Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Member Name

DekelOil

1.2 Membership number

1-0070-08-000-00

1.3 Membership sector

Oil Palm Growers

1.4 Membership category

Ordinary

1.5 Country

Cyprus

2.0 Does your company or organisation produce, process, consume or sell any palm oil or any products containing derivatives of palm oil?

Yes		

2.1 Please select all description(s) that describe the palm oil-related activities of your company or organisation. Multiple selections are allowed, and not limited to the primary sector of the member's RSPO membership. You will be required to complete the relevant ACOP section based on your selection(s).

- I own and operate oil palm estate(s) and/or palm oil mill(s)
- I represent a palm oil Independent Smallholder farmer Group
- I own and operate independent palm oil mills
- I own and operate independent palm kernel crushing plants
- I trade or broker palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products
- I am a refiner of palm oil or palm kernel oil
- I am a processor of intermediate (B2B) palm oil, palm kenel oil or related ingredients
- I am a B2B distributor or wholesaler of palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products
- I manufacture consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products. This includes products manufactured by 3rd party contractors.
- I retail consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products
- I operate food retail outlets that use palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products
- I support the sustainable development of the palm oil industry as a conservation and environmental NGO
- I support the sustainable development of the palm oil industry as a social and human development NGO

Grower

1. Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your company's main activities as a palm oil grower:

- Oil palm grower without palm oil mill
- Oil palm grower with palm oil mill
- Oil palm grower with palm oil mill and palm kernel crushing plant
- Independent palm oil mill
- Smallholder Group Manager

2. Operations and Certification Progrss

Information in Section 2.0 - Operations and Certification Progress - is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes hectarage data, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate certification of individual members, sectors and RSPO members as a whole. ACOP reports without reported hectarage data will be considered as incomplete and will not be accepted. Incomplete ACOP reports may lead to suspension or termination of RSPO membership.

2.1 Land area controlled and managed associated to palm oil

2.1.1 Please state the total number of palm oil estates, certified and uncertified, controlled or managed by the member

1

Land area controlled and managed associated to palm oil

Description	Hectares
2.1.2 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - planted and infrastructure (hectares)	1656.0
2.1.3 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - unplanted (hectares)	0.0
2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas (hectares)	0.0
2.1.5 Other conservation land set aside, excluding HCV areas reported in 2.1.4 (hectares)	0.0
2.1.6 Total land under scheme smallholders (hectares)	0.0
Total	1656.0

2.2 Certification progress

2.2.1 Number of management units certified under RSPO P&C Certification

0

2.2.2 Total certified land under the RSPO P&C Certification, excluding scheme smallholders (hectares)

0.0

2.2.2.1 Certification progress - land under RSPO P&C Certification, excluding scheme smallholders

0.00%

2.3 In which countries are your estates located?

2.3.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)

2.3.2 Malaysia - Please indicate which state(s)

2.3.3 Other - Please indicate which country/countries

Cote d'Ivoire

2.4 New plantings and development (excluding replanting)

2.4.1 How much new land was planted by your company during this reporting period (hectares)?

0.0

2.5 Supply of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)

2.5.1 Total FFB volume produced by estates managed or controlled by your company (tonnes)

15415.078

2.5.1.1 Total certified FFB volume produced by certified estates managed or controlled by your company (tonnes)

0.0

2.5.2 In addition to FFB produced by your company's estates, does your supply base include any of the following?

Scheme Smallholders

✓ Independent Smallholders

Outgrowers

✓ Other Third-Party Suppliers

2.5.3 Scheme smallholder operations that supply your operations:

2.5.3.1 Total FFB volume supplied by scheme smallholders (tonnes)

12212.0

2.5.3.2 Total certified FFB volume supplied by scheme smallholders (tonnes)

0.0

2.5.4 Independent smallholder operations that supply your operations:

2.5.4.1 Total FFB volume supplied by independent smallholders (tonnes)

41202.0

2.5.4.2 Total certified FFB volume supplied by independent smallholders (tonnes)

0.0

2.5.6 Other Third-party supplier operations that supply your operations:

2.5.6.1 Total FFB volume supplied by third-party suppliers (tonnes)

102518.0

2.5.6.2 Total certified FFB volume supplied by third-party suppliers (tonnes)

0.0

3. Palm Oil and Certified Palm Oil Production

Information in Section 3 - Palm Oil and Certified Palm Oil Production - is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes volume, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate production uptake on a member, sector and total level. ACOP reports without reported volume data will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted.

