



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	LABORATOIRES EXPANSIENCE
Web Page	www.expanscience.com
Company Description (Please write a short description of your organisation, its core activities, and its commitment to biodiversity and Ethical BioTrade)	<p>Over more than 60 years, Expanscience – a French independently-owned pharmaceutical and dermo-cosmetics laboratory – has built up a solid international reputation as an innovator and as a specialist in skin and the treatment of arthritis. Its products, which include two leading brands – Piascléline 300 and Mustela – are sold in more than 97 countries (84 distributing countries and 13 subsidiaries). Expanscience develops and also sells natural-origin active ingredients for use in cosmetics, both in France and abroad.</p> <p>Helping people to remain in good health – to retain their mobility and keep their skin healthy – has always been central to the group's growth strategy.</p> <p>Driven by its desire to support healthcare professionals in their prevention and advisory work, and in their role of keeping people informed, Laboratoires Expanscience have set up numerous initiatives designed to keep patients and consumers educated and informed, and enable them to share their experiences.</p> <p>The whole value chain is integrated into the company – from research through to production and distribution. Its cutting-edge research, which is focused on cartilage and the skin's barrier functions, has resulted in 808 patents being registered throughout the world. The group's production facilities are located in Epemont at an ISO 14001-certified site, and are designed to have minimum impact on people and the environment. Expanscience's commitment to ensuring high levels of quality and manufacturing its products in France are central to the influence that it has at international level.</p> <p>Laboratoires Expanscience adopted a Corporate Social Responsibility approach ten years ago. This is a policy whereby raw plant matter suppliers are sourced in ways that do not harm the farmers and the countries that produce them, and a more environmentally friendly approach to product design is adopted.</p> <p>Expanscience is the first pharmaceutical and cosmetics laboratory whose contribution to sustainable development was recognised as exemplary by the AFAQ 26000 assessment in 2013.</p> <p>Key figures for 2014 : • 2014 turnover: €269,8 millions • 84 distributing countries • 13 subsidiaries. More information: www.expanscience.com</p>
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Ethical BioTrade Targets	
Did your organisation set Ethical BioTrade targets? (If no, please specify when the targets will be set.)	<p>Yes</p> <p>The organisation has made an ambitious commitment, totally consistent with the objectives set forth at the time of its adherence to UEBT: by 2015, Expanscience has committed to implement a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) action plan on 100% of its own plant supply chains. In 2014, the company had