FORESTS & FINANCE The banks and investors exposed to deforestation risks in Southeast Asia, Central and West Africa and in Brazil















Brief History of F&F

- Launched in 2016
- Initially a joint project by TuK Indonesia, Profundo and RAN
- Until now the website had:
 - A searchable database of financial flows to forest-risk commodity companies in SEA
 - Assessments of the relevant policies of the 30 most important financial institutions for the forestrisk sector in SEA
 - Case studies highlighting client operations, including violations of bank policies

Is Malaysia's CIMB serious about addressing deforestation?

by Gulzhan Musaeva on 19 August 2020



- Financial journalists and analysts covering ESG-related stories
- Using dataset generate stats, bespoke graphs
- Campaigners use dataset and policy assessment to show client-bank

Banks responsible for continuing deforestation in Southeast Asia

Forest-risk companies in Southeast Asia tend to rely almost entirely on debt financing. In view of this leverage, banks can be deemed directly accountable for deforestation and related offences committed by their borrowers.



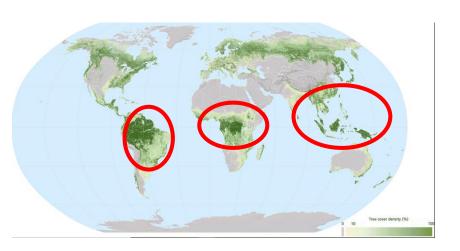
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Koh Jun Lin

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F&F Expansion

- For the first time, the database will also cover Brazil and Central and West Africa
- It will also, for the first time, include the beef and soy sectors, major drivers of deforestation in Brazil
- The policy assessment will be extended to cover 100 Banks and 100 Investors (expected to be launched early 2021)
- We are working on a redesign of the website, which will make it easier to do searches, providing better visualizations
- As part of this expansion, we are also increasing the Forests and Finance coalition. New partners include:
 - Amazon Watch
 - BankTrack
 - Repórter Brasil



Presentation of the new Findings

- 51.136 financial deals identified
- ▶ USD 153.2 billion in credit since the Paris Climate Agreement
- Investment of USD 37.3 billion in 2020 (April)



Forests & Finance: Methodology and Findings

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Overview

- Research methodology
- Findings
 - Analysis of creditors
 - Analysis of investors
 - Bank portfolio examples





Research methodology

Details on how the research was conducted



Research methodology

- Company selection
- Data sources
- Limitations of data sources
- Calculated elements
 - Deal contributions
 - Segment adjusters
 - Geographic adjusters





Methodology: Deal contribution

- 2016 Sinar Mas subsidiary Ivo Mas Tunggal attracted US\$ 150 million loan
- 7 banks, 5 bookrunners, bookratio 0.4
- Bookrunners 75% = 15% each

Bank	Country	Per Investor Value (in mln US\$)	Percentage of Tranche Amount
First Abu Dhabi Bank	United Arab Emirates	18.75	12.50%
Bank Mandiri	Indonesia	22.50	15.00%
CIMB Group	Malaysia	22.50	15.00%
Citigroup	United States	22.50	15.00%
Malayan Banking	Malaysia	22.50	15.00%
Rabobank	Netherlands	22.50	15.00%
State Bank of India	India	18.75	12.50%



Methodology: Segment adjuster

- Kuala Lumpur Kepong (KLK) has five reportable operating segments:
 - Plantation; Manufacturing; Property Development; Investment Holding, and Others.
- Segment capital expenditures
- Adjusters for palm and rubber are based on planted area proportions applied to Plantation; Manufacturing segment data

Company	Year	Туре	Bank	Value (US\$ mln)	Palm oil	Rubber
KLK	2019	Bond issuance	CIMB Group	119.39	110.52	5.74
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Methodology: Geographic adjuster

- Kuala Lumpur Kepong (KLK) operates a palm company in Liberia -Equatorial Palm Oil
- No rubber or other forest-risk operations
- Geographic adjuster based on planted area proportions in Liberia and Southeast Asia
 - Liberia palm oil planted area = (13007/213377) = 6.1%
 - Southeast Asia palm oil planted area = (200370/213377) = 93.9%

Year	Bank	Value (US\$ mln)	C&W Africa Palm oil	C&W Africa Rubber	SEAsia Palm oil	SEAsia Rubber
2019	CIMB Group	119.39	3.32	0	107.21	5.74
2019	Maybank	119.39	3.32	0	107.21	5.74



