



## **Palm Oil - The Sustainable 21st Century Oil** Food, Fuels & Chemicals

Monday 23 - Tuesday 24 March 2009  
The Royal Society, London, UK

Organised by SCI's Oils and Fats Group



## Monday 23 March

### programme

- 10:30** Registration & refreshments
- 11:30** Introduction by chairman
- 11:35** **Keynote: The challenges facing palm oil in the 21st century**  
James Fry, LMC International, UK
- 12:20** **Sustainable palm oil developments in Malaysia**  
Mohd. Basri Wahid, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysia
- 12:50** Lunch
- 13:50** **Sustainable palm oil developments in Indonesia**  
Rosediana Suharto, Indonesian Palm Oil Board, Indonesia
- 14:20** **Sustainable palm oil developments in New Britain**  
Andrew Worrall, Pacific Rim/New Britain Palm Oil, UK
- 14:50** **Sustainable palm oil developments in Brazil**  
Marcello Brito, Grupo Agropalma, Brazil
- 15:20** Refreshment break
- 15:50** **Palm oil prospects in the USA**  
Gerald McNeill, Loders Croklaan, USA
- 16:20** **Recent Trends: Vegetable oils and tanker markets**  
Fred Doll, Doll Shipping Consultancy, UK
- 16:50** **Future prospects for palm oil in the 21st century: Biological and related challenges**  
Denis Murphy, University of Glamorgan, UK
- 17:45** Optional tour of The Royal Society
- 19:00** Drinks reception and conference dinner at the Oxford and Cambridge Club



## Tuesday 24 March

### programme

- 08:30** Refreshments
- 09:00** **Keynote: Nutritional aspects of palm oil**  
Tom Sanders, Kings College London, UK
- 09:45** **Minor components in palm oil and their health benefits**  
Kalanithi Nesaretnam, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysia
- 10:15** **Technological advances in food formulation based on palm oil**  
Noraini Idris, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysia
- 10:45** Refreshment break
- 11:15** **Future prospects for palm oil processing**  
Véronique Gibon, de Smet, Belgium
- 11:45** **Biodiesel from palm oil in comparison with other renewable fuels**  
Wolfgang Rupilius, Germany
- 12:15** **Palm oil methyl esters: Sustainable and environmentally friendly feedstocks for the oleochemical and biodiesel industries**  
Salmiah Ahmad, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysia
- 12:45** Lunch
- 13:45** **SCI's Oils & Fats Group International lecture: Life cycle assessments of palm oil and other vegetable oils**  
Erich Dumelin, Switzerland
- 14:15** **Greenpeace's view of palm oil**  
Speaker to be confirmed, Greenpeace, UK
- 14:45** **The potential of palm oil for developing countries and the role in the food and fuel debate**  
Yusof Basiron, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysia
- 15:00** **Response to Greenpeace: Promoting the production of sustainable palm oil in Indonesia**  
Derom Bangun, Indonesian Palm Oil Association, Indonesia
- 15:15** Open discussion
- 15:55** Close and departure

## **synopsis**

**Palm oil (PO) is the world's most widely produced and traded vegetable oil. It is predominantly used for food, but increasingly also used for oleochemicals and more recently as a feedstock for biodiesel.**

Indonesia and Malaysia dominate production of Palm oil and have done much to make the oil so important, but have also come under criticism for destruction of tropical rain forest. With world population projected to increase to over 9 billion by 2050, PO will become even more important for world food supplies.

### **What does the conference cover?**

During the two-day programme attendees at the conference will gain a comprehensive overview of the production, trading, processing, use and future prospects of palm oil. Delegates will hear much about the sustainability of palm oil cultivation and should come away with a good understanding of what more needs to be done to achieve true sustainability. This will also be a great opportunity to network with key people in the world-wide palm oil industry.

### **Who should attend?**

The conference will address the issues of production, sustainability and environmental degradation with knowledgeable speakers from many disciplines. It is aimed at people and organisations who use or have a general interest in PO particularly in the food industry, nutritionists, environmentalists, NGOs, shippers, traders, buyers and politicians. If you are involved in the palm oil industry in any way, you cannot afford to miss this conference.

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## venue

**The conference will be held at the prestigious facilities of The Royal Society in central London.**

### Conference Venue

The Royal Society is located in Carlton House Terrace, just off Waterloo Place, between Pall Mall and The Mall. It is close to Piccadilly Circus and Charing Cross stations, or 20 minutes through St James's Park to Victoria. Trafalgar Square and all bus services through it is very close by.

Designed by John Nash in 1827, this Grade 1 listed building has recently undergone a major refurbishment programme to provide first class meeting and dining facilities, with state of the art audio-visual services. Facilities for the disabled are available.

### Dinner Venue

The Oxford and Cambridge Club, within walking distance of The Royal Society, is arranged as in a large town house of the early 19th century. With its impressive facade it has been enjoyed by members of Oxford and Cambridge Universities since 1836. The decoration has been kept in the spirit of the period.

**Travel information will be sent to you with your confirmation letter**

## accommodation

**Please note: due to its city centre location, there is limited parking and this can be rather expensive. We strongly encourage the use of public transport.**

We have negotiated rates and reserved a number of rooms at various hotels which are all close to The Royal Society. To make a booking, please contact the booking agency directly, quoting the reference code listed below. There are only a limited number of rooms on hold and early booking is therefore strongly recommended.

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