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NESTLÉ'S INDIVIDUAL COMMITMENTS IN *act4nature*

Nestlé markets some one hundred brands of products in France for human consumption and for dogs and cats, for a turnover of a little more than 4 billion euros.

We have 23 production sites in France with 13,000 employees producing a little more than 3.5 million metric tons of finished products each year.

Individual commitments, along with the power of collective actions locally

The Nestlé group in France works in line with the Nestlé group's dynamic for the preservation of biodiversity in all activities. The group's website and its annual report give a public view of the results obtained and of our future commitments to these challenges. Most of our commitments will be phased in until 2020, with our progress and results being updated every year and made public.

- Commitment 18 on sustainable procurement:

By 2020, 80% of our 12 priority raw materials will be traceable and 70% will be sustainable (voluntary commitments verified by independent third parties), notably in terms of biodiversity.

- Commitment 41 on the conservation of natural capital, including forests: commitment for 2020 on "Zero Deforestation" for all of our supplies. Tropical forests are home to 70% of the world's biodiversity.

The resources that we have applied to verify these commitments include the Starling programme¹ launched in Paris in 2017 in collaboration with Airbus and TFT² and aimed at using radar and satellite images to verify our 2020 Zero Deforestation commitments and to dialogue with our suppliers.

Initiated for the palm oil sector in Southeast Asia, it will progressively be expanded to other concerned sectors on all continents.

We are convinced that all the stakeholders, no matter how large, cannot truly change things unless collective actions are undertaken alongside individual actions.

More specifically in France, we want to promote two essential collective initiatives directly related to our *act4nature* commitment:

Creation of the Alliance for Forest Conservation

Since 2014, Nestlé France has held the Vice Presidency of the French Alliance for Sustainable Palm Oil, whose objective is to transform the sector in France to achieve 100% certified supplies for all its members starting in 2015. This Alliance was essential for improving the footprint of a controversial sector responsible for a large share of the tropical deforestation in Southeast Asia.

With the results it obtained and its improved credibility amongst NGOs and the public authorities, Nestlé France actively contributed to its transformation into an "Alliance pour la Préservation des Forêts" (Alliance for Forest Conservation) on 11 April 2018. Its ambition is to mobilise all concerned sectors (cacao, coffee, wood, soybeans, rubber, palm oil, paper, etc.) for a threefold objective:

- Achieve our "Zero Deforestation" objective for 2020 more effectively;

- Share monitoring tools, projects, resources, etc. with all stakeholders, notably through the multiplication of multisector "territorial projects";

- Actively contribute to the SNDI (National Strategy against Imported Deforestation) put forward by the French government with the creation of a joint platform (NGOs, public, private) and a support fund for producer countries to combat deforestation.

Putting living soil back into the heart of the stakes facing the agricultural sector in France

Over 70% of the environmental impact (carbon, water, biodiversity) of our products lie upstream in agricultural production. The worldwide problems of erosion and the progressive "death" of farmland are particularly acute in France, as it is estimated that more than 90% of the soils in France lose organic matter each year.

Beyond the "Preference" progress strategy which, for over 7 years, has been mobilising the three priority sectors (grain, potatoes and pork production) and more than 400 producers and breeders, Nestlé has been mobilised in 2017-2018 to promote "agriculture on living soil" in France.

Taking inspiration from the work by pioneer farmers in the field, notably in the APAD farmers' network, and with the support of the expertise of the teams at TFT for the transition of our supply chains, Nestlé is launching several pilot programmes in France directly with producers or in connection with agricultural cooperatives.

¹ <http://www.starling-verification.com/>
² <http://www.tft-earth.org/>

This initiative should have a ripple effect in all areas where it is to be launched (our main supply basins in France) to unite all the stakeholders (farmers, cooperatives, other industries, distributors, Chambers of Agriculture, Water Agencies, etc.) to preserve soils directly in keeping with the orientations C & D laid down by the SNB (National Biodiversity Strategy).

The heart of this work is agronomic, making it possible to sustainably eliminate the systematic use of synthetic fertilisers and pesticides in our current agricultural model, probably with a strong impact on ecosystems and human health.

At 23 industrial sites in France, Nestlé processes over 700,000 metric tons of raw agricultural materials, 70% of which are French in origin.

The group's ambition in France is to be able to ensure our consumers that, by 2025, 100% of these raw materials will come from farms committed to the soil conservation agricultural model or from organic agriculture, recognised by official labels issued by the public authorities (such as Haute Valeur Environnementale [High Environmental Value] or Agriculture Biologique [Organic Agriculture]).