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Apical's Sustainable Aviation Fuels Joint Venture with Cepsa Takes Flight

Apical, through its renewable energy subsidiary Bio-Oils in Huelva, Spain, has established a joint venture with Spanish energy company Cepsa to produce second generation (2G) biofuels and sustainable aviation fuels by constructing the largest plant in Southern Europe. The joint venture will entail an investment of up to €1 billion, one of the largest private investments in the history of the southern Spanish region of Andalusia. The alliance marks Apical's entry to the sustainable aviation fuels (SAF) market and a key milestone in RGE's strategy to produce a range of fuels to decarbonise aviation, maritime and land transportation. Apical will provide the majority of the feedstock supply for the plant from its agricultural waste and residue through a global, long-term agreement with Cepsa.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3A6jcn5>



Apical Showcases Sustainable Palm Oil at POC 2023

Apical participated in the Palm & Laurics Oils Price Outlook Conference and Exhibition (POC 2023) in March 2023. It connected with customers from across the globe, and networked with new prospects. Adding to the event's prestige, Apical had the honour of hosting the esteemed presence of Dato' Sri Haji Fadillah bin Haji Yusof, Malaysia's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Plantation and Commodities at its stand.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/41lqg5B>



Driving Greater Understanding of Palm Oil

Apical, in collaboration with Sawit Indonesia Magazine, recently organised a series of initiatives aimed at raising awareness about healthy palm oil among Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) operating in the food and culinary sector. The campaign took the form of a dynamic talk show and an engaging food creation competition, with the goal of advocating for the increased utilisation of palm oil in the food industry.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3OyJln4>

Apical Exhibits at Gulfood 2023!

Apical showcased its products at the Gulfood exhibition in Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates. Gulfood is considered the world's largest annual food and beverage exhibition. As a pioneer in sustainable food production, Apical showcased its innovative practices and products to a diverse range of exhibitors and attendees. Through its participation, Apical aims to further expand its footprint in the F&B industry. Pratheepan Karunakaran, Apical's Executive Director also spoke on a panel at the Gulfood conference. He highlighted the importance of sustainable transformation in the palm oil sector, underlining Apical's commitment to pursuing global growth opportunities while upholding its core values of sustainability and transparency.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3Wweiug>



Apical Partners Government to Provide Affordable Cooking Oil

Apical is playing a critical role in supporting the government's initiative to provide its citizens with access to affordable cooking oil. Through its MINYAKITA programme, an initiative jointly launched with the Indonesian Ministry of Trade in 2022, Apical aims to provide fair and equal access to affordable cooking oil for the public. Apical, together with the government, creates collaborative efforts to maintain the price of cooking oil at the highest selling price of IDR 14,000 per litre. Apical believes that this initiative will benefit both Indonesians and the domestic industry, which is align to Apical's business philosophy on the importance of giving back to the communities and countries in which it operates.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3pV8vSx>



Enhancing Livelihoods by Nurturing Communities

Apical and Yayasan Inisiatif Dagang Hijau (IDH) signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the Sustainable Living Village (SLV) Programme. In alignment with the Transformative Partnerships and Inclusive Progress pillars of the Apical2030 sustainability commitment, the SLV programme strives to alleviate poverty, uplift and nurture communities by implementing tailored initiatives suited to different communities.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3MtRmqK>



Apical and Tanoto Foundation Launch New Early Childhood Centre

Apical and Tanoto Foundation, in collaboration with the Government of the Jakarta Special Capital Region and Indonesian non-profit organisation T.CARE, have launched a new early childhood centre in Ciracas, East Jakarta. The new Rumah Anak SIGAP (SIGAP children's home) has been set up to help improve the quality of early learning and childhood care for children aged 0-3 years. The new Rumah Anak SIGAP was constructed with funding from residents in Jakarta, primarily in the Kelapa Dua Wetan area in Ciracas, derived from the sale of used cooking oil (UCO) from the local community to Apical. The SIGAP initiative - 'sigap' means 'energetic' or 'ready to take action' in Bahasa - is Tanoto Foundation's umbrella initiative in Indonesia to work with partners to bring about early childhood impact at scale for young children.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3WnyrSY>





Stunting Commitment in Our Operations

Apical signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Office of Population Control and Family Planning, to support the Government's efforts in preventing and reducing stunting rates in Dumai, Balikpapan and Marunda. In order to reduce stunting rates, Apical carried out nutrition counseling; provided nutritious food for pregnant women; and handed over hundred packages of nutritious food assistance in the form of milk, green beans and bread for children under the age of five (5) years.

SMILE Programme Continues to Improve Smallholders' Livelihoods

Apical, together with its strategic supply partner Asian Agri and customer Kao, introduced the SMILE programme in 2020 to improve smallholder livelihoods. The programme addresses the challenges smallholders face as they strive to enhance palm oil production while meeting the market's stringent sustainability requirements.

In May 2023, Apical, Asian Agri, and Kao have embarked on a joint visit to the Koperasi Unit Desa (KUD) of the smallholders - KUD Anugerah in Riau. The event encompassed a constructive dialogue session between the smallholders of KUD Anugerah and representatives from the three companies. During the dialogue session, the SMAllholder Inclusion for better Livelihood & Empowerment (SMILE) programme was introduced and the roles played by Apical, Asian Agri, and Kao were explained to attendees. The participants also had the opportunity to participate in a guided tour of the smallholder plantation, school area, and residences, enabling them to gain valuable insights into the local community's efforts in promoting sustainable agricultural practices.



The SMILE programme has made tremendous strides since its inception in October 2020, with 3,018 smallholders engaged and 390 smallholders certified by the RSPO. The SMILE programme plans to audit three new KUDs in 2023, with participation from approximately 1,105 smallholders in North Sumatra and Jambi.

To read more, click here: <https://bit.ly/3pWqCYI>



Achievements

Apical's operation in Dumai, PT Sari Dumai Sejati (PT SDS) was once again named as the exporter with the largest duty at the 2023 Dumai Customs Award in February. An award was presented by the Head of Dumai Customs and Excise, Ristola S.I. Nainggolan, as an appreciation for the exceptional contribution to the state's revenues.

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