

**The Kitbag**  
CERTIFICATION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

## A Jurisdictional Standard

...How it might work for RSPO

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## Jurisdictional Certification is not...

- ▶ Lowering standards
- ▶ Corporate control of standards
- ▶ Government control of standards
- ▶ Perpetuating colonialism
- ▶ Etc...



Before we begin...

**FORGET** everything  
you think you know about what  
'Jurisdictional Certification'  
means.



Let's start with a single idea.



Effective certification requires the cooperation of governments at all levels, researchers, policy makers, certification schemes, communities, producers, refiners, brands, academics and other stakeholders<sup>1,2</sup>.


<sup>1</sup>Pavel Castka, Danna Leaman, Diana Shand, Doris Cellarius, Tim Healy, Aroha Te Pareake Mead, Marina Rosales Benites de Franco, Anastasiya Timoshyna. 2016. Certification and Biodiversity – How Voluntary Certification Standards impact biodiversity and human livelihoods. Policy Matters, Issue 21. Gland, Switzerland: CEESP and IUCN.

<sup>2</sup>Fidelis E. Satrastanti, Voluntary certification standards have far to go, say experts. mongabay.com, 20 September 2016.



## Jurisdictional Certification is...


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- ▶ Working at the scale necessary to deal with issues
  - ▶ Removing impediments to certification
  - ▶ Working with as many players as possible
  - ▶ Providing market access for all producers
  - ▶ A means for market disruption
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## The goal

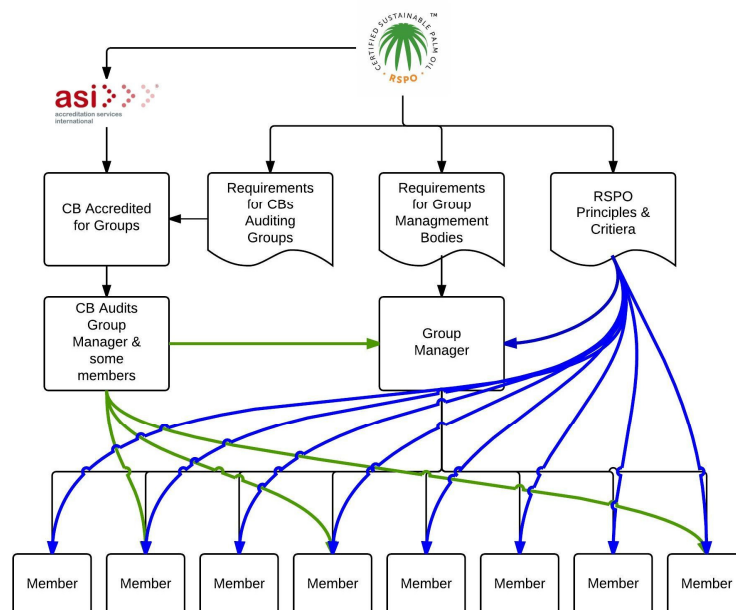
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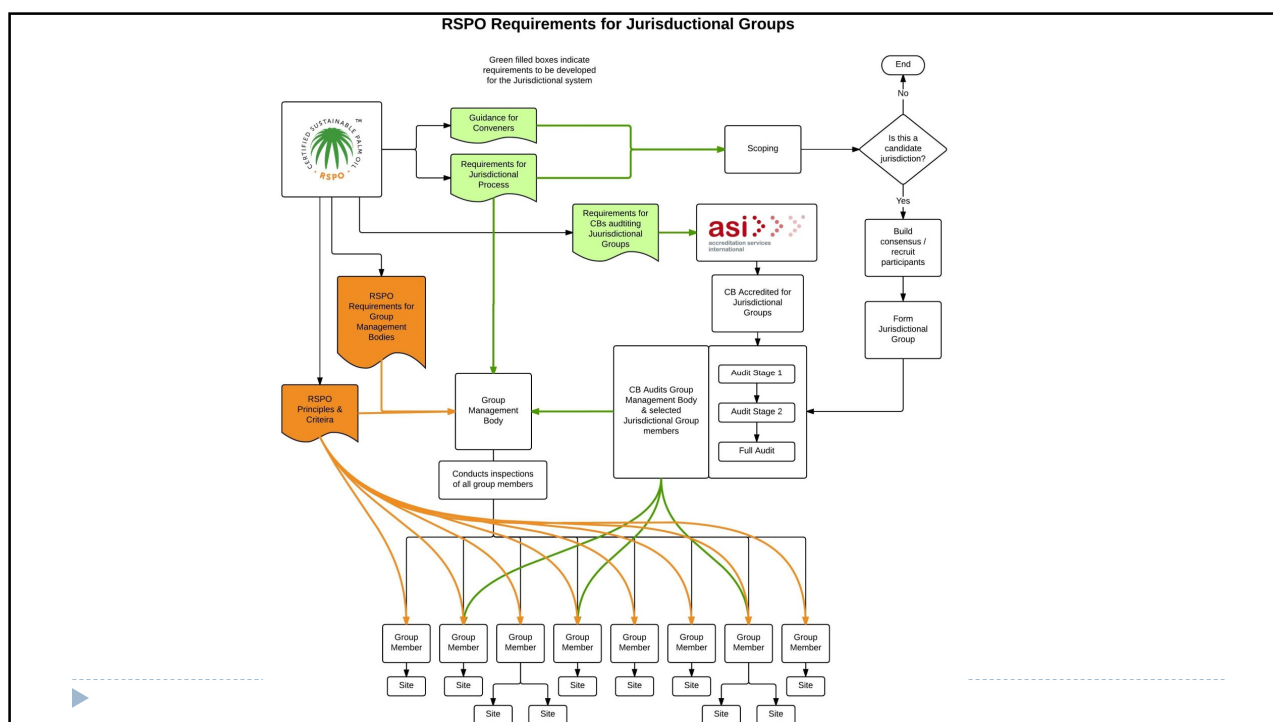
Develop and implement jurisdiction-wide solutions for issues that are difficult or may be impossible for individual operators to address. The difficulties may arise due to:

- Size of the operation
  - Available information
  - Management expertise
  - External partnerships
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## A proposed jurisdictional approach...

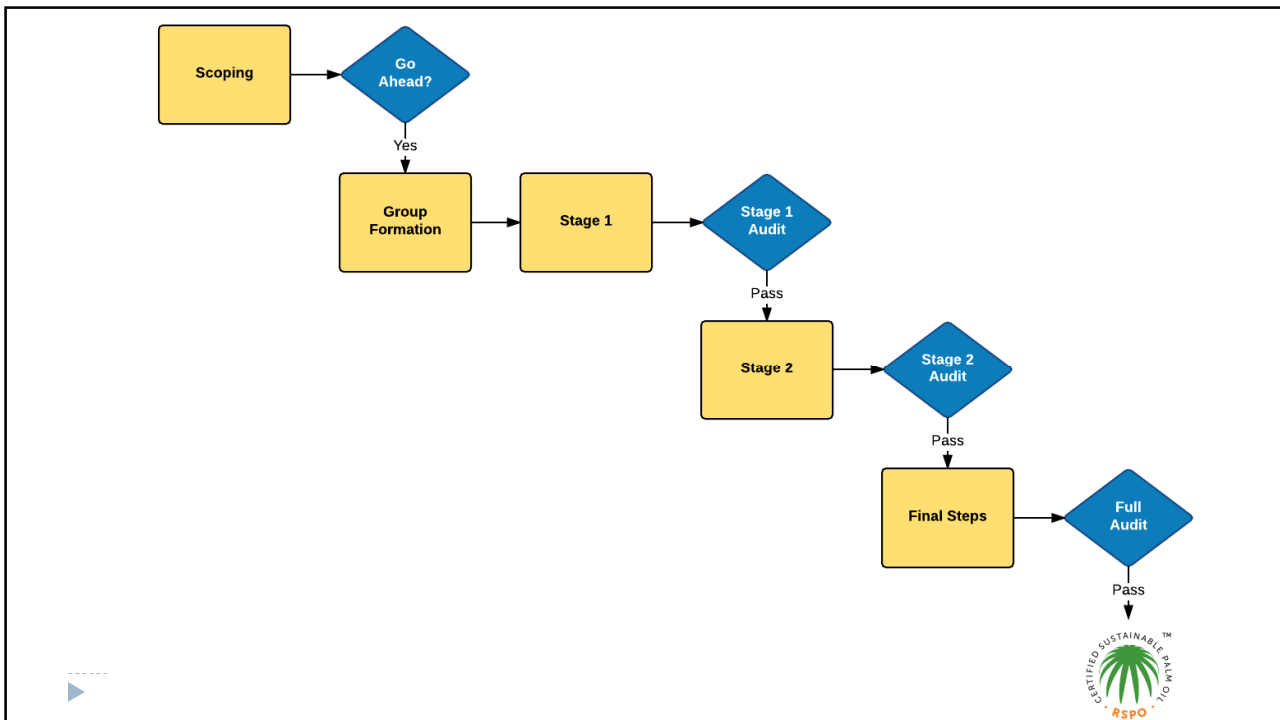
- ▶ Use existing RSPO systems wherever possible
- ▶ Build on the RSPO group requirements
- ▶ Introduce a stepped approach to certification that starts with solving landscape level issues
- ▶ Then build the procedures for a group system
- ▶ Audit in stages so that the big issues are dealt with first



