

SPOTT annual assessment - REA increases score from 75.7% to 79.8%

Each year the group participates in the Sustainable Palm Oil Transparency Toolkit (**SPOTT**) assessment by the Zoological Society of London (**ZSL**). SPOTT assesses palm oil producers, processors and traders on the transparency of their disclosures regarding policies, operations and commitments to environmental, social and governance (**ESG**) best practice.

The overall SPOTT score comprises 3 disclosure types, within which the number of assessment categories, indicators and companies changes each year:

- Organisation regarding the operations, assets and management structure
- Policy regarding the policies, commitments and processes that guide the operations and practices
- Practice regarding activities undertaken to actively progress towards targets and implementation of policies and commitments.

The 2020 assessments included 180 ESG indicators across 10 categories:

- Sustainability, policy and leadership
- Landbank, maps and traceability
- Certification standards
- Deforestation and biodiversity
- HCV, HCS and impact assessments
- Peat, fire and GHG emissions
- Water, chemical and pest management
- Community, land and labour rights
- Smallholders and suppliers
- Governance and grievances.

In the 2020 assessment, REA scored 79.8% , increased from 75.7% in 2019 and compared with an average score of 41.5% for the 100 palm oil companies assessed.