Methodology: Deal contribution

- 2019 Marfrig US\$ 736 million share issuance
- 9 banks, 4 bookrunners, bookratio 1.25
- Bookrunners 75% = 18.75% each
- Participants 25% = 5% each

		Per Investor Value	Percentage of Tranche
Bank	Country	(in mln US\$)	Amount
JPMorgan Chase	United States	138.03	18.75%
Santander	Spain	138.03	18.75%
Banco do Brasil	Brazil	138.03	18.75%
Bradesco	Brazil	138.03	18.75%
Banco do Brasil (Securities)	Brazil	36.81	5.00%
Bradesco (Securities)	Brazil	36.81	5.00%
Jefferies Financial Group	United States	36.81	5.00%

Methodology: Segment adjuster

- Klabin has four reportable operating segments:
 - Forestry; Paper; Conversion, and; Pulp.
- Segment capital expenditures
- The pulp & paper adjuster = Paper, Conversion and Pulp segments.
 The timber adjuster = Forestry (includes the sales to third parties).
 - Pulp & paper = (392462+78820+1592536)/2500649 = **82.53**%
 - Timber = 436831/2500649 = 17.47%

Company	Year	Туре	Bank	Value (US\$ mln)	P&P	Timber
Klabin	2020	Bond issuance	Bradesco	33.33	27.51	5.82
Klabin	2020	Bond issuance	HSBC	33.33	27.51	5.82



Methodology: Geographic adjuster

- Minerva is a 100% beef company
- Operations in Brazil, Argentina, Colombia, Paraguay and Uruguay.
- Geographic adjuster based on slaughtering capacity in Brazil.
 - Brazil proportion capacity = 10980/25480 = 43.1%

Year	Bank	Value (US\$ mln)	Beef overall F&F	Beef Brazil
2020	JPMorgan Chase	44.42	19.14	19.14
2020	Banco do Brasil	44.42	19.14	19.14
2020	Bradesco	14.81	6.38	6.38
2020	Itaú Unibanco	14.81	6.38	6.38



Research findings: Creditors

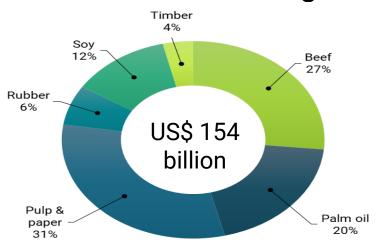
Providers of loans and issuance underwriting services

