

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organisation

Grasas Y Derivados S.A. Gradesa S.A.

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

- Palm Oil Grower
- Processor and/or Trader
- Consumer Goods Manufacturer
- Retailer
- Bank and/or Investor
- Social and/or Development NGO
- Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
- Affiliate

1.3 Membership number

2-0866-18-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

Processors & Traders

1. Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your company's main activity within the palm oil supply chain.

- Refiner of CPO and PKO
- Palm Kernel Crusher
- Trader with Physical Possession
- Trader without Physical Possession
- Integrated Refiner-Trader-Processor
- Food and Non-Food Ingredients Producer
- Power, Energy and Biofuel Processor
- Animal Feed Producer
- Oleochemicals Producer
- Distribution & Logistics
- Other

Other

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2. Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption

Information in Section 2 - Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Sourcing is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes volume data on palm oil and palm oil products consumed, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate uptake on a member, sector and total level. ACOP reports without reported volume data will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted.

2.1 Please include details of all operations using palm oil, owned and/or managed by the member and/or all entities that belong to the group.

Total property

2.1.1 In which countries does your company sell goods with palm oil and palm oil products?

Argentina ,Aruba ,Canada ,Colombia ,Dominican Republic ,Greece ,Puerto Rico ,Spain ,United States ,Uruguay ,Venezuela

2.2 Total volume of all palm oil and palm oil products sourced in the year:

Description	Tonnes
Crude palm oil, including derivatives refined from CPO (tonnes)	78334.0
Crude palm kernel oil, including derivatives refined from CPKO (tonnes)	15264.0
Crude palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	2808.0
Total	96406.0

2.3 Volume of RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products sourced in the year (tonnes):

Description	Crude Palm	Crude Palm	
	Oil (CPO) and CSPO Derivatives	Kernel Oil (CSPKO) and CSPKO Derivatives	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	0.0	0.0	0.0
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Segregated (SG)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0

2.4 According to the volume information you have provided in Question PT.2.2 and Question PT.2.3, your company's certified palm oil and palm oil products uptake is:

0.00%

3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company achieve/obtain (or expects to achieve/obtain) the RSPO supply chain certification or RSPO trader/distributor licence?

2019

3.2 Which year did your company start (or expect to start) to source any RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products?

2020

3.2.1 If the previous target year for PT.3.2 has not been met, please explain why.

Gradesa achieved its RSPO certification for the supply chain in June 2019, however to date we have not manufactured RSPO products (refined palm oil RSPO, Refined palm kernel oil RSPO, Margarines, shortenings and kitchen oil), therefore in our plant we do not have products that carry the RSPO logo. The RSPO products to be manufactured would be made according to a production order and so far our clients are quoting the RSPO product.

3.3 Which year did your company achieve (or expects to achieve) 100% RSPO certification of all palm product processing facilities.

2024

3.3.1 If the previous target year for PT.3.3 has not been met, please explain why.

Gradesa S.A expects to certify 100% of its production plants by 2024.

3.4 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) sourcing only 100% RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products.

2024

3.5 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member sells goods with palm oil or palm oil products, please explain why

Argentina , Aruba , Canada , Colombia , Dominican Republic , Greece , Puerto Rico , Spain , United States , Uruguay , Venezuela and all international markets that require RSPO certified product manufactured by Gradesa S.A

3.6 How does your company proactively promote RSPO and RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products to your customers?

1. Our RSPO products will be proactively offered to current and potential customers, emphasizing the importance of RSPO certification, demonstrating that Gradesa SA's RSPO products come from sustainable and controlled sources and that its supply chain is safe, traceable and provides credible evidence of its sustainability 2. We will regularly inform the progress in sustainability and RSPO to our customers, looking for ways to open the doors to more demanding international markets that seek commitments to the economy, society and the environment.

4. Actions For Next Reporting Period

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

1. Gradesa S.A will promote the promotion of RSPO certified products among its clients to increase acceptance in the national and international market. This promotion is carried out through visits and / or meetings with potential customers who can purchase RSPO certified products manufactured by the company. 2. Continue training and / or updating all the personnel involved in the RSPO supply chain. 3. Obtain RSPO certified raw materials from suppliers to be more competitive with certified palm products compared to specific products.

5. Shared Responsibility

The Board of Governors of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) approved new Shared Responsibility rules on 31 October 2019, requiring all members to share sustainability requirements and obligations. Reporting of Shared Responsibility indicators will be done through several channels, including ACOP. As the implementation of Shared Responsibility reporting is still on-going and in development, the Shared Responsibility section in ACOP is not yet final and may change in future ACOP cycles. For more information on Shared Responsibility, please go to <https://rspo.org/news-and-events/news/what-are-the-new-shared-responsibility-rules> or email the ACOP team at acop@rspo.org

Labour & Labour Rights

5.1 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?

Yes

5.1.1 Does the policy cover:

- No discrimination
- Wage and working conditions
- Freedom of association
- No child labour
- No harassment
- No forced or trafficked labour

5.1.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Labour & Labour Rights policy in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

No

Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

5.2 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Ethical Conduct & Human Rights?

Yes

5.2.1 Does the policy cover:

- Recruitment
- Contractors
- Sub-Contractors & Third-Party Contractors

5.2.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Ethical Conduct & Human Rights policy in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

No

Land Use

5.3 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Land Use?

No

Occupational Health & Safety**5.4 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?**

Yes

5.4.1 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Occupational Health & Safety policy in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

No

Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)**5.5 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)?**

No

Complaints & Grievances**5.6 Does your company have a Complaints & Grievances Mechanism?**

Yes

5.6.1 Is your Complaints & Grievances mechanism in line with the RSPO's grievance mechanism? For details of the RSPO's grievance mechanism, please go to <https://askrspo.force.com/Complaint/s/>

No

Smallholders**5.7 Does your company support oil palm independent smallholder groups?**

Yes

5.7.1 Does this support cover:

- Fair and transparent dealings with Smallholders
 Improved Smallholder livelihoods

5.7.2 How is your company supporting them?

Gradesa S.A has an agronomics services division, through this division, smallholders are offered comprehensive technical assistance in the agricultural, occupational health and safety, environmental and good agricultural practices.

6. Challenges

6.1 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

Gradesa S.A is about to certify its supply chain in RSPO, however it exposes some economic, social and environmental obstacles that may arise: 1. Acquisition of the RSPO certified raw material. It is necessary that businesses promote the use of certified sustainable palm oil. 2. Customers would not be willing to pay premiums for certified material despite being interested in certified product. 3. The availability of palm oil and palm derivatives under the MB model

6.2 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
- 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

1. Commitment to interested parties 2. Promote new developments in the industry and educate potential customers about the social and environmental benefits of RSPO palm oil. 3. Business meetings with clients

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

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