

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organisation

LEAP SPIRAL

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

6-0034-14-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Environmental or Nature Conservation Organisations (Non Governmental Organisations)

1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

NGOs

1. Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organisation?

LEAP Spiral initiates, develops and supports collaborative partnership and projects in Malaysia Borneo that address restoration and protection of the land, its biodiversity and the indigenous people that live on it. Our main programme areas are biodiversity protection, forest and habitat restoration and protection, community-based conservation initiatives, species protection and renewable energy. We also facilitate and support the multi-sector Forever Sabah programme that seeks to transition the state of Sabah toward a diversified, equitable, circular economy. In all these areas, LEAP Spiral works to facilitate committed and open partnerships that enable habitats, species and cultures to thrive and to promote sustainable economic activities that place and equal value on income security, quality of life and the health of our shared ecosystem. We also work to create an atmosphere of openness and willingness to change across civil society, government and industry.

1.2 What activities has your organisation undertaken to publicise programmes to support the RSPO, RSPO certification, the uptake of RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products, or to support good standing RSPO members during the reporting period?

LEAP Spiral initiated the Sabah 100% RSPO policy process through the Forever Sabah Programme which we are facilitating. Forever Sabah is a Technical Advisor along with RSPO in the Jurisdictional Certification Steering Committee (JCSC) and in August 2017, Forever Sabah convened a two-day workshop that involved over 50 representatives from government, industry, civil society and academia to design the Five Year Work Plan (2017-2020). The workplan has been endorsed by the Sabah State Cabinet, work has started since then up to this date and activities listed through three-year working groups on Compensation - High Conservation Value; Free, Prior, Informed Consent (FPIC) and smallholders. Activities include preparing an integrated HCV-HCS map for Sabah, preparing the Sabah specific FPIC Guide and Operational Mechanism; and trailing the Sustainable Smallholder Communities programme in the district of Telupid, Tongod, Beluran and Kinabatangan districts. We have continued to support the JCSC in convening quarterly meetings and more recently in reporting these meetings; and in facilitating workshops related to specific work under the three working groups.

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

30%

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

No

1.5 Does your organisation have any 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?

Primarily through grants.

2. TimeBound Plan

2.1 Which year did your organisation start or expects to start participating in RSPO working groups and/or taskforces?

2018

2.2 Which year did your organisation start or expects to start undertaking and publicising programmes to support the RSPO, RSPO certification, uptake of RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products and/or good standing RSPO member?

2018

3. Actions for Next Reporting Period

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

Our focus is to facilitate and support our activities for our Five Year Workplan formulated for the Jurisdictional Certification Steering Committee (JCSC) to ensure Sabah is able to deliver on its pledge to fully certify its palm oil by 2025 based on RSPO standards. We are working closely with JCSC co-chaired by the Sabah Forestry Department and Natural Resources Office in ensuring activities outlined for June 2017 to May 2018 is implemented. These include producing an integrated HCV-HCS map for Sabah; preparing and field testing the Sabah specific FPIC guide and Operational Mechanism; trailing the Sustainable Smallholder Communities programme in Telupid, Tongod, Beluran and Kinabatangan; getting big industry mills to adopt their direct smallholder base and provide Good Management Practices (GMP) training; and build capacity in oil palm GMP for smallholders.

4. 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

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

Yes

4.1.1 Does the policy cover:

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

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

No

Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

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

No

Occupational Health & Safety**4.3 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?**

Yes

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

No

Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)**4.4 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)?**

No

Complaints & Grievances**4.5 Does your company have a Complaints & Grievances Mechanism?**

Yes

4.5.1 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/>

Yes

Smallholders**4.6 Does your company support oil palm independent smallholder groups?**

Yes

4.7.1 Does this support cover:

- Fair and transparent dealings with Smallholders
- Improved Smallholder livelihoods

4.6.2 How is your company supporting them?

Smallholders Work: The role of CSPO Team is to promote growth and use of sustainable palm oil through credible global standards for smallholders by assisting smallholders in 20 villages of Telupid, Tongod, Beluran and Kinabatangan. Our team has been giving trainings and workshop to the smallholders community for the past two years in regard to the Good Management Practices (GMP) through various trainings, workshop and knowledge exchange opportunities to smallholders to expose themselves towards learning based on experience with other communities (specifically in Indonesia), community committee and cooperatives groups as initiative to increase productivity and profitability of the local community by building institutions as a platform to move forwards with RSPO standard.

5. Challenges

5.1 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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5.2 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

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5.3 If your organisation 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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