Programme overview



The Siak Pelalawan Landscape Programme (SPLP)

The SPLP aims to achieve sustainable palm oil production in Siak and Pelalawan in Riau, Indonesia. Siak and Pelalawan are home to more than 200 villages, spread over 2 million hectares. They are major palm oil-producing districts, with significant numbers of independent smallholders. They are areas of high environmental and social value, home to threatened species such as elephants, Sumatran tigers, sun bears, and endemic peat swamp species.

The Siak Pelalawan Landscape Programme (SPLP) brings together a coalition of eight companies working together to halt and reverse historical rates of deforestation, degradation of forests and peatland, while mitigating risk from fire and agricultural expansion. There are many land and labour-related issues in Siak and Pelalawan, and many of the 50 mills in the districts have not been exposed to much engagement or awareness raising related to NDPE (No deforestation, no planting on peat, no exploitation) production.

Established in 2018, the coalition is formed of member companies (Cargill, PepsiCo, Musim Mas, Unilever, Neste and L'Oréal) and supporter companies (Danone and Sinar Mas). The landscape programme works alongside existing sustainability initiatives, such as the Green Siak District Roadmap and the District Action Plan for Sustainable Palm Oil in Pelalawan, and has formed partnerships with the many CSOs and NGOs active in the districts.

Programme goals:

- 1. By 2025, palm oil produced in and sourced from Siak and Pelalawan districts is verified deforestation- and peatland development-free.
- 2. By 2025, in at least 50 high priority villages in Siak and Pelalawan the livelihoods of palm oil farmers and their communities has improved.
- 3. By 2025, palm oil in Siak and Pelalawan is produced with respect for human rights of workers and communities.
- By 2025, functioning multi-stakeholder partnership platforms are in place that include local government and provide clear governance and transparent reporting on sustainable palm oil production.

Three phases towards deforestation and exploitation free production:

Phase 1:

Implementation Design to gain a comprehensive understanding of the landscape, stakeholders and existing sustainability initiatives and to agree on the programme goals. This was completed in June 2019.

Phase 2:

Partnership Development to establish and integrate the programme into district-level multi-stakeholder platforms, with formal collaborations with district governments and local partners This phase includes confirming the financial structure and commitments from the coalition companies.

Phase 3:

Implementation and Monitoring to take action on agreed interventions, empower local organisations to contribute to objectives; and monitor progress against KPIs and programme goals.

Facilitation

SPLP is facilitated by the Consortium of Resource Experts (CORE), which is formed of Proforest and Daemeter: two leading organisations in the area of responsible sourcing and production of agricultural commodities with strong technical and practical expertise in developing landscape programmes.