Welcome to the Final CPET Palm Oil Newsletter

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CPET has just published a special newsletter to provide information and guidance to businesses and government departments on sourcing baked goods and prepared foods made with sustainable palm oil and palm kernel oil and their derivatives. The newsletter, which can be found here, outlines the complexities in the palm oil supply chain, explains why sustainable palm oil and palm-based derivatives have been difficult to source in the past, and provides an overview of what manufacturers are currently doing to manufacture baked goods and prepared foods made with sustainable and traceable palm oil. It also provides a quick guide to sourcing certified palm oil in food products.

CPET Closure

CPET will be stopping its advisory and support service at the end of March 2016 due to government funding constraints. Please contact Efeca if you need assistance after March.

Over the past three years, CPET has developed a number of resources on sourcing sustainable palm oil. In order to ensure that these will remain available to the public, both <u>ZSL</u> and <u>Efeca</u> will be hosting the materials described below on their websites. After the end of March, Efeca can offer an alternative route for assistance.

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The UK statement on sustainable palm oil

Organisations in the UK that use palm oil agreed to work towards 100% sourcing of credibly certified sustainable palm oil by 2015. In October 2012, trade associations for palm oil using sectors, the government and the World Wildlife Fund agreed a <u>UK statement</u> on sustainable palm oil.

Government buying standard for food and catering

The Government amended the <u>Government Buying Standard (GBS) for food and catering</u> to include a new requirement about sourcing sustainable palm oil, palm kernel oil and derivatives. All food and catering products bought by central government must meet sustainability requirements by 2015.

Annual Consumption Reports on Sustainable Palm Oil in the UK

CPET has published three annual progress reports, including estimates of UK sustainable palm oil consumption, since 2013.

First progress report
Second UK progress report
Third progress report

The fourth and final report detailing the performance of the signatories against the 2015 commitment will be published in late 2016.

CPET Newsletters on Palm Oil

CPET published a series of newsletters providing advice and information on sustainable palm oil for UK businesses and government procurers. They cover UK annual consumption reports, other national palm oil initiatives, EU food labelling related to palm oil, case studies on company sustainable palm oil sourcing, the ZSL Sustainable Palm Oil Transparency Toolkit, palm oil in animal feed, updates on RSPO supply chain certification, Global Forest Watch map, and many other topics. These are listed here.

CPET also published two newsletters on the use of palm oil within specific product sectors. These are cleaning products and personal care products, and baked goods and prepared foods.

The <u>cleaning products and personal care products newsletter</u> provides information and guidance to businesses and government departments on sourcing cleaning products and personal care products made with sustainable palm oil derivatives. It outlines the complexities in the derivatives supply chain, explains why sustainable palm-based derivatives have been difficult to source in the past, and provides a quick guide to sourcing certified derivatives.

This <u>baked goods and prepared foods newsletter</u> provides information and guidance to businesses and government departments on sourcing baked goods and prepared foods made with sustainable palm oil and palm kernel oil and their derivatives. It describes which fractions and derivatives are present in foods, why sustainable palm oil and palm-based derivatives have been difficult to source, and what manufacturers are currently doing to manufacture baked goods and prepared foods made with sustainable and traceable palm oil.

FDF leaflet on 5 steps to Sourcing Sustainable Palm Oil

This simple <u>guide</u> sets out a step-by-step process to help food and drink manufacturers of all sizes get started on the journey of sourcing sustainable palm oil. It aims to help identify, prioritise and manage key palm oil supply chain risks and plan a strategic and actionable approach to sourcing palm oil more sustainably.

Presentation on 5 steps to Sourcing Sustainable Palm Oil

This webinar <u>presentation</u> contains an introduction to sustainable palm oil, and a walk-through of the 5 steps to sourcing sustainable palm oil, as laid out in the leaflet above.

Supplier questionnaire and data capture templates

This <u>questionnaire</u> outlines key questions to ask your suppliers when investigating the palm oil in your supply chain, and your options for sourcing sustainable palm oil. This basic data capture <u>template</u> lays out what data to capture from suppliers related to palm oil. It can be adapted and tailored to the needs of your organisation.

Comparison of the ISPO, MSPO and RSPO Standards

The Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil Standard, Malaysian Palm Oil Standard, and Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil Standard have been developed to ensure sustainability in palm oil cultivation and supply chains. Buyers may encounter these certifications while sourcing sustainable palm oil. This document, published by Efeca, helps to outline the key differences between the standards and aid buyer decision-making.

On behalf of everyone in the CPET team, thank you for your support and use of the service