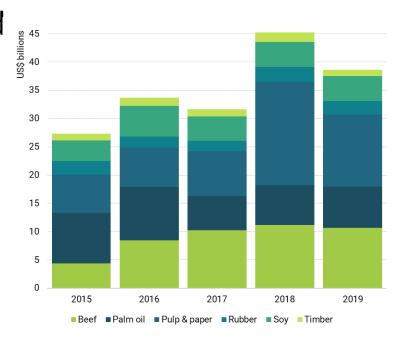


Creditors: Overall findings

US\$ 154 billion since 2016

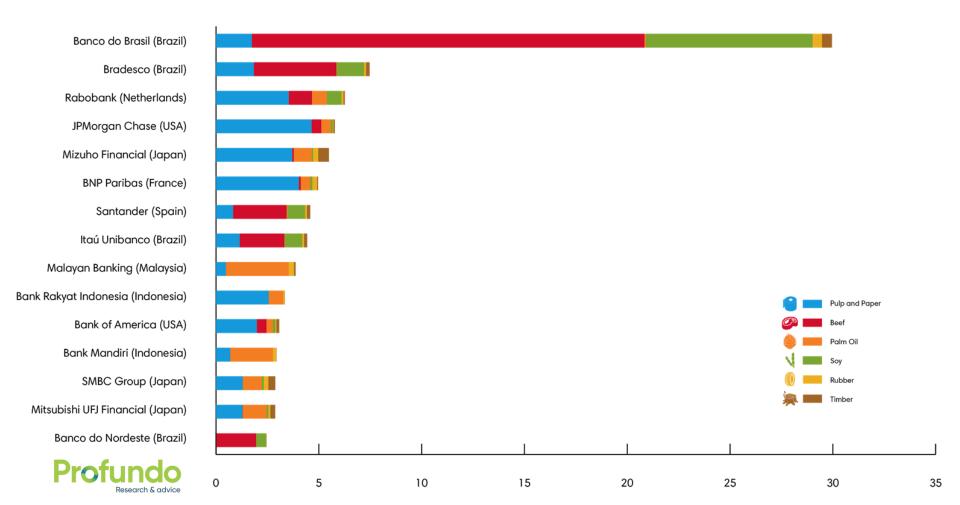
Overall increasing trend





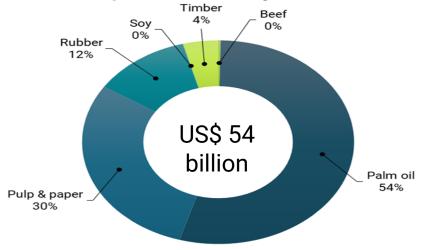


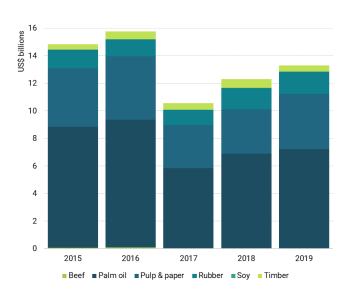
Top 15 Global Creditors by Sector, 2016-2020 (April) (USD billion)



Creditors: Southeast Asia

- US\$ 54 billion since 2016
- Dip in 2017, gradual increase again



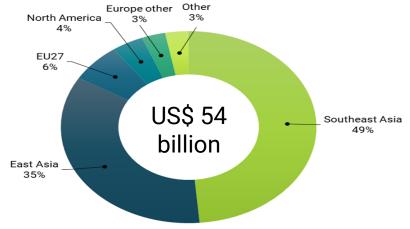




Creditors: Southeast Asia

- Asian banks 84% of total
- Southeast Asian banks
 - 57% of palm oil and
 - 45% of pulp & paper
- East Asian banks



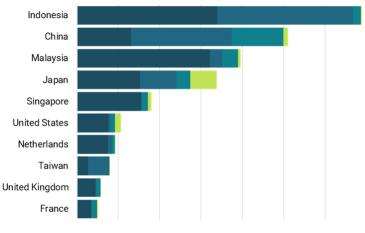




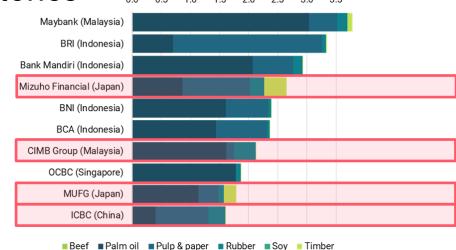
Creditors: Southeast Asia

- 92% of credit provided by 10 countries
- 46% by 10 banks

4 of these are UN=PRB signatories



■ Beef ■ Palm oil ■ Pulp & paper ■ Rubber ■ Soy ■ Timber





US\$ billions

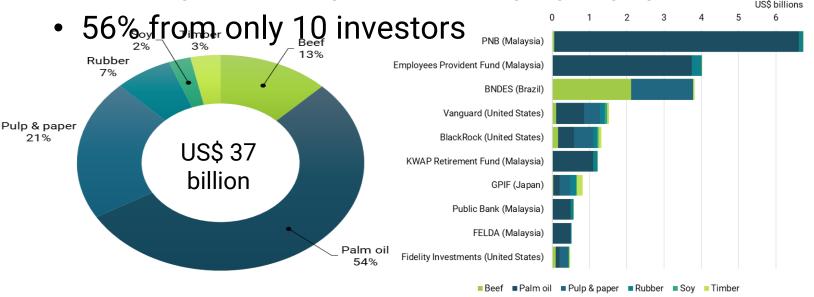
Research findings: Investors

Investors in bonds and shares



Investors: Overall findings

- US\$ 37 billion at most recent filing date in April 2020
- Three quarters in palm oil and pulp & paper

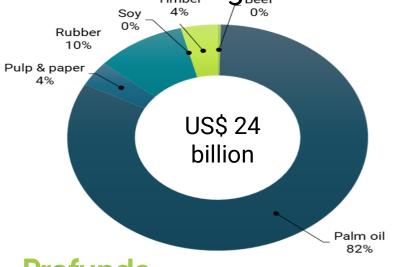


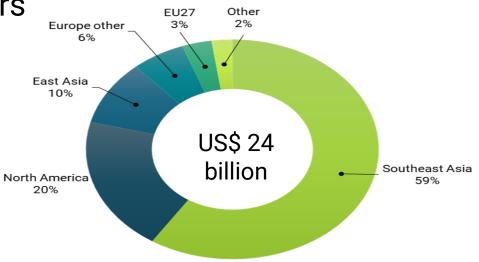


Investors: Southeast Asia

- US\$ 24 billion at most recent filing date in April 2020
- Vast majority in palm oil

