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# RSPO P&C Review Update

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## Background

- P&C is due for its revision after **5 years** of implementation.
- RSPO intend that the process will be consistent with **ISEAL** best practices
- The TF aims to make decisions by **consensus**.



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## P&C Steering Group

The RSPO Executive Board established a **P&C Steering Group** in November 2012

### WHO?

- Chair of the Standard and Certification Standing Committee
- Chair of the Trade and Traceability Standing Committee
- Indonesian grower representative on the EB
- Malaysian grower representative on the EB
- RSPO Secretary General
- RSPO Technical Director

### WHAT?

- Identify facilitator
- Establish P&C Review Task Force

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## P&C Review Task Force

### WHO?

20 members from four interest categories

- Palm oil producers (8 members)
- Supply chain and investors (4 members)
- Environmental interest (4 members)
- Social interest (4 members)

### WHAT?

- Actively participating in all meetings and electronic discussions of the TF.
- Consulting with interested parties not directly represented in the TF and ensuring that their views are expressed within the discussion.
- Seeking to build consensus within the TF on how to address any issues which arises.



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## Process

### Phase 1 – Reviewing Relevance of the Generic P&C

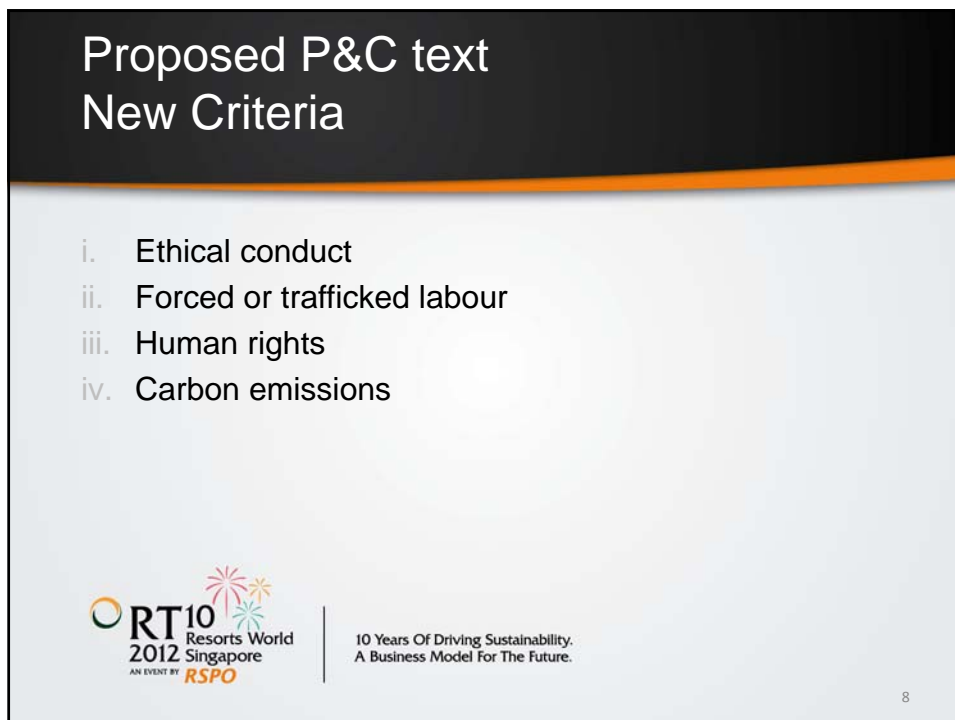
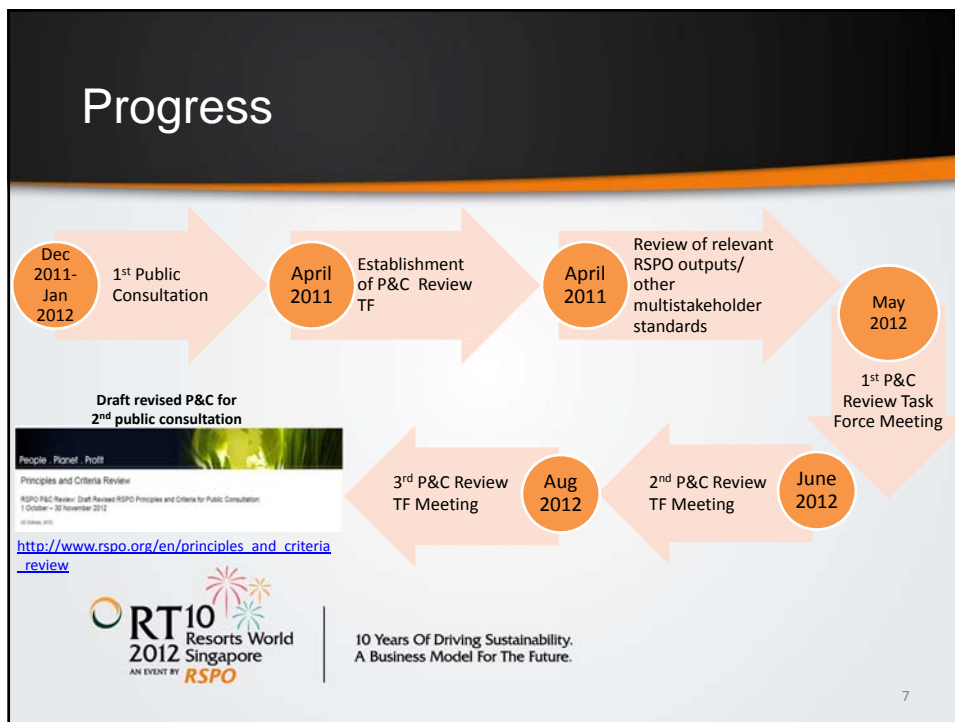
- Pre-consultation Jan 2012.
- P&C Review SG summarised outcome for phase 2.



