## Particulars

## **About Your Organisation**

### 1.1 Name of your organisation

REWE Group on behalf of REWE-Zentral-Aktiengesellschaft Köln

## 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
- **R**etailer
- Bank and/or Investor
- Social and/or Development NGO
- Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
- Affiliate

## 1.3 Membership number

3-0039-11-000-00

## 1.4 Membership category

Retailers

### 1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

## **Retailers**

## 1. Operational Profile

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

- Retail with own brand products
- Retail without own brand products
- Food service providers
- Retail wholesalers
- 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 Consumption - 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 list down all operations and subsidiaries using palm oil that are owned and/or managed by the member, including those under Group Membership

2.1.1 In which markets does your company retail goods with palm oil and oil palm products?

Germany

2.2.5 Total volume of all palm oil and palm oil products (palm-content only) used in your company's own-brand products in the year:

Description	Tonnes
Total volume of crude/refined palm oil (tonnes)	13283.99
Total volume of crude/refined palm kernel oil (tonnes)	1076.6
Total volume of palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.0
Total volume of palm oil/palm kernel oil derivatives and fractions (tonnes)	3064.94
Total	17425.53

2.2.6 Please estimate the percentage of derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.2.4) derived from palm oil or from palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	60.0
Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	40.0

2.3 Volume of RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products (palm-content only) used in your company's own brand products in the year (tonnes):

Description	Crude/Refined Palm Oil (CSPO)	Crude/Refined Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO)	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)	Certified Derivatives and Fractions
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	1.02	0.0	0.0	110.95
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	447.75	46.65	0.0	961.28
Segregated (SG)	12826.86	1029.95	0.0	1982.17
Identity Preserved (IP)	8.37	0.0	0.0	10.55
Total	13284.0	1076.6	0.0	3064.95

2.3.1 Please estimate the percentage of RSPO-certified derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.3) derived from RSPO-certified palm oil or from RSPO-certified palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Certified Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	60.0
Certified Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	40.0

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

100.00%

2.4.1 If your company has not reached 100% usage of sustainable palm oil through the four supply chain models (RSPO Credits, MB, SG or IP), do you have any plans to cover the gap using RSPO Credits?

No

## 2.4.2 Please explain why you do not intend to cover the gap using RSPO Credits

We have reached 100% usage of sustainable palm oil through the four supply chain models (RSPO Credits, MB, SG or IP).

2.5 Please estimate the regional distribution of your company's RSPO certified palm oil and palm oil-products usage (as declared in Question RT.2.3) in the following countries/regions:

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	100.0
North America	0.0
Malaysia	0.0
Indonesia	0.0
China	0.0
India	0.0
Latin America	0.0
Africa	0.0
Rest of World	0.0

## 3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products in own-brand products

2011

3.1.1 If the previous target year for RT.3.1 has not been met, please explain why.

3.2 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using 100% RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from any supply chain option in own-brand products.

2013

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

3.3 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using 100% RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from physical supply chain options (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) in own-brand products.

2020

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

Our objectives are defined as follows: Pure refined and unrefined palm oil: Purchase 100 per cent segregated from 1 January 2016 Pure refined and unrefined palm kernel oil: Purchase 100 per cent at least at mass balance from 1 January 2016 Purchase 100 per cent segregated from 1 January 2018 Fractions and derivatives (irrespective of whether palm oil or palm kernel oil based): Purchase a minimum of 25 per cent at least at mass balance in 2016 Purchase a Minimum of 50 per cent at least at mass balance in 2017 Purchase 100 per cent at least at mass balance in 2020 For the remaining shares of fractions and derivatives, which are not covered by the supply chain option mass balancing by the end of 2019, book & claim certificates will still have to be purchased by the store brand suppliers. In this stance, the supply chain option book & claim should only be considered a transitional solution and should not be used any longer from 2020 at the latest. The certificates still required until the end of 2019 should be purchased from selected, responsible palm oil producers in the context of so-called off-market deals, if possible. In addition, off-market deals serve to support independent small-scale farmers (I.S. certificates) who make an important contribution to a more sustainable palm oil cultivation.

3.4 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member operates, please explain why

## 4. Trademark Use

4.1 Does your company use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products?

No

- 4.3 Please explain why your company does not plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products
- Challenging reputation of palm oil
- Confusion among end-consumers
- Costs of changing labels
- Difficulty of applying for RSPO Trademark
- Lack of customer demand
- Limited label space
- Low consumer awareness
- Low usage of palm oil
- Risk of supply disruption
- Others

Others

## 5. Actions for Next Reporting Period

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

For the store brands of REWE Group, the aim is to predominately use certified palm (kernel) oil products. The existing certification systems should be considered minimum standards and do not yet comply with the requirements of REWE Group and other stakeholders. Therefore, it is imperative to improve the systems in consideration of the additional criteria defined by the German Forum for Sustainable Palm Oil. 1) No cultivation on peat lands and high carbon stock areas 2) Reduction of GHG emissions especially for plantations and mills 3) No use of harmful pesticides and Paraquat 4) No use of Fresh Fruit Bunches from unknown and illegal sources 5) Disclosure of GHG emissions. We supported that these requirements became a part of the RSPO principles and criteria. In the coming year we will continuously engage within the German Forum for Sustainable Palm Oil to foster a sustainable palm oil production.

## 6. 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

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

Yes

#### 6.1.1 Does the policy cover:

- No discrimination
- Wage and working conditions
- Freedom of association
- No child labour
- V No harassment

No forced or trafficked labour

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

Yes

#### Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

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

Yes

#### 6.2.1 Does the policy cover:

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

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

Yes

#### Land Use

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

Yes

#### 6.3.1 Does the policy cover:

Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)

Compensation

#### 6.3.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Land Use policy in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

Yes

**Occupational Health & Safety** 

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

Yes

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

Yes

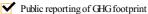
Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)

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

Yes

6.5.1 Does the policy cover:

Identification and assessment of GHG



Monitored implementation plan to reduce or minimise CHG emissions

6.5.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas policy or report in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

Yes

**Complaints & Grievances** 

6.6 Does your company have a Complaints & Grievances Mechanism?

Yes

6.6.1 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/

Yes

#### Smallholders

6.7 Does your company support oil palm independent smallholder groups?

Yes

#### 6.7.1 Does this support cover:

Fair and transparent dealings with Smallholders

Improved Smallholder livelihoods

#### 6.7.2 How is your company supporting them?

As a member of the Forum for Sustainable Palm Oil (FONAP) we contribute to the project "Impact of the FONAP Add-on Criteria on Small Producers in Malaysia" between the forum and the Malaysian NGO Wild Asia, which is being implemented since 2018 and helps the partners in the producer countries to implement the forum's supplemental. For more information see https://www.forumpalmoel.org/fonap-projekt.

## 7. Challenges

7.1 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

7.2 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

7.3 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://rewe-group-nachhaltigkeitsbericht.de/2018/sites/default/files/pdfs/rewe\_groupsustainability\_report\_based\_on\_gri\_standards\_2018.pdf