



A journey towards responsible palm oil

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Palm Oil **Innovation** Group



About POIG

The Palm Oil Innovation Group (POIG) aims to support the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) through building on RSPO standards, and demonstrating innovation in implementing RSPO existing standards as well as additional POIG standards. The POIG Charter builds on RSPO standards by setting out a framework for companies to remove forest destruction, peatland conversion and labour, and land and human rights violations from members' supply chains.

POIG focuses on three thematic areas: **environmental responsibility**; **partnerships with communities**; and **corporate and product integrity**.

POIG members



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What we do

The POIG Charter

Our Charter is the heart of the initiative, and sets the benchmark for responsible palm oil.

The Charter requires companies to adopt innovative tools such as the High Carbon Stock Approach, and strengthen existing High Conservation Value and Free, Prior, Informed Consent approaches.

Verification

POIG has developed a comprehensive set of auditable indicators which are used to verify compliance with the POIG Charter.

Palm oil producers build on their existing Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil audits and third-party auditors provide assurance that POIG verified oil meets POIG requirements.

Innovations

POIG brings together leading NGOs with palm oil producing companies, brands and other actors in the supply chain to share and develop leading practices to ensure that responsible palm oil becomes available in the market place.

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How to join POIG

Palm oil growers can apply for membership, provided that:

- The majority of company revenues are derived from palm oil cultivation
- At least 50% of their plantations (regardless of shareholding or location) are RSPO certified
- A full commitment to the implementation of the POIG Charter and POIG terms of engagement is made

NGOs can apply for membership, provided that:

- A full commitment to the requirements of the POIG Charter and adherence to the POIG terms of engagement is made

Retailers and manufacturers can apply for membership provided that:

- A full commitment to the requirements of the POIG Retailer & Manufacturer Charter and adherence to the POIG terms of engagement is made

Other sectors in the palm oil supply chain and in financing can apply for membership, provided that:

- A full commitment to the requirements of the POIG Charter and adherence to the POIG terms of engagement is made
- The organisation is willing to contribute to further POIG Charter components setting out requirements for its sector

Where the organisation is involved in more than one sector, all requirements for the sectors in which it operates must be met.