

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Member Name

Industrias Aceiteras del Caribe de Honduras (HONDUCARIBE-ECARA)

1.2 Membership Number

1-0179-15-000-00

1.3 Membership Sector

Oil Palm Growers

1.4 Membership Category

Ordinary

1.5 Country

Honduras

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 the palm oil-related activity(ies) that describe your company or organisation as multiple selections are allowed. ACOP reporting is 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)
- ☐ I represent a palm oil Independent Smallholder farmer Group
- ☐ I own and operate palm oil mills
- ☐ I own and operate palm kernel crushing plants - Processors and/or Traders
- ☐ I trade or broker palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Processors and/or Traders
- ☐ I am a refiner of palm oil or palm kernel oil - Processors and/or Traders
- ☐ I am a processor of intermediate (B2B) palm oil, palm kernel oil or related fractions/derivatives - Processors and/or Traders
- ☐ I am a B2B distributor or wholesaler of palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Processors and/or Traders
- ☐ I manufacture final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products. This includes products manufactured by 3rd party contractors - Consumer Goods Manufacturers
- ☐ I retail final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Retailers
- ☐ I operate food retail outlets that use palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products - Retailers
- ☐ 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

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 Progress

Information in Section 2.0 - Operations and Certification Progress - is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes hectareage data, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate certification of individual members, sectors and RSPO members as a whole. ACOP reports without reported hectareage 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

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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)	1761.20
2.1.3 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - unplanted (hectares)	31.40
2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas (hectares)	345.02
2.1.5 Other conservation land set aside, excluding HCV areas reported in 2.1.4 (hectares)	57.55
2.1.6 Other land under management unit (hectares)	0.00
2.1.7 Total land under scheme smallholders (hectares)	0.00
Total	2195.17

2.2 Certification progress

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

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

1761.20

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

80.23%

2.3 In which countries are your estates located?

2.3.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)

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2.3.2 Malaysia - Please indicate which state(s)

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2.3.3 Other - Please indicate which country/countries

Honduras

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)?

0.00

2.5 Supply of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)

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

16498.35

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

16498.35

2.5.1.2 Certification progress - Certified FFB volume produced by estates managed or controlled by your company

100.00%

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

2.5.4 Independent smallholder operations that supply your operations:

2.5.4.1 Total FFB volume supplied by independent smallholders (tonnes)

105807.36

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

0.00

2.5.4.3 Certification progress - Certified FFB volume supplied by independent smallholders

0.00%

2.6 Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) processing and production operations

2.6.1 Number of palm oil mills operated

1

2.6.2 Number of palm oil mills certified under RSPO P&C

1

2.7 Palm Kernel processing and production operations

2.7.1 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills operated

1

2.7.2 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills certified under RSPO Supply Chain Certification (SCC)

1

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	0.00
Indonesia	0.00
Latin America	25994.48
Africa	0.00
Thailand	0.00
Rest of the World	0.00
Total	25994.48

3.2 CSPO sold as RSPO certified

Description	Tonnes
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.00
Segregated (SG)	0.00
Mass Balance (MB)	3465.08
RSPO Credits	0.00
Total	3465.08

3.5 Total CSPO sold

Description	Tonnes
3.2 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified	3465.08
3.3 CSPO sold under other certification schemes	0.00
3.4 CSPO sold as conventional	0.00
Total	3465.08

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

13.33%

3.7 Based on total CSPO volumes sold (Question G.3.6) , please estimate the percentage of the volumes originating from your operations in the following regions/countries

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Malaysia	0
Indonesia	0
Latin America	100
Africa	0
Thailand	0
Rest of the World	0

3.8 Total Palm Kernel produced (tonnes)

Countries/Regions	Tonnes
Malaysia	0.00
Indonesia	0.00
Latin America	5472.17
Africa	0.00
Thailand	0.00
Rest of the World	0.00
Total	5472.17

3.9 CSPK sold as RSPO certified

Description	Tonnes
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.00
Segregated (SG)	0.00
Mass Balance (MB)	718.25
Total	718.25

3.12 Total CSPK sold

Description	Tonnes
3.9 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified	718.25
3.10 CSPK sold under other certification schemes	0.00
3.11 CSPK sold as conventional	0.00
Total	718.25

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

13.13%

3.14 Based on the CSPK sold volumes (Question G.3.12), please estimate the percentage of volumes originating from your operations in the following regions/countries:

Countries/Regions	Tonnes
Malaysia	0
Indonesia	0
Latin America	100
Africa	0
Thailand	0
Rest of the World	0

4. TimeBound Plan

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

2020

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

2020

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

N/A - Sin comentarios

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

2027

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

- Son numerosos los retos que se presentan en el proceso de inclusión de los pequeños productores independientes (PPI) en la adopción de los Principios y Criterios (P&C) de la RSPO. No obstante, desde hace varios años se ha venido desarrollando un proceso progresivo de integración de los PPI mediante la implementación de un plan de gestión que incorpora un componente organizativo, así como capacitaciones técnicas orientadas a la adopción de buenas prácticas agrícolas, ambientales y sociales. Este plan también incluye sesiones de inducción sobre la normativa RSPO y contempla la provisión de asistencia técnica directa a las fincas de los productores independientes. Se prevé fortalecer este proceso durante el presente año y en los años venideros, con miras a lograr una participación más efectiva y sostenible de los PPI en el marco de la certificación RSPO.

