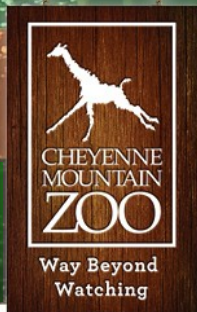


# Palm Oil Roundup



## Ecuador to Invest \$1.2bn in Palm Oil Sustainability & Innovation: 'There is a tremendous opportunity here'

In March this year, the Ecuadorian government brought together major actors from the country's palm oil supply chain, from producers to processors, and developed an ambitious and far-reaching five-year action plan to make Ecuador's palm oil supply chain more sustainable, including a USD\$1.2 billion investment.

Signed by the minister of agriculture and livestock, Rubén Flores, and minister of environment, Tarsicio Granizo, the interministerial agreement establishes the Inter-Institutional Committee for Sustainable Palm Monitoring (CISPS) and includes three technical working groups each with a specific angle.

One will focus on sustainable development, good agricultural practices and achieving RSPO certification ([read more...](#))

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### New U.S. RSPO Members

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- [Carando Gourmet Frozen Foods Corp.](#)
- [Church & Dwight Co., Inc](#)
- [LaBree's Bakery INC](#)
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## P.O. in the News

**Zero-Waste Palm Oil Industry on the Horizon with New Technology:** Engineers at the University of Nottingham Malaysia have developed new technology to help the global palm oil processing industry reduce CO2 emissions and create renewable energy from its waste. ([read more...](#))

**Hacking Sustainability for Smallholder Palm Oil Farmers:** Winners of the first Grow Asia Hackathon in Singapore dreamt up messaging app-based solutions to encourage smallholder palm oil farmers to adopt more sustainable agricultural practices. ([read more...](#))

