

vandemoortele



**Sustainable  
palm oil  
progress  
report  
2015**

**As one of Europe's leading food manufacturers,** our margarines, culinary oils and fats and bakery products are consumed by millions of people.

**Palm oil is used as an ingredient in various of our products.**

Vandemoortele is convinced that, if produced responsibly, palm oil can be a sustainable raw material, as it has clear positive environmental and social attributes. Oil palm trees are highly efficient producers of oil. Compared to other edible oils palm oil has the highest yield per hectare. Palm oil production also plays a vital role in rural development and poverty reduction, particularly for smallholders in South East Asia and Africa. We are committed to supply our customers with palm oil that has no connection to deforestation or exploitation of the people living and working in the areas where it is being produced.

**After the publication of our Palm Oil Sourcing Charter in December 2014,** with ambitious targets for sustainable palm oil sourcing, this publication summarizes our progress towards compliance with the Charter.



1. Margarines, culinary oils and fats/ bakery products

## Our sustainable palm oil journey<sup>1</sup>



## Our 2015 objectives and results

**SOURCE 100% RSPO CERTIFIED PALM OIL FOR OUR CONSUMER BRANDS**

**IN 2015**

We used  
**44 700 tons**  
of palm oil

in our consumer branded products.

**SINCE 1 JUNE 2015**

**100%** of the palm oil for these products is certified sustainable

We make use of the three systems, Book & Claim, Mass Balance and Segregated.

**ACHIEVE 100% TRACEABILITY UP TO THE MILL LEVEL<sup>1</sup> IN OUR PALM OIL SUPPLY CHAIN**

**IN 2014**

**We committed to traceable, deforestation-free and exploitation-free palm oil.**

Our key target for 2015 was to achieve 100% traceability to mill level. Together with our suppliers we have started up a quarterly reporting system on traceability. In Q1 2015 23.62% of the purchased palm oil was traceable back to the mill.

**FOR Q4 2015**

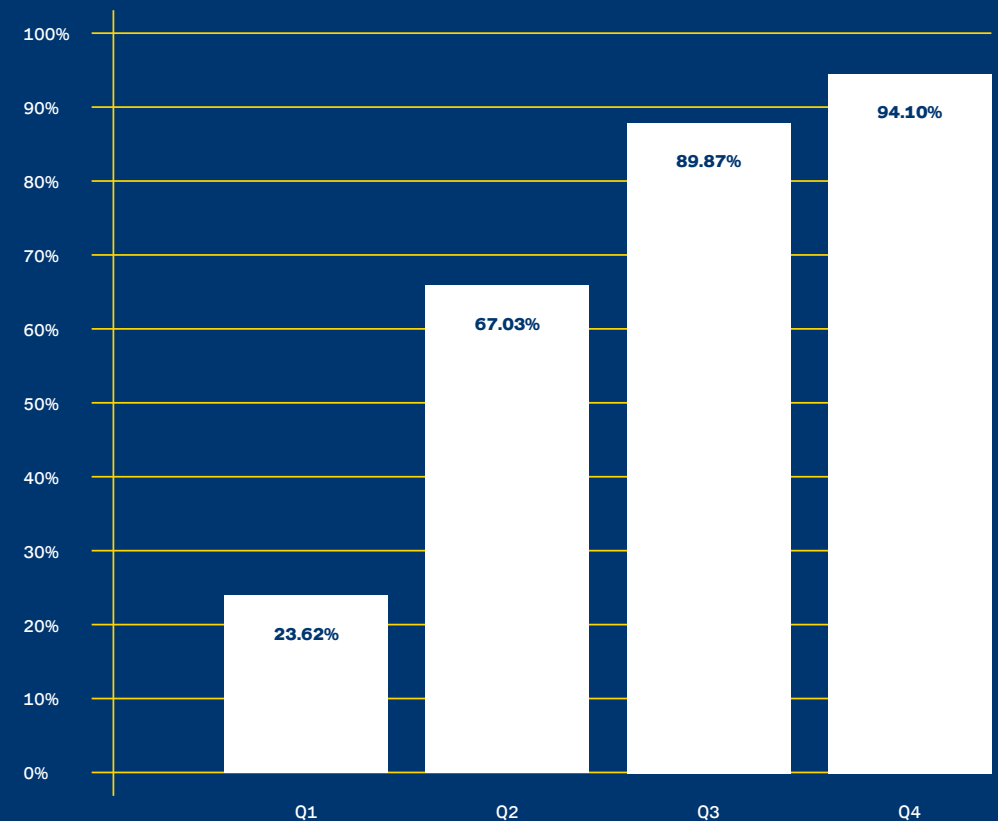
We can announce we have reached **94,10% traceability** back to mill<sup>1</sup>.

