

## Particulars

### About Your Organisation

#### 1.1 Name of your organisation

Zschimmer & Schwarz CHEMIE GmbH

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#### 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

2-0666-16-000-00

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#### 1.4 Membership category

Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

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#### 1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

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## 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.

Zschimmer & Schwarz supplies a wide variety of industries with tailor-made chemical auxiliaries and specialities. Oil palm derivatives are raw materials used in manufacture of surfactants and other chemical auxiliaries.

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

Applies globally

#### 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)	1723.0
Crude palm kernel oil, including derivatives refined from CPKO (tonnes)	27081.0
Crude palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.0
Total	28804.0

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

<b>Description</b>	<b>Crude Palm Oil (CPO) and CSPO Derivatives</b>	<b>Crude Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO) and CSPKO Derivatives</b>	<b>Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)</b>
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	0.0	16.0	0.0
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	553.0	3637.0	0.0
Segregated (SG)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	553.0	3653.0	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:**

14.60%

**2.5 What is the estimated percentage of Certified Sustainable Palm Oil in the palm oil and palm oil products sold by your company in the following regions:**

<b>Countries/Regions</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Europe	90.0
North America	10.0
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 achieve/obtain (or expects to achieve/obtain) the RSPO supply chain certification or RSPO trader/distributor licence?**

2015

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

2016

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

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

2022

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

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

2027

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**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**

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

Zschimmer & Schwarz Chemie GmbH offered the first RSPO MB-certified products in 2016 and is continuously increasing the output by installing further RSPO Supply Chain Certifications for the relevant production sites and the respective licenses for our distributors and trade partners. In addition, Zschimmer & Schwarz is steadily increasing the portfolio of MB-certified oil palm products which are actively promoted in business to business communications depending on the market development. In 2018, we launched our new company website and an image brochure, explicitly pointing out our RSPO membership and the commitment to the use of sustainably produced oil palm derivatives. Moreover, we started first CSPO related trainings for our business units and partners playing in markets traditionally not concerned by this topic yet. Most recently we started a shift towards more and more products that will exclusively be produced using certified oil palm derivatives even if we have to sell the finished products as conventional material due to lack of demand or missing RSPO certifications of our downstream users.

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#### 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)

Zschimmer & Schwarz will continue its efforts in broadening the product range of MB-certified oil palm-based products and will enhance the promotion thereof. As we consider the production and use of sustainable palm oil as part of our corporate responsibility and our commitment to a constant improvement regarding environmental protection issues, we will not stop encouraging our indecisive not yet certified partners, customers and suppliers to take part in the RSPO Supply Chain Certification System. This will include additional trainings, an extensive communication with our partners and the constant strive for identifying suitable supply chains and available certified raw materials needed for our production. Moreover, we are looking forward to achieving additional supply chain certificates for our not yet certified production sites. In general, a major portfolio shift towards more sustainable products is part of our strategic policy and so we are continuously checking our supply chain in order to increase the use of certified oil palm derivatives no matter how challenging the economic feasibility turns out.

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## 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](mailto:acop@rspo.org)*

### Labour & Labour Rights

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

Yes

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##### 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

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### Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

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

Yes

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##### 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

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### Land Use

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

No

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**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)?**

Yes

**5.5.1 Does the policy cover:**

- Identification and assessment of GHG
- Public reporting of GHG footprint
- Monitored implementation plan to reduce or minimise GHG emissions

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

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?**

No

**5.7.3 Do you have any future plans to support oil palm Independent Smallholders?**

No

**5.7.4 Please explain why you are not planning to support oil palm independent smallholders**

Discussion about future plans to support oil palm Independent Smallholders is quite new and a decision finally not made. Moreover, we currently do not have the impression that we are in the right place of the supply chain to have a crucial impact on this topic.

## 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

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### 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

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### 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

<https://www.zschimmer-schwarz.com/en/company/responsibility>