number</b>	7-0001-04-000-00
<b>Membership Type</b>	Ordinary Members
<b>Membership Category</b>	Social and Developmental NGOs
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## Related Information

### Other information on palm oil:

The palm oil sector, if operating sustainably, can bring economic development especially at the national level. Operating irresponsibly, it brings poverty to local people, especially when their livelihoods depend on natural resources (land, water, forest) or on subsistence farming and these are lost to palm oil plantations. Also, if palm oil smallholders or workers are not treated fairly, this keeps them trapped in poverty. Moreover, land use changes contribute significantly to climate change and poor people are expected to suffer more from the consequences. A risk to the palm oil sector is the amount of land conflicts that the sectors actors are involved in.

Oxfam's engagement with the palm oil sector and RSPO fits the larger objectives of its GROW campaign on food security in a resource-constrained world. see: [Click here to visit the URL](#)

<b>Reporting Period</b>	01 July 2012 - 30 June 2013
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## Social and Developmental NGOs

### Operational Profile

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

Oxfam is an international confederation of 17 organizations networked together in more than 90 countries, as part of a global movement for change, to build a future free from the injustice of poverty. We work with others, including private sector, local civil society organisations and communities to ensure that poor people can improve their lives and livelihoods and have a say in decisions that affect them.

Find out how we work with others to end poverty and injustice, from campaigning to responding to emergencies: [Click here to visit the URL](#)

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#### 2. Does your organisation use and/or sell any palm oil?

Yes

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

Oxfam has taken a leadership role in the RSPO Executive Board, the Complaints Panel and the RT10 conference. In addition Oxfam has been very active in the establishment of the Dispute Settlement Facility and participating in the P&C Review Taskforce. Specifically, in the context of the review, Oxfam assessed the Human Rights systems that RSPO and RSPO members need to have to fulfil the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, also known as the Ruggie Framework of "Protect, Respect, Remedy".

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

Yes

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##### If yes, please explain how:

- P&C Review Taskforce
- Standing Committee Communications
- Complaints Panel

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

Yes

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##### If yes, please explain how:

In addition to the participation in the Communications and Claims standing committee, Oxfam occasionally engages private sector member of the RSPO, including the Netherlands Product Board.

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

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

Funding Oxfam's palm oil work has become a challenge. Oxfam puts in own generic programme funds provided by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and is actively looking for external donors through our Scaling Up Sustainable Palm Oil project (SUSPO). The Ford Foundation and the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs are providing funds in support of our EB work and the Dispute Settlement Facility.

## Time-Bound Plan

### 8. Date started or expect to start participating in RSPO working groups/taskforces

2004

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### 9. Date expected to undertake and publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification and/or good standing RSPO members

2004

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### 10. What are your interim milestones towards achieving your commitments to promote sustainable palm oil?

N/A

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### 11. Which countries that your institution operates in do the above commitments cover?

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## Actions for Next Reporting Period

### 12. Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil along the supply chain

Oxfam will continue its work in particular in the Executive Board, the Dispute Settlement Facility and the newly established Human Rights Working Group.

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## Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

### 13. If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why

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#### - Other reason:

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## Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

### 14. Do you have organisational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C

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#### - Energy and carbon footprints policy

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#### - Ethical conduct policy

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#### - Labour rights policy

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#### - Stakeholder engagement

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**14.1. If none of the above, please specify if/when you intend to develop one**

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**15. What steps will your organization take to realize ethical conduct in business-applicable regulations and industry practices?**

N/A

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**16. What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided to facilitate production and consumption of sustainable palm oil? What languages are these guidelines available in?**

N/A

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**17. Has your company supported any community programmes, related to palm oil, on its own or through partnerships? How do you benchmark the impacts of these programmes?**

Yes, Oxfam has been supporting civil society organisations working on palm oil issues, notably in Indonesia and globally.

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**18. Has your organization partnered with any RSPO members in the implementation of or benchmarking against the Principles and Criteria?**

No

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## Challenges

### 1. Significant economic, social or environmental obstacles

N/A

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

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#### Cost Effective:

Yes

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#### Robust:

Yes

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#### Simpler to Comply to:

Yes

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### 3. How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets?

Oxfam continues to engage the various stakeholder categories that individually and collectively can drive positive change in the sector.

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