### Phase 2 – Improving Effectiveness of the Generic P&C

- Jan 2012 - March 2013 improve effectiveness of the P&C through 2 rounds of public consultation
- Proposals developed by **P&C Review Task Force**.

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## Proposed New Criteria

### i. Ethical conduct

**Criterion X.X** *[location in the P&C undecided, suggested for inclusion within P1]*

**Growers and millers commit to ethical conduct in all business operations and transactions**

**Indicators 1.X.1**

There shall be a written policy .... which is implemented and communicated to all levels.

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## Proposed New Criteria

### ii. Forced or trafficked labour

**Criterion 6.X**

**No forms of forced or trafficked labour are used**

**Indicators 6.X.1**

No forced, bonded or trafficked labour

**Indicators 6.X.2**

There is a temporary or migrant workers labour policy.

**Indicators 6.X.3**

No contract substitution has occurred

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## Proposed New Criteria

### iii. Human rights

#### Criterion 6.X

**Growers and millers respect human rights**

#### Indicator 6.X.1

A policy to respect human rights shall be documented and implemented

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## Proposed New Criteria

### iv. Carbon emissions

#### Criterion 7.X

**New plantation developments are designed to minimise emissions and maximise sequestration, carbon stock conservation and emission avoidance**

#### Indicators 7.X.1

Areas with potentially significant carbon stock and potential significant sources of emissions shall be identified and estimated using existing processes:

- The potential significant carbon stocks in the development areas shall be identified as part of the HCV and soil assessments (see criteria 7.2, 7.3)
- Potential significant emission sources, sequestration and/or avoidance options shall be identified as part of the SEIA (see criteria 7.1)

#### Indicators 7.X.2

Management plans shall identify the planned measures for minimisation and/or avoidance of GHG emissions and maximisation of sequestration.

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## Proposed P&C text

### Sustainability – continuous improvement

#### What is being proposed?

**Transparency**

#### Example of new indicators

- P1
  - ✓ HCV documentation
  - ✓ Public summary of assessment report, including extent of certification of associated smallholders

**Clarifying the role of FPIC**

- P2
  - ✓ Extent of the disputed area/ recognised customary rights shall be mapped out in a participatory way
  - ✓ Communities are represented through institutions or representatives of their own choosing



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## Sustainability- continuous improvement

#### What is being proposed?

**Managing impacts**

#### Example of new indicators

- P4
  - ✓ Evidence of good agricultural practices are followed to manage soil fertility
- P5
  - ✓ Comprehensive management plan, incorporating a monitoring protocol and adaptive to changes in circumstances shall be implemented to monitor effectiveness of the mitigation actions
  - ✓ Where RTE species of HCV habitats, are present or are affected by the plantation or mill operations, appropriate measures that are expected to maintain and/or enhance them shall be put in place through a management plan that is implemented and monitored



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## Sustainability- continuous improvement

### What is being proposed?

Tackling GHGs



### Example of new indicators

- P3
  - ✓ Guidance references need to manage peat soils in the longterm
- P4
  - ✓ Peat subsidence shall be minimised – and BMPs for peat have been referenced
- P5
  - ✓ Guidance has been included to indicate that the use of the Palm GHG tool is the preferred way to report emissions
- P7
  - ✓ New criterion described above



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## Agreed timeline for RSPO P&C Revision 2012-2013 (as agreed by TF3 Members)

Date	Action
1 <sup>st</sup> October- 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2012	2 <sup>nd</sup> Public Consultation
Week of 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2013	TF4 (final task force meeting)
Week of 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2013	Submit final draft of revised P&C to EB
April/ March 2013	Extraordinary GA to vote on revised P&C



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Consultation

- Important DATE:  
**1 October – 30 November 2012**
- Important CONTACT:  
**Proforest, the facilitators for the review process**
- Important INFO:  
[http://www.rspo.org/en/principles\\_and\\_criteria\\_review](http://www.rspo.org/en/principles_and_criteria_review)
- Important TIP:  
**Provide recommendations with actual text changes at the **RSPO** booth or on the **computer terminals** set up**



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# Thank You



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