60% from regional investors



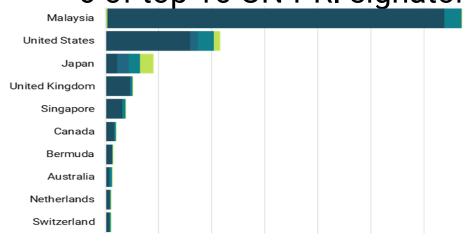


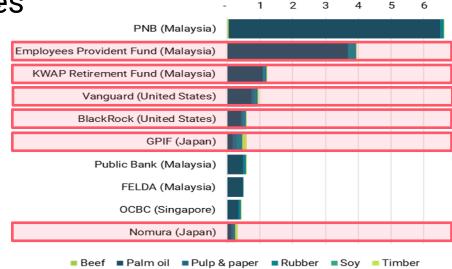
Investors: Southeast Asia

- Malaysian investors (56%) & US investors (18%) dominate
- Top 3 investors all Malaysian government linked

• 6 of top 10 UN-PRI signatories

■ Pulp & paper
■ Rubber
■ Soy
■ Timber







■ Beef ■ Palm oil

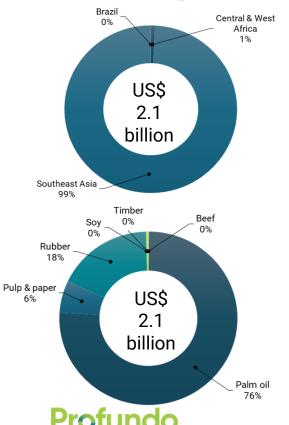
US\$ billions

Research findings: Bank portfolios

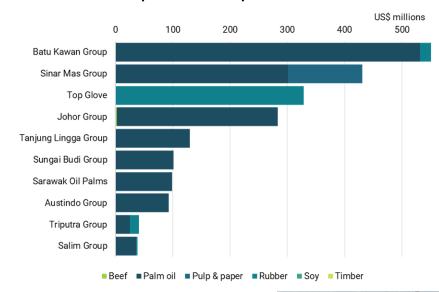
Examples of bank forest-risk client portfolios

Bank portfolio: CIMB Group





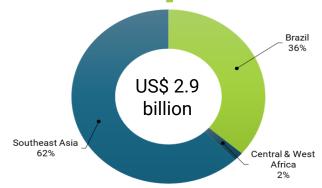
- US\$ 2.1 billion since 2016
- Almost all in Southeast Asia
- Three quarters in palm oil

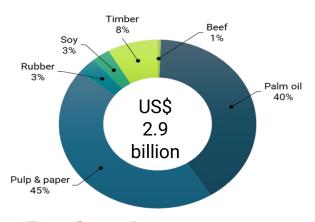




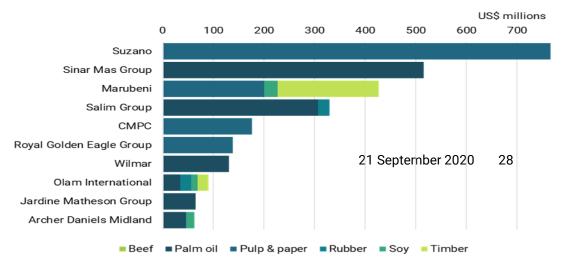
Bank portfolio: Mitsubishi UFJ





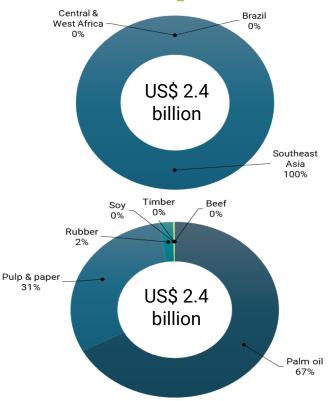


- US\$ 2.9 billion since 2016
- 2/3 Southeast Asia, 1/3 Brazil
- 40% palm oil, 45% pulp & paper