1. We consider mill traceability when owning the following information about the mill: mill parent company, mill name, mill coordinates, mill RSPO status. Cf graph next page.

## Mill Traceability progress

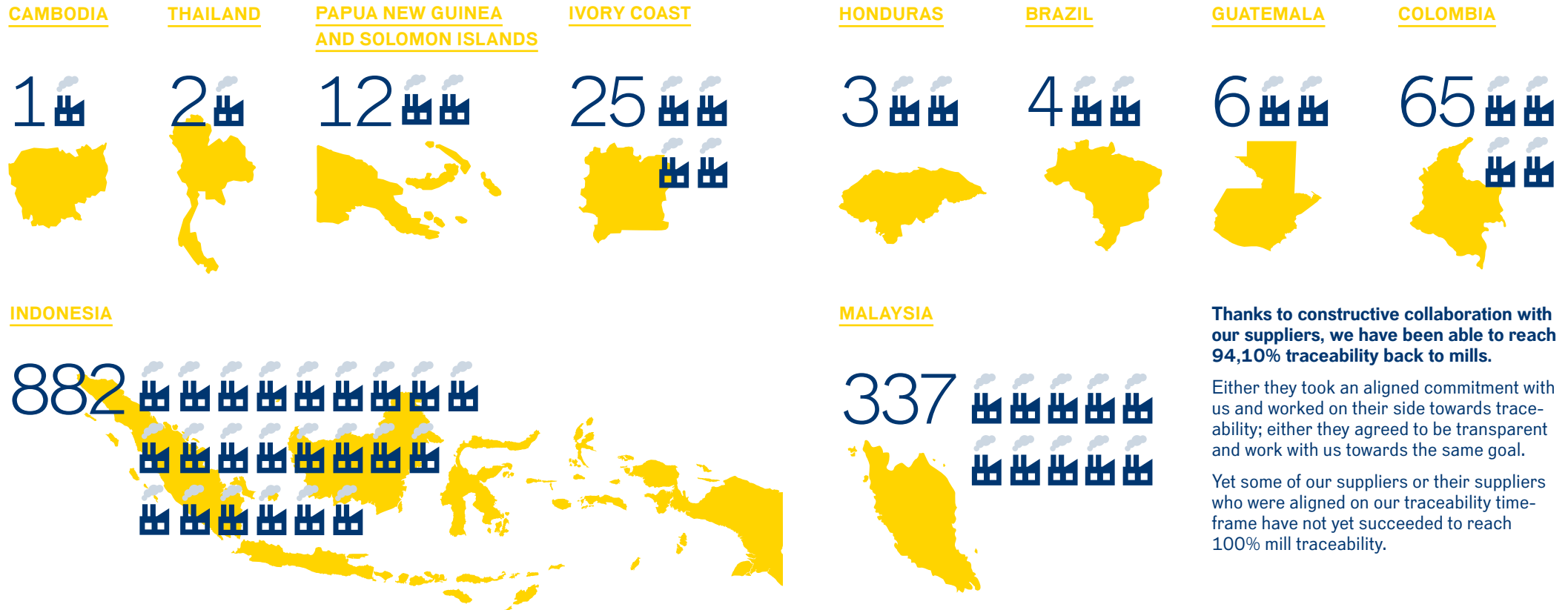


**2015**



# Our 2015 objectives and results

OUR SUPPLY BASE CONSISTS OF 1337 MILLS, LOCATED IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES:



**Thanks to constructive collaboration with our suppliers, we have been able to reach 94,10% traceability back to mills.**

Either they took an aligned commitment with us and worked on their side towards traceability; either they agreed to be transparent and work with us towards the same goal.

Yet some of our suppliers or their suppliers who were aligned on our traceability time-frame have not yet succeeded to reach 100% mill traceability.

## Outlook 2016 and beyond



### IN 2016

**We continue to engage our suppliers** to further improve our traceability number.

**We will continue working towards achieving 100% traceability back to mill.**

### IN 2017

**We will investigate how our company, together with its suppliers,** can make a concrete contribution to smallholder solutions starting from 2017 onwards.

### BY 2020

**Our aim is to achieve a deforestation-free and exploitation-free palm oil supply chain** by 2020.

**Therefore, we will strengthen our focus on following up the transformation plans** of our suppliers towards deforestation-free, exploitation-free palm oil and support them as appropriate.



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