



Commitment to RSPO Certification

Siat Group of Companies runs oil palm activities in 3 subsidiaries companies as shown in the table below:

Subsidiary	Country	Ownership	Details	Status	Certificate
GOPDC	Ghana	100%	7 900 ha	P&C certified	March 15
			30 000 tons CPO	SCCS refinery	Apr. 16
			21 900 tons refinery	SCCS crusher	Apr. 16
				Scheme SH	March 18
PRESCO	Nigeria	60%	23 300 ha	P&C audited Oct.19	Not cert.
			43 700 tons CPO	R&CP ongoing	
			8 000 tons refinery	SCCS Refinery	Jun. 20
SNL	Nigeria	100%	16 500 ha	P&C certified	Oct. 19
			16 500 tons CPO	SCCS crusher	Oct. 19

SIAT Group has engaged to certify all its oil palm's activities against RSPO certification. This engagement is demonstrated through:

- The membership of Group SIAT to RSPO since 2004 (membership number 1-0005-04-000-00);
- The statement in the Group Policies signed on 7th of February 2014 and reviewed in September 2019 (*Group policies*);
- Certification P&C of GOPDC in March 2015;
- Certification SCCS of GOPDC in March 2016;
- Certification P&C and SCCS of SNL in October 2019;
- Certification SCCS of Presco Refinery in June 2020.
- Audit P&C of Presco in October 2019.

- Participation to RSPO P&C National interpretations 2018 for Ghana and Nigeria;
- Participation to RSPO Share responsibility working group in 2020 and 2021;
- Participation to RSPO Smallholder academy and other RSPO workshops.
- The respective RSPO action plans for the 3 subsidiaries;
- The *Group New Planting Procedure* signed March 2016, following rules of RSPO NPP version November 2015;
- The submission of *NPP report* for Sakponba plantation (the only extension of the group) and validation after 30 days of public consultation on RSPO website in November 2017;
- Presco and SNL renewal of all SIA in 2017;
- Presco and SNL all HCV assessment done between 2015 and 2017;
- The *Annual Communication of Progress Report* submitted to RSPO every year since 2010.

Time bound plan

The proposed certification schedule for the 3 subsidiaries for the year 2021 would be:

- GOPDC P&C and GOPDC SH, 6th surveillance audit February 2021.
- GOPDC SCCS crusher and refinery, 1st recertification audit February 2021.
- SNL P&C and SCCS, 2nd surveillance audit in June 2021.
- Presco SCCS refinery 1st surveillance audit in June 2021.
- Presco initial certification audit P&C and SCCS for the crusher in June 2020 (after acceptance of the R&CP for Ologbo estate).

Remediation and compensation

Compliance with the RSPO procedure on "Remediation and Compensation Related to Land Clearance Without Prior HCV Assessment": information sent to RSPO in July 2014, revalidated in December 2015 and relaunched in 2019. Evaluation of the liability ongoing through LUCA for Ologbo, Presco (the only plantation concerned by the R&CP process).

Extension / New planting

GOPDC and SNL no new planting.

Presco Sakponba, NPP approved.

Presco Sakponba extension 1, HCV submitted to HCV RN in October 2018, approved by quality panel in June 2019. ESIA done. Field verification done. LURI done. HCSA under reviewing by HCV RN from January 2021. NPP should be submitted middle of 2021.

Land dispute

Four complaints raised to RSPO against Presco Sakponba estate. One has been closed after mediation (Umiaghwa community). Two have been withdrawn due to lack of reaction from the complainants. One is under mediation (Oruarivie Community).

Scheme smallholders' certification

Presco does not have third party suppliers.

SNL buy FFB and Nuts from private farmers.

GOPDC has certified its Scheme smallholders (350ha, 207 farmers) in 2018. GOPDC outsource part of its FFB from scheme smallholders (3% in 2020), private (0,3%) and independent Smallholders (14% also called Outgrowers by GOPDC). Third party suppliers are not managed neither under control of GOPDC. They are well known farmers, that have planted GOPDC material and are duly geo-localized and referenced by the mill.

Requirements for uncertified management units

In the preparation of having the three subsidiary companies and the FFB outsourced certified, Siat Group states that they have mechanisms in place to ensure that the following requirements are presently being met across all the Siat Group palm oil palm operations:

- No replacement of primary forest or any area identified as containing High Conservation Values (HCVs) or High Carbon Stock (using HCS approach) or required to maintain or enhance HCVs and HCSA.
- No existence of conflicts or disputes occurs that are not under resolution through a mutually agreed process.
- No major labour issues occurs,
- No major legal non-compliances.

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