

Resolution 6e

Proposed Resolution to be adopted at the 10th General Assembly
of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)

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TITLE: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RSPO CODE OF CONDUCT

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The development of a globally accepted sustainable palm oil is no easy task and can only be achieved if all RSPO members are sincerely unified towards solving the many implementation problems presently confronting RSPO.

The proponents of this resolution recognize that there are often undesirable initiatives by certain stakeholders within the RSPO membership, who are publicizing some negative aspects of our efforts towards achieving sustainable palm oil development.

These negative initiatives although are not contravening current rules within the RSPO, the proponents of this resolution strongly believe that as members of the RSPO, we are ethically obliged to make it absolutely clear that a solution to unsustainable palm oil is indeed RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil.

Hence, the proponents of this resolution calls on all members, who currently or intends to, publicly announce the negative aspects of sustainable palm oil development must concurrently, with equal effort, publicize that RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil is a solution to these said negative aspects.

This resolution proposes to make two (2) additions (**namely 1.4 and 1.5**) to Article 1 of the present Code of Conduct

1. Promotion and Commitment

- 1.1. Member organizations will acknowledge their membership of the RSPO, its objectives, statutes and by-laws, the Principle and Criteria (P&C) and its respective national interpretations and implementation process through informed and explicit endorsement.
- 1.2. Members will promote and communicate this commitment throughout its own organization and to its customers, suppliers, sub-contractors and wider value chains where necessary.
- 1.3. Membership of the RSPO must be endorsed by a senior representative of the member organization
- 1.4. Members who publicly make statements on the negative aspects of unsustainable palm oil development must concurrently, with equal or more effort, publicize that RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil is a solution to these said negative impacts.**
- 1.5. Members must abstain from any association with external organizations making references or implying the negative aspects of RSPO standards.**