

Moving Towards a Sustainable Low-Carbon Future

2024 achievements of the Colombian palm sector



Colombian Sustainability Strategy of the palm sector

Our ambition is for **Colombian palm oil to be recognized and appreciated in the market** for its commitment to sustainability

PILLARS OF SUSTAINABILITY



Colombia Sustainable Origin

More efficient and sustainable palm farming, which generates profitability for producers and improves the quality of life of palm communities.



Sustainable Markets

A more profitable agribusiness, recognized for its differentiated palm oil, and with new opportunities to generate value.



Governance

The efforts of palm growers are supported by concrete actions by other public and private actors, facilitating their path to sustainability.

Sustainability Index Adoption (2020-2024)



63%
Of producers meet the SIA



45%
Are smallholders

Overall performance **49%** compliance

Level of National Compliance in terms of crops



57%
Economic Axis



52%
Social Axis



37%
Environmental Axis

A sector obliged to sustainable palm oil production

390 Certified palm oil growers
Most implemented sustainability standards



32% of 2024 CPO* production holds a sustainability certificate
*CPO: crude palm oil

32% of cultivated area meet sustainability standards



APSColombia Certification
An origin that makes a difference



369
Certified palm oil growers (2023-2024)



65%
Certified smallholders



34%
Of certified growers are women



+18%
Of equivalent CPO is APS Colombia certified



2025 Goal 260
Certified palm oil growers

This certification seeks to ensure and demonstrate the promise of true value that aims to highlight its **sustainable and trustworthy origin.**

📈 Economic performance



4th
Worldwide palm oil producer **2,1%** of total global



1st Producer
in America



600,000 hectares planted with oil palm



8.064
Oil palm
growers

74%
Smallholders
(up to 20 hectares)

1,72
million tons
production

USD
1,86
billion Value
of production

10,5%
Out of Colombia's
Agricultural GDP

78%
Domestic
market

48%
Human
consumption

45%
Biodiesel

6,5%
Animal
feeding

22%
Exports



Environmental performance

Real-time satellite monitoring in partnership with



ensures transparency and sustainability of the palm sector

99% of palm oil plantations in Colombia are **deforestation-free**



It allows us to have

2 geovisores in operation

One private and one public with updated results of deforestation alerts in palm areas.

+6.400
Georeferenced
farms polygons
(2022-2024)

We make a difference through our commitment to **deforestation-free palm oil**



63,8% Of the CPO produced in Colombia is represented by palm companies that signed the Zero Deforestation Agreement

5,8 percentage points more than in 2023

Low-carbon oil palm agribusiness, on the way to carbon neutrality



Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) with a greater scope of Colombian palm oil 2021.



We were able to measure **36% of the fruit produced** and **85% of palm oil produced** in the four palm areas:

269
Palm crops

2,86
mill tons
Bunches of fruit



53
Mills

1,48
mill tons
Crude palm oil



182 Kg CO2e/Ton CPO Carbon footprint for crude palm oil
GHG emissions inventory

The Colombian oil palm sector is committed to **low-carbon practices:** Biomass use and clean energies



24
mills

have a composting system



19
mills

have biogas capture and utilization systems



23
mills

have generation and cogeneration systems



13
companies

generate electricity from biogas



iPositive impact if we cover all the ponds!

significant reduction in carbon footprint by

-666 KgCO2e/Ton CPO



Colombia's oil palm sector has great potential to be **eligible in advanced low-emission biofuel markets**

Social performance



Colombian palm oil is synonymous with **decent employment** and **social inclusion**

+233.000
total
employment

+17,5%
Direct
female
employment

72% of the workers have labor **contracts lasting more than one year** and they have an **average wage which is 1.4** times the current legal minimum wage regulated by the State



+86% Formal employment

4 percentage points more than in 2023



Committed to labor formalization and the promotion of labor practices through our **Sponsorship Plan**

1.400
direct
formalized
workers
(last 4 years)

239
productive
units
involved

87%
are
smallholders

26
palm-growing
clusters/associations
involved in the process

In partnership with:

Sectoral gender equity policy to close gaps

8 gaps were identified and tools were developed for training companies in basic concepts of gender, human rights and implementation of the gender approach.

Policy Pillar: Economic Autonomy

TOPICS

1 Care economy

2 Gender based Violence

3 Health

4 Education

5 Decision making

2.340
Respondents

135
Focus Group
Participants

51
Proposed medium-
and long-term actions

In partnership with: