Sheet - Annual Report of UEBT Members
UEBT Member's Obligations
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Annual self-assessment against UEBT membership obligations

NOTE:

This document will be made publicly available to stakeholders through the UEBT website

All information should be related to the previous year. Information provided will be part of the next UEBT membership audit

General information	
Name of the company/entity that is member of UEBT	KAITE Pvt Ltd t/a Organic Africa
Web Page	www.OrganicAfrica.biz
Company Description *(Please write a short description of your organisation, its core activities, and its commitment to biodiversity and Ethical BioTrade)*	Organic Africa Private limited formally KAITE Private Limited company is a private initiative based in Zimbabwe. The organization was founded to realise the vision of sustainable human development through contributing towards the comprehensive development of the individual, society and environment. A holistic concept encompassing integrated economic, social and cultural development in a manner thatsustains the environment and promotes biodiversity forms the key KAITE vision. As part of Organic Africa's response to the vision we are a UEBT trading member, and upholds the values of the UEBT whose value is '"Sourcing with Respect" of ingredients that come from native biodiversity. Organic Africa commits to gradually ensuring that their sourcing practices promote the conservation of biodiversity, respect traditional knowledge and assure the equitable sharing of benefits all along its supply chains.' Since 2009 Organic Africa has been harvesting naturally occurring plant products from various regions of Zimbabwe. We have been harvesting the essential oil plant Tagetes Minuta from Bindura/Glendale/Selous areas. We have also been harvesting Strophanthus combe from Binga in Matebelaland North. In 2012 we began harvesting the naturally occuring crops to include Harpagophytum procumbens (devil´s claw) found in the Hwange area. This has been successful and we experienced an increase in harvest of approximately 400%. Organic Africa reduced the Baobab activities in Chipinge and Chimanimani and ceded these activities to a partner organization B'yoba who have become the main producer of Baobab in Zimbabwe. Whilst we have generally experienced a general increase in production, there has been a reduction in the production of Myrothamnus as market demands are low. However we have done more work around ABS with the resurrection bush producers in Murehwa where we conduct collection.
Date of information provided	24/04/15

Ethical BioTrade Targets		
Did your organisation set Ethical BioTrade targets? *(If no, please specify when the targets will be set.)*	Yes	Yes
How many supply chains has your organisation prioritised? *(Fill with numbers only)* *- prioritised supply chain are those chains in which the Ethical BIoTrade standard is implemented in an accelerated way.*	5	

Implementation of the UEBT Work Plan (WP)		
% of UEBT WP actions that were planned for the last reporting year that have been implemented? *(If not all planned actions were implemented, please provide a brief explanation.)*	50-75%	60%, We changed our approach because of changes in production. We have removed Baobab from our IPA and we have not managed to do much with the resurrection producers in terms of ABS because of the reduction we have experienced in production.

Development of the Biodiversity Management system		
At what stage is the development of the Biodiversity Management System?	Somewhat advanced stage	60 % from our projection from last year we would like to dedicate more time and resources towards setting biodiversity management systems in place.
Over the last year, have you adapated or introduced new internal procedures (e.g. policies, guidelines, questionnaires, audit programmes) to advance on the development of the Biodiversity Management System?	Yes (please describe)	We have incorporated the Biodiversity Management in our internal inspection and we have set sustainable harvesting gudelines for all the natural products in our ingredient portfolio system.

Implementation of Ethical BioTrade Practices in the Supply Chains

Please describe which activities have been undertaken over the reporting year to advance on the implementation of the Standard and the Ethical BioTrade principles in the supply chains *(e.g. producer training; biodiversity conservation projects, suppliers audits, suppliers questionnaires)* ***Do you have different approaches for prioritised and non prioritised supply chains? If so, please specify.***	Training is continuous and constitutes Organic Africas main activity on working with small scale producers (suppliers). We have also trained communities and put in place environmental committees whose purpose is to monitor the use of natural resources, replanting of trees, planting of galleys and specie census at a micro level. We use the same approach to all the products in our supply chain.

Additional Information		
no annexes attached		
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