3.1 Total Crude Palm Oil produced (tonnes)

Countries/Regions	Tonnes
Malaysia	0.0
Indonesia	0.0
Latin America	0.0
Africa	34001.8
Rest of the World	0.0
Total	34001.8

3.2 CSPO sold as RSPO certified

Description	Tonnes
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.0
Segregated (SG)	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	0.0
RSPO Credits	0.0
Total	0.0

3.5 Total CSPO sold

Description	Tonnes
3.2 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified	0.0
3.3 CSPO sold under other certification schemes	0.0
3.4 CSPO sold as conventional	0.0
Total	0.0

3.6 According to the volume information you have provided in this questionnaire, CSPO represents the following percentage of your total CPO production

0.00%

3.8 Total Crude Palm Kernel produced (tonnes)

Countries/Regions	Tonnes
Malaysia	0.0
Indonesia	0.0
Latin America	0.0
Africa	2515.83
Rest of the World	0.0
Total	2515.83

3.9 CSPK sold as RSPO certified

Description	Tonnes
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.0
Segregated (SG)	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	0.0
Total	0.0

3.12 Total CSPK sold

Description	Tonnes
3.9 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified	0.0
3.10 CSPK sold under other certification schemes	0.0
3.11 CSPK sold as conventional	0.0
Total	0.0

3.13 According to the volume information you have provided in this questionnaire, CSPK represents the following percentage of your total CPK production

0.00%

4. TimeBound Plan

4.1 Which year did your company achieve (or plans to achieve) its first RSPO P&C certification?

2021

4.2 Which year did your company achieve (or plans to achieve) 100% RSPO certification for all its estates and mills?

2021

4.2.1 If the previous target year for G.4.2 has not been met, please explain why

We are in the year for our RSPO certification

4.3 Which year did your company achieve (or plans to achieve) 100% RSPO certification of scheme smallholders?

2024

4.3.1 If the previous target year for G.4.3 has not been met, please explain why

We are in the year of our RSPO certification programme. The 2024 deadline for small-scale producers is still in place and we are working to meet it.

4.4 Which year did your company achieve (or plans to achieve) 100% RSPO certification for all FFB, regardless of source?

2024

4.4.1 If the previous target year for G.4.4 has not been met, please explain why

The certification of all the company's schemes is closely linked to and dependent on the certification of the small-scale independent producers.

Therefore, respecting the established timetable (2021 for the P&C for the factory and its plantations and 2024 for the small independent producers) will allow us to have all our sources of diets RSPO certified by the end of 2024.

5. Concession Map

5.1 The RSPO General Assembly Resolution 6G (2013) calls for all members with Grower operations to submit maps of their concessions through ACOP. Has your company submitted concession maps to the RSPO in previous ACOP cycles?

Yes

5.2 Has your company acquired any new concession sites or have any concession sites changed ownership since the previous ACOP map submission?

No

6. GHG Footprint

6.1 What is the average GHG footprint for all certified management units by hectare (tCO2e/ha)?

0.0

6.2 What is the average GHG footprint for all certified management units per tonne of crude palm oil (tCO2e/tCPO)?

0.0 6.3 What are the key emission sources identified by your company in certified management units? ✓ Land use change Existing cultivation peatland Palm oil mill effluent (POME) Fertiliser application Others

Others

6.4 Does your company hav	e a baseline for GHG reporting?
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No

6.4.2 Please explain why your company does not have an existing baseline, and if it is planning to develop a baseline for GHG reporting?

