

## **RSPO Accreditation of HCV Assessors**

### **Third Invitation for Applications**

This is a third call for applications for RSPO approval as HCV assessors.

We invite HCV practitioners from all areas of the world where palm oil cultivation is taking place to submit their applications for approval.

Successful applicants will be officially acknowledged as RSPO approved HCV assessors in a list available on the RSPO website. This list will provide a pool of qualified expertise from which member stakeholders can select consultants for HCV assessments, especially in respect to new plantings.

#### **Please note:**

**The RSPO “NP Guidelines” applicable to new plantings (Principle 7.3) and effective 01 January 2010 require RSPO members to use RSPO approved assessors.**

To apply for approval please complete the attached form and return it to [jutta@rspo.org](mailto:jutta@rspo.org), together with:

- your latest CV
- relevant academic transcripts
- proof of participation in HCV-RN workshops/training/membership
- examples of your work (1. authorship, full text). This can be in the form of scientific papers, portions of reports etc.

**1. The document “Qualifications and Experience for HCV assessors: Draft Guidance for RSPO” outlines required qualifications in order to obtain accreditation, and can be downloaded from the attachment below.**

- **Applications will be made available for Public Comments for 15 days before a final decision on approval.**
- **HCV assessment reports produced by RSPO approved assessors will need to be copied to the BTC ([jutta@rspo.org](mailto:jutta@rspo.org)) and may be subject to independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party review.**

This call for application is valid until **15 May 2010.**