

Palm Oil Roundup



What 2018 Has In Store for Sustainable Palm Oil

Darrel Webber, chief executive officer of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO), heads the industry association's global effort to break the link between palm oil—an increasingly in-demand commodity—and environmentally and socially devastating consequences such as deforestation, wildlife habit destruction, labour exploitation, and the violation of the rights of indigenous communities in tropical countries.

This is a big task, overseeing the business practices of companies which demonstrate a varying degree of corporate responsibility, placating critics who say that RSPO's sustainability standards are too low, and explaining the value of certified sustainable palm oil to increasingly conscious consumers. [\(Read the full story\)](#)

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P.O. in the News

SMEs Can Afford to Switch to Sustainable Palm Oil—Why Don't They? Small and medium enterprises (SMEs) have no excuse to avoid switching to sustainable palm oil today given the marginal cost increase involved, said businesses at a recent event on the topic in Singapore. [\(read more...\)](#)

Good Corporate Social Practices: A Look at Unilever's Supply Chain Transparency The palm oil industry has sometimes been associated with human rights abuses and adverse environmental impacts, including deforestation, soil pollution and erosion, water contamination, and threatening endangered species. However, meaningful efforts are being made to change that. [\(read more...\)](#)

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