# HUTAN Kinabatangan Orang-utan Conservation Programme

## Particulars

#### **About Your Organisation**

#### 1.1 Name of your organization

HUTAN Kinabatangan Orang-utan Conservation Programme

#### 1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?

□ Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

- Consumer Goods Manufacturers
- Retailers
- $\hfill\square$  Banks and Investors
- Social or Development Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
- Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)
- □ Affiliate Members
- □ Supply Chain Associate

#### 1.3 Membership number

6-0025-13-000-00

#### 1.4 Membership category

Ordinary

#### 1.5 Membership sector

Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

## **Environmental and Conservation NGOs**

#### **Operational Profile**

#### 1.1 What are the main activities of your organization ?

HUTAN is a grassroots non-profit organization working to build innovative approaches to conserve the orang-utan and other wildlife populations in the forests of Sabah, Malaysian Borneo. In 1998, Hutan set up the Kinabatangan Orang-Utan Conservation Programme (KOCP) as a collaboration between the Lower Kinabatangan community and the Sabah Wildlife Department. Today our team is composed of 52 highly skilled staff hailing from the Orang Sungai community.

HUTAN-KOCP has faced many challenges over the past sixteen years, which have incited us to develop a holistic strategy combining long-term scientific research, wildlife and habitat protection and management, policy work, capacity building, education and awareness, as well as community outreach and development. We are now working with a wide range of partners - including communities, government agencies, research institutions, other NGOs and private stakeholders - to find realistic and localised solutions where the sustainable use of natural resources and durable socio-economic development can be compatible with long-term wildlife and habitat conservation.

#### 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.

We have supported the RSPO vision by engaging with our partners and funders via peer reviewed research papers, presentations, reports, conferences, meetings, workshops, discussions and press releases on the merits of CSPO and RSPO to improve the situation of those who work in plantations as well as for wildlife and the environment.

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

50%

#### 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?

We have not applied for specific funding for 'palm oil' work. However, all our work including research/studies and human - wildlife conflict which involves the palm oil landscape is funded via grants mostly from Foundations and Zoos in the United States, Europe and Australia.

#### **Time-Bound Plan**

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

2014

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.

2013

#### 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

1. Within the Kinabatangan landscape we have been working with mostly outgrowers to study orang-utans in secondary secondary forest.

2. We have been training with RSPO member Wilmar (PBB Oil) on wildlife assessment and management within Sabah, Malaysian Borneo.

3. We are part of the Malaysian Palm Oil Non Governmental Coalition (MPONGOC) which advocates for RSPO certification.

4. We are part of the Pongo Alliance to strengthen BMPs and assist in other initiatives which would lead to more sustainable production of oil palm while reducing damage to flora and fauna.

5. We are part of the Steering Committee in the Malaysian State of Sabah, which aims to achieve Statewide Jurisdictional output of CSPO by 2025.

#### **GHG Emissions**

4.1 Are you currently assessing the GHG emissions from your operations?

No

Please explain why

Not Applicable

#### 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:

 Energy and carbon footprints
Land Use Rights
Ethical Conduct
Labour rights Uploaded file: EN-Policies-to-PNC-laborrights.pdf
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?

These are peer reviewed articles published in journals which either directly or indirectly advocate for sustainable palm oil industry with RSPO as the minimum standard.

These are in English.

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Ancrenaz, M., Meijaard, E., Wich, S. and J. Simery. (2016). Palm oil paradox: sustainable solutions to save the great apes. UNEP/GRASP, Nairobi. 57 pp: http://www.un-grasp.org/videos-resources/publications/

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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?

Not Applicable

# 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)

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

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