However, the specificity of the DEKELOIL company being its supply base made up of approximately 90% of village plantations (independent planters, small producers, direct buyers and cooperatives), we have registered last year (2020) approximately twelve thousand users.

Indeed, these twelve thousand producers who delivered to our factory, we also have all the data requested by the palmGHG software through the files that can be downloaded in the different tabs. However, the difficulty we are encountering is to fill in all this data.

We wanted and wrote to GHG Unit that when adding a producer, we should be allowed to import directly the file of twelve thousand producers with all the required information so as to avoid entering all this data manually and one by one.

Unfortunately we could not get a favourable answer and we are still looking for a solution. Since we joined the RSPO, in all the reports I have reported that the specificity of DEKELOIL is to be taken into account, as it is certainly the only company in the world to have more than 90% of its supply base from independent producers and less than 10% from its own plantations. Yet this is a solution that would make things easier for us as users, especially as a member of the RSPO and given our specificity. Unfortunately, we are still in discussion with GHG UNIT to find a solution.

We would therefore be very grateful if you could help us to resolve this situation.

7. Support for Oil Palm Smallholders

7.1 How is your company supporting Independent Smallholder groups?

Sourcing of physical FFB

- Financial support
- Operations support
- ✓ Training support
- Community development
- Not supporting Independent Smallholder groups
- Others

Others

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DEKELOIL is concerned about the health of its growers and has introduced insurance for its diet suppliers.

7.1.1 Please provide the names and locations of the oil palm Independent Smallholder groups that you are currently supporting. This question is not mandatory, and is left to the discretion of the RSPO member to answer.

8. Actions For Next Reporting Period

8.1 Outline activities that your company will undertake in the coming year to advance its certification efforts.

- Gradually migrate to the turbine;

- Use the discharge water from the methanisation effluent treatment process for irrigation of the nursery; - Build a biogas plant with the aim of using the gas produced for renewable energy production by

reducing the use of fossil fuels;

- Burn a certain amount of gas and reduce the use of the generator by 2% in 2020 and 2% in 2021 to approach 1% use in 2022;

- To popularise good management practices at the economic, social and environmental levels;

- To seek funding for the certification support project.

8.2 Outline activities that your company will undertake in the coming year to promote the uptake CSPO along the supply chain.

- Raising awareness among producers on the benefits of RSPO certification;

Training of producers on good agricultural practices;
 Health insurance for small producers.

Challenges and Support

1.1 What significant obstacles or challenges has your company encountered in the promotion of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)? What efforts has your company taken to address these obstacles or challenges?

- Awareness of RSPO in the market
- Difficulties in the certification process
- Certification of smallholders
- Competition with non-RSPO members
- High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
- Human rights issues
- Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
- Low usage of palm oil
- Reputation of palm oil in the market
- Reputation of RSPO in the market
- Supply issues
- ✓ Traceability issues
- No challenges faced
- ✓ Others

Others

In the context of the production of crude palm oil and the supply of palm diets, we encounter several obstacles that we have constantly brought to the attention of the RSPO during the submission of our reports and also meetings Officials organised by RSPO Africa especially that we have not yet had the opportunity to attend as a member at one of the international meetings. The obstacles encountered can be found on several levels below:

• ON THE SOCIAL LEVEL

The dispersion of our plantations (in total 156) over the entire region of Sud-Comoé over seven sectors from Grand-Bassam to Noé on the Ivory-Ghanaian border makes it difficult if not impossible to implement the requirements of the chain of supply.

• AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL LEVEL

Likewise, one of our biggest constraints is the carrying out of HVC and ESIA studies for these plantations as part of our compensation procedure with regard to non-compliance with the requirements of the procedure for new plantations when creating the majority of these plantations from a logistical and financial point of view.

Indeed, the very high cost of these HVC studies genuinely limits the implementation of this procedure because to do so you need ALS accredited HVC assessors. These assessors, in addition to the accreditation requirement, are inexplicably rare.

In addition, it should be noted that our compensation procedure (LUCA) initiated since 2014, has dragged on to this day.

Thus, at the request of LUCA to make available the satellite images of the year of creation of the plantations created without having respected the procedure of the new plantations of 2005, we were unable to provide the images requested by LUCA for the simple reason that the technology to do it does not exist in Côte d'Ivoire and even the images would not exist after our prospecting with potential providers in the field.

It is therefore desperate that we contacted a Dutch expert (SATELIGENCE) who through a report confirmed the information and carried out the study for us. The report is available. Unfortunately, the representatives of the RSPO rejected the report and promised to hire a technician to help us obtain the images to finalise our procedure. To date, we are still waiting for these images despite our multiple reminders. Since our certification process to the RSPO standard strongly depends on this procedure, we contacted the RSPO Africa manager to describe our difficulties. He advised us to carry out the HVC and ESIA studies for all of our plantations (156). In addition, he advises us to take a sample to carry out the studies. We think that this approach is not the right one since the information sought by LUCA concerns the development or not of plantations in possible areas of HCV. Environmental legislation in Côte d'Ivoire (decree no. 96-894 of 8 November 1996 setting the rules and procedures applicable to studies relating to the environmental impact of projects in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire "ESIA") at appendix 1, the ESIAs are carried out on 999 hectares and the law makes it possible to make a declaration of categorical exclusions which is a report which exempts the promoter from carrying out the ESIA when the said project does not appear in any of the project categories mentioned in the appendices I, II and III of the said decree.



This is a huge difficulty which seriously taints the certification process so far, has not yet had a happy ending to allow us to move forward.

Our proposal at this level would be to revise the mechanism for carrying out studies related to the RSPO to allow a greater majority of actors to be able to carry them out at a lower cost.

• AT THE ECONOMIC LEVEL

The fierce competition in our sphere of influence (Sud-Comoé region), leads to non-compliance with the rules laid down by the oil palm sector in Côte d'Ivoire (AIPH) with the consequence:

-The inability of manufacturers to support producers in terms of agricultural advice; - The difficulty of rehabilitating roads and the professionalization of cooperatives.

Another economic difficulty lies in the cost of the services linked to the implementation of certain requirements of the RSPO, in particular:

- HVC performed by an assessor ALS accrediting;
- The compensation procedure; The use of palm GHG software.

It would be advisable in view of all these difficulties to take a particular look at the situation of DEKELOIL, because unless I am mistaken or omitted, no company in the world has these characteristics like DEKELOIL which since 2008 has been an ordinary member of the RSPO without even having plantations and factory. This shows all his commitment to work for a more responsible world of production and consumption.

We hope that in the coming days, we will be invited to present all these questions and situations in order to allow RSPO decision-makers to study our situation a little more in depth, especially since the first objective of the RSPO is to encourage stakeholders and members committed to making this world a viable, humanly sustainable environment for us and future generations.

1.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP report, what other ways has your company supported the vision of the RSPO to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm?

- Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- Engagement with government agencies
- \Box Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues such as trade workshops or industry associations
- Promotion of physical CSPO
- Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
- Research & Development support
- Stakeholder engagement
- No actions taken
- ✓ Others

Others

- We funded study tours for cooperatives;
- We have offered our site to test the RSPO-certified auditors;
- Community-based outreach

1.3 If your company has any other publicly-available reports or information regarding its palm oil-related policies and activities, please provide the links here

Policies in force :

- Code of Ethics ;
- Freedom of association policy Non-use of force and non-retaliation policy
- Human rights policy;
- Policy on engagement ;
 Child labour and rehabilitation policy
- Forced labour policy
- Occupational health and safety policy;
- Zero Burning Policy.

Policies under validation :

- Non-discrimination and equal opportunities policy;
 Policy on the protection of reproductive rights;
- Employment and recruitment policy
- Policy on the use of chemicals;
- Policy on the management and monitoring of HCVs.

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