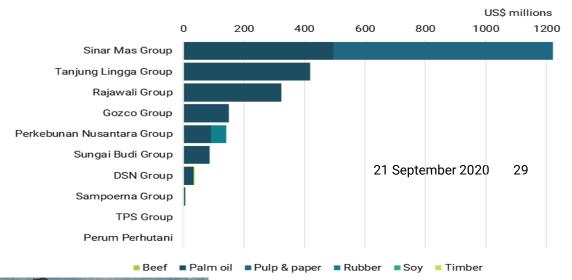




Bank portfolio: Bank Negara Indonesia



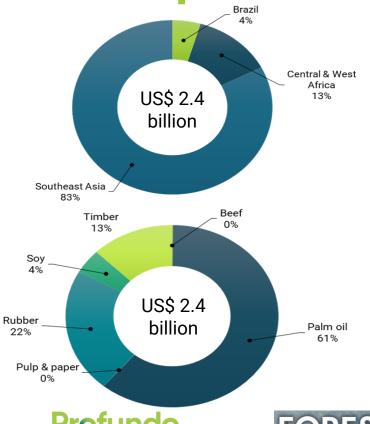
- US\$ 2.4 billion since 2016
- All in Southeast Asia
- 2/3 palm oil, 1/3 pulp & paper



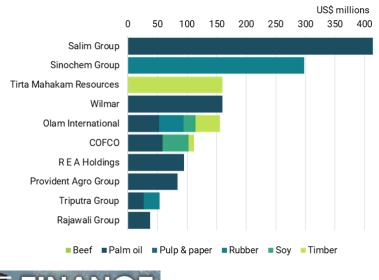




Bank portfolio: DBS



- US\$ 2.4 billion since 2016
- Predominantly Southeast Asia
- 60% in palm oil







PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONSIBLE BANKING



We will align our business strategy to be consistent with and contribute to individuals' needs and society's goals, as expressed in the Sustainable Development Goals, the Paris Climate Agreement and relevant national and regional frameworks.



We will continuously increase our positive impacts while reducing the negative impacts on, and managing the risks to, people and environment resulting from our activities, products and services. To this end, we will set and publish targets where we can have the most significant impacts.



We will work responsibly with our clients and our customers to encourage sustainable practices and enable economic activities that create shared prosperity for current and future generations.



We will proactively and responsibly consult, engage and partner with relevant stakeholders to achieve society's goals.

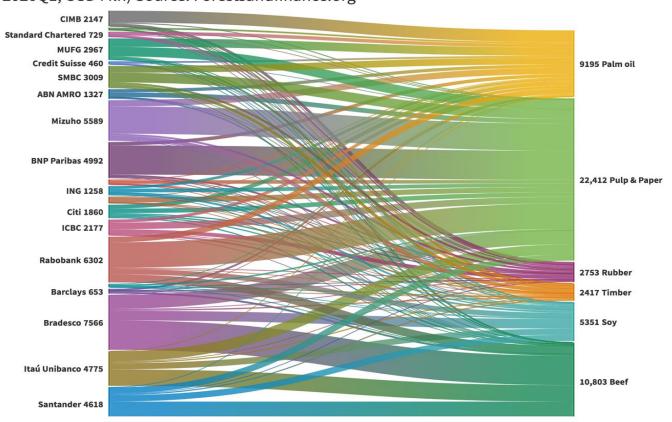


We will implement our commitment to these Principles through effective governance and a culture of responsible banking.



We will periodically review our individual and collective implementation of these Principles and be transparent about and accountable for our positive and negative impacts and our contribution to society's goals.

Loans, underwriting & investment in 6 forest-risk commodity sectors by select PRB banks (2016-2020Q1, USD Mln) Source: Forestsandfinance.org



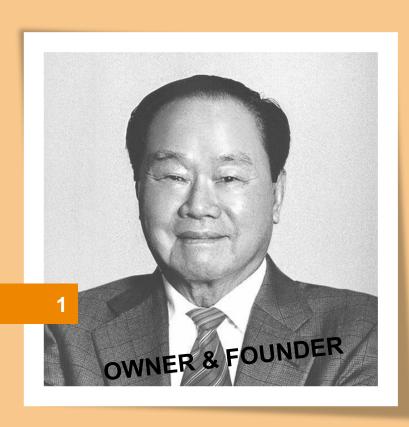
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SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FROM FINANCE TO FOREST-RISK COMMODITY COMPANIES

Case Study:

SINAR MAS

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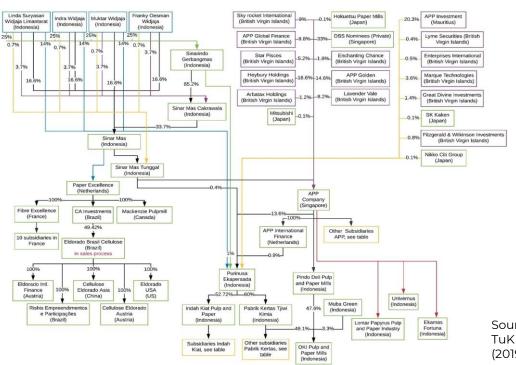


SINAR MAS

One of the largest conglomerates in **Indonesia** and is controlled by the family of the late oligarch Eka Widjaja

SINAR MAS: APP

Ownership structure

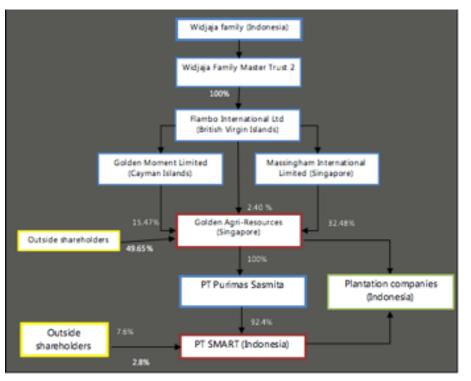


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Source: TuK INDONESIA & Profundo (2019)

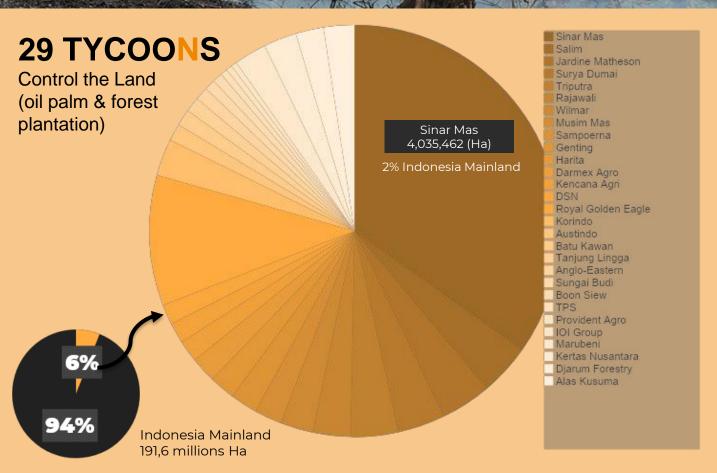
SINAR MAS: GAR

Ownership structure



Source: TuK INDONESIA & Profundo (2018)

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Sinar Mas controls 2% of Indonesia's land area for oil palm and forest plantations

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Source: TuK INDONESIA (2018,2019) BPS (2018)

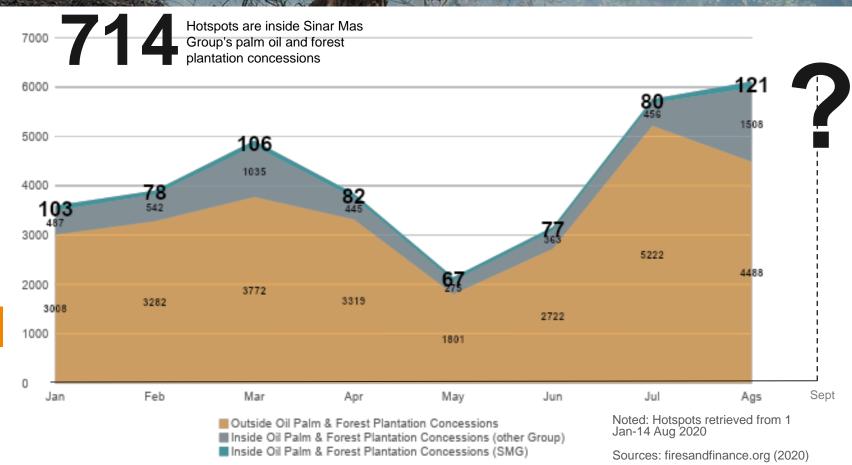
- Despite sustainability policies, Sinar Mas subsidiaries and partnersuppliers have an <u>extensive</u> track record of community conflict and land rights violations, with over 100 active community conflicts.
- In 2019, Sinar Mas' pulpwood concessions and those of its suppliers had the <u>largest burned area of any corporate group</u>.
- In 2020, Sinar Mas has been involved in many more conflicts, such as:
 - a. spraying the food crops of a local community with herbicide;
 - b. a rare Sumatran tiger was trapped and killed on an APP concession;
 - c. <u>it reported an indigenous man</u> for cutting 20 trees on disputed land, for which the man was sentenced a year in prison; and
 - d. it was found to be <u>clearing 3,500 ha of Sumatran peatland</u> for pulpwood plantations and digging 53 km of drainage canals, in direct breach of its own commitments
- The group also has serious corporate governance risks, which should be a concern for financiers.

SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF

SINAR MAS



A poster demanding justice for Bongku. Image courtesy of LBH Pekanbaru



Mongabay Series: Indonesian Forests

Paper giant APP linked to Indonesia peat clearing despite sustainability vow

by Hans Nicholas Jong on 1 September 2020









Jikalahari Riau filed a criminal report with the Indonesian police against APP subsidiary PT Arara Abadi.

The intentional burning of areas within PT AA is not only a violation of Indonesian regulations it is also a violation of APP's public commitments and policies.



Source: Mongabay.com (2020)

SINAR MAS

Loans and Underwritings for Sinar Mas, (2016 - April 2020) (USD millions)

Pulp & paper

Bank Rakyat Indonesia Bank Negara Indonesia Bank Central Asia Malayan Banking Mizuho Financial Bank Mandiri Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Bank Pan Indonesia Mitsubishi UFJ Financial

CIMB Group

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■Palm Oil

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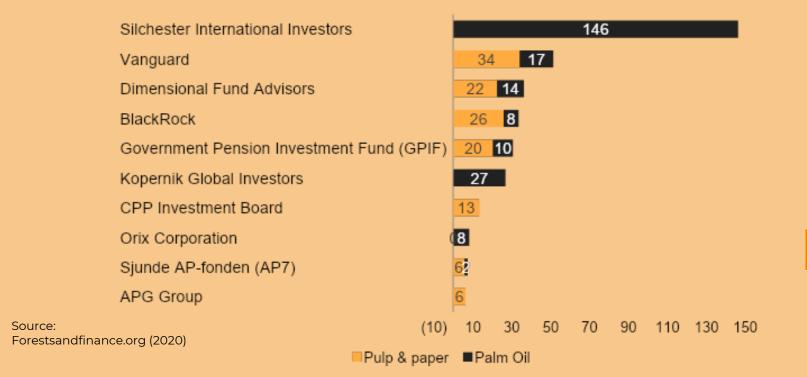
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Forestsandfinance.org (2020)

SINAR MAS

Bond and Shareholders of Sinar Mas, April 2020 (USD millions)



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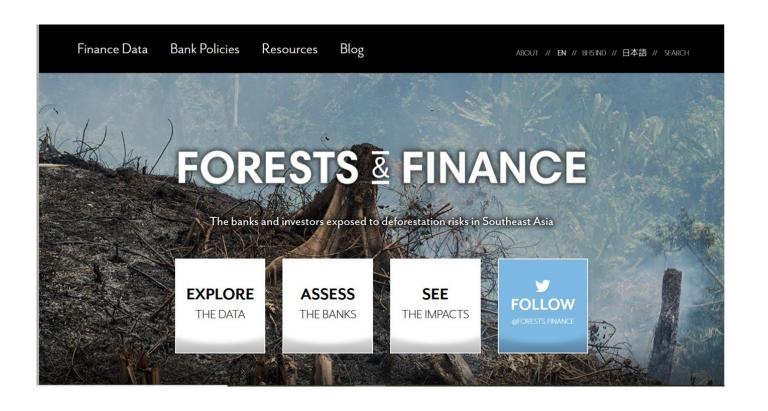
WHAT CAN BANKS DO?

- Stop new rounds of financing for Sinar Mas, demand transparency and require that the group discloses which entities it actually owns and controls
- Banks must adopt and fully implement, unambiguous No Deforestation, No Peatland, No Exploitation (NDPE) policies that require corporate group-wide compliance of any client.
- Banks must insist clients protect and restore peatland areas in their land banks, at a minimum ensuring peat areas designated by the indicative map produced by Indonesian Government Peatland Restoration Agency in 2016.
- Financiers need a clear zero-tolerance approach to burning, whereby if clients intentionally start fires or are negligent in preventing them, then banks must stop providing new lines of credit, and phase them out at clients.



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