

STATEMENT

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Certified sustainable palm oil use on up-wards trend in EU

The first completed FEDIOL monitoring of certified sustainable palm oil shows that 46.73% of palm oil entering the refining plants in 2014 was already certified sustainable, a trend which is sustained in 2015 with the two first quarters reaching over 55% of certified sustainable palm oil.

Already over 80% of this palm oil was segregated or identity preserved as compared to the 20% that was traded under mass balance. Having investigated different certification systems, it seems that RSPO certificates represented over 84% and ISCC nearly 16%.

About 3.5 million tons of palm oil were used by FEDIOL reporting members in 2014 and refined either fully or in part, depending on the further application they were intended for. The same assessment was carried out for palm kernel oil for which 40% of a total volume of 240.000 tons used by FEDIOL members were certified sustainable in 2014.

FEDIOL, with the support of its members, intends to up-date regularly these figures in support of the RSPO plea for achieving 100% sustainable palm oil supply in 2020.

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Illustrations of the monitoring results can be found here.

¹ World consumption of palm oil amounts to 59.1 million tons (Oil World 2014)