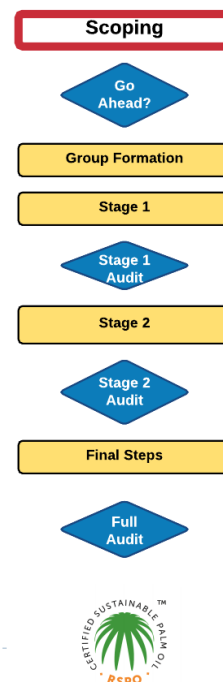


## The Participants...

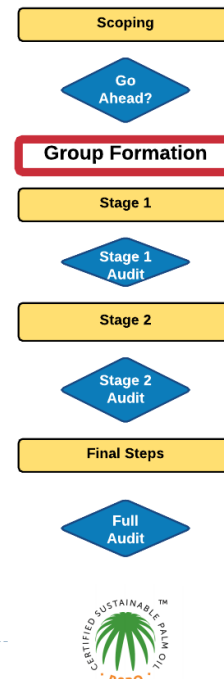
- ▶ A convener
- ▶ Organizations and individuals who are seeking RSPO certification
- ▶ National, provincial, state or local governments and government agencies
- ▶ Civil society groups
- ▶ Representatives of other industries that have a common interest in addressing jurisdictional areas in common with RSPO requirements, and
- ▶ RSPO (of course!)



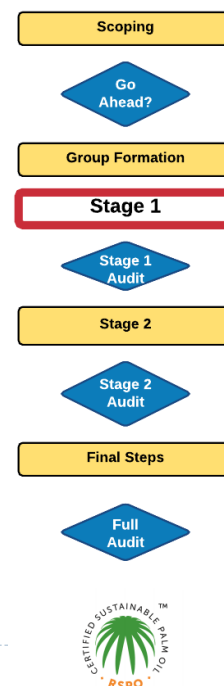
- ▶ Is this a candidate for Jurisdictional Certification?
- ▶ Is there enough interest?
- ▶ Are resources available?
- ▶ Are there compelling reasons to proceed?
- ▶ Are there compelling reasons not to proceed?
- ▶ Will participants stay with the process?



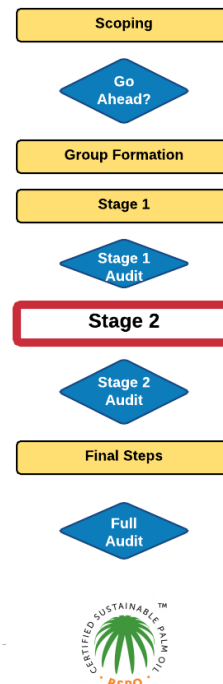
- ▶ Recruit members
- ▶ Agree roles
- ▶ Build support
- ▶ Formally start the group
- ▶ Begin data collection



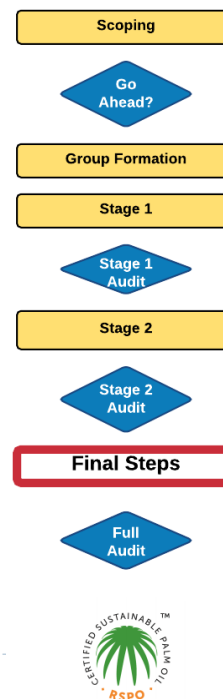
- ▶ Gather data & conduct:
  - ▶ HCV assessment
  - ▶ SIA
  - ▶ HCS
- ▶ Put solutions in place:
  - ▶ Compensation
  - ▶ Define GO/NO GO areas
  - ▶ Carbon policy
  - ▶ Put FPIC in place
  - ▶ Core group requirements & legal compliance
- ▶ AUDIT for Stage I



- ▶ Develop and put in place:
  - ▶ Systems for the proper treatment of workers
  - ▶ Systems for good agricultural practices
- ▶ All Group Members have put these into practice
- ▶ AUDIT for Stage 2

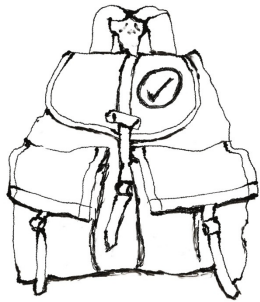


- ▶ Group completes all requirements
  - ▶ Develop and implement all Group System requirements
  - ▶ Internal inspections of all members for all RSPO requirements completed by the group
- ▶ FULL RSPO AUDIT





# Thank you



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