- Adicionalmente, muchas de las fincas de los pequeños productores independientes se ubican en zonas vulnerables a inundaciones, por lo que resultaron significativamente afectadas por las tormentas tropicales que impactaron la región durante los meses de noviembre y diciembre de 2024. Estas afectaciones han provocado una marcada inestabilidad económica entre los productores, así como un retraso considerable en la ejecución de los proyectos de inclusión de los PPI en los Principios y Criterios (P&C) de la RSPO. Otro aspecto relevante a considerar es la complejidad de los trámites gubernamentales, los cuales, por su carácter burocrático y prolongado, también contribuyen al retraso de las actividades programadas dentro del plan de gestión

5. Concession Boundaries

5.1 The RSPO General Assembly Resolution 6G (2013) calls for all members with Grower operations to submit their concessions boundaries through ACOP. Has your company submitted complete concession boundaries up to supply base level to the RSPO in previous ACOP cycles as per Formatting Requirements for Plantation Boundary Data Submission Guidelines?

Yes _____

5.2 Has your company either acquired any new concession sites, have any concession sites changed ownership or change its boundaries since the previous ACOP submission?

No _____

6. GHG Footprint

6.1 Has your company started quantifying its GHG emissions and monitoring?

Yes

6.1.1 Yes. Please state the year when your company started tracking and monitoring.

2019.0

6.2.1 What is the average GHG emissions by hectare (tCO₂e/ha) for all certified management units in this reporting year?

1.74

6.2.2 What is the average GHG emissions per tonne of crude palm oil (tCO₂e/tCPO) for all certified management units in this reporting year?

0.32

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

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6.4.1 Does your company have a long-term target?

Yes

6.4.1.1 Yes. Kindly provide your company target(s).

La empresa continúa avanzando en la implementación de medidas orientadas a la mejora continua en materia ambiental, mediante la ejecución de planes diseñados para gestionar adecuadamente todas aquellas actividades susceptibles de provocar contaminación. Este enfoque preventivo contempla las siguientes acciones clave:

1. Identificación de actividades con potencial contaminante.
2. Análisis de emisiones provenientes de fuentes fijas, de conformidad con los parámetros establecidos por la normativa legal vigente.
3. Análisis de emisiones generadas por fuentes móviles, también en cumplimiento con los requisitos legales correspondientes.
4. Elaboración e implementación de planes de manejo ambiental, que abarcan:
 - * Gestión de los recursos hídricos
 - * Manejo adecuado de desechos y residuos
 - * Fomento de la eficiencia energética
 - * Aplicación de un Manual de Gestión Agrícola como instrumento técnico de referencia

6.4.2 What is your baseline year for setting the target?

2019

6.4.3 What is your target baseline (average tCO₂e/tCPO)?

3.00

6.5 Does your company have an annual GHG emissions reduction/minimising target?

Yes

6.5.1 What is your company's annual GHG emissions reduction/minimising target (in absolute tCO₂e/tCPO or in percentage terms)?

-0.05

6.5.2 What is your company's annual GHG emissions reduction/minimising target (in absolute tCO₂e/tCPO or in percentage terms)?

2027

6.5.3 What measures are currently being taken to reduce GHG emissions?

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En el ámbito industrial, se ha priorizado la ejecución de los siguientes proyectos estratégicos:

1. Mejoramiento del sistema de tratamiento de aguas residuales, orientado a la captación de gas metano generado en el proceso, con el propósito de aprovecharlo como combustible en la generación de energía, contribuyendo así a la reducción de emisiones y al uso eficiente de los recursos disponibles.
2. Proyecto de optimización de la generación de vapor, con un doble objetivo: por un lado, mejorar la producción de energía eléctrica; por otro, incrementar la eficiencia de los procesos de extracción de aceite crudo. Para ello, se ha implementado una caldera industrial Mechmar con una capacidad de 30 toneladas de vapor por hora. Este equipo incorpora un sistema de filtración de gases tipo Vorsep, el cual permite una separación eficiente de partículas, reduciendo así la carga contaminante de las emisiones liberadas a la atmósfera.

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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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.

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8. Actions For Next Reporting Period

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

La empresa cuenta con la certificación de la norma RSPO desde el año 2020. En concordancia con el enfoque de mejora continua que rige dicha norma, se ha priorizado la identificación de oportunidades de mejora a través de procesos sistemáticos de auditorías internas. Estas auditorías permiten fortalecer el sistema de control interno, asegurando su alineación con los requerimientos establecidos en la normativa RSPO y garantizando el cumplimiento sostenido de los Principios y Criterios aplicables

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

Se continuará con la implementación de programas de apoyo dirigidos a pequeños productores independientes, desarrollados en colaboración con organizaciones no gubernamentales (ONG) tanto nacionales como internacionales o inclusive se podría obtener apoyo a través de la Asociación Industrial de Productores de Aceite de Honduras (AIPAH), con el objetivo de facilitar y fortalecer la inclusión de los pequeños productores independientes en el proceso de adopción de los requisitos establecidos por la norma RSPO. Paralelamente, se mantiene en ejecución un proceso de integración de los PPI en los Principios y Criterios (P&C) de la RSPO, mediante la implementación de un plan de gestión integral que contempla el fortalecimiento organizativo, la realización de capacitaciones técnicas y la provisión de asistencia técnica directa a los productores.

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

<https://honducaribe.com/>