

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Member Name

ASOCIACION NACIONAL DE INDUSTRIALES DE ACEITES Y MANTECAS COMESTIBLES, A.C. (ANIAME)

1.2 Membership Number

8-0199-17-000-00

1.3 Membership Sector

Associations

1.4 Membership Category

Affiliate

1.5 Country

Mexico

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

No

2.2 Please select all the sectors that best describe the business activities of your company or organisation, including your primary RSPO membership sector. You may select multiple sectors and will be required to complete the ACOP form for the relevant sectors

- I am a bank or financial institution that finances or supports companies or organisations that produce or manufacture palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products
- I am a conservation and environmental NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry
- I am a social and human development NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry
- I am an Affiliate member of the RSPO, indirectly involved in the palm oil industry

Affiliates

1. Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organisation?

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EDIBLE OILS & SHORTENING PRODUCERS, ANIAME, is the organization which represents the interests of oilseed and oil palm processing companies in Mexico. Our members are crushing companies; crude oil refining companies; and companies consuming refined oils to produce products with higher added value. ANIAME's members seek to produce sustainable, quality & competitively priced oils & fats. To achieve this, ANIAME promotes a higher national production of oilseeds and oil palm. Among others ANIAME's activities include to represent the oils & fats sector in trade negotiations; the elaboration of government and industry standards; the analysis of Mexican and global markets of oilseeds, oils & fats, and protein meals; to be in contact with government authorities (Economy, Agriculture, Health, Environment, etc) and with kindred private associations and institutions. Currently, ANIAME continues to promote the certification of all the schemes for Mexico: the National Interpretation of RSPO Principles & Criteria and a Mexican Standard based on RSPO P&C.

1.2 What activities has your organisation undertaken to promote sustainable palm oil, the RSPO and/or RSPO members in the reporting period?

During 2021, and with the support of the Mexican government (especially in the case of small producers), ANIAME promoted the sustainability certification of all members of the palm oil value chain in Mexico, under the scheme of the National Interpretation of the RSPO 2018 Principles and Criteria and the Mexican Standard, both already in force in our country.

ANIAME maintains close communication with the representation of RSPO Latin America, through its director, Francisco Naranjo, with the purpose of promoting RSPO certification in the country, in addition to creating joint work schemes that contribute to strengthening the Mexican Standard.

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

50.0%

1.4 Did members of your organisation participate in RSPO working groups and/or taskforces in the reporting period?

Yes

1.5 Does your organisation have any past or on-going collaborations with public or private sector palm oil industry players to support them in their efforts to increase the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)?

Yes

1.6 How is your organisation's work on palm oil funded?

ANIAME's work is financed by a budget approved annually by our Board of Directors. All the actions undertaken by our Association are financed by fees paid by our members.

2. Actions for Next Reporting Period

2.1 Please outline activities that your organisation will take in the coming year to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)

In 2021, a couple of companies affiliated with ANIAME managed to obtain RSPO certification. The effort of our association is focused on creating, together with the EMA (Mexican Accreditation Entity), an accreditation scheme for Mexican certifiers to promote certification under the Mexican standard. Likewise, with government support, the recognition of the equivalence of the Mexican standard with the RSPO criteria is being promoted among the main palm oil consuming companies in Mexico. Here, ANIAME is making a joint effort with RSPO LATAM to strengthen the Mexican standard. Of course, there is still a long way to go towards the sustainability of oil palm in Mexico. Without a doubt, the Mexican oil palm chain is in a privileged position: Mexico can be considered a unique case in the world, because it has a NI and at the same time, it also has a Mexican Standard for palm. ANIAME will continue with the necessary work for the instrumentation and recognition of both sustainability platforms for the Mexican oil palm chain.

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

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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?

- Communication and/or engagement to transform the negative perception of palm oil
- Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- Engagement with government agencies
- Engagement with peers and clients
- Promotion of CSPO through off product claims
- 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

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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

We can share with you the official web site of the National Interpretation process in Mexico:
www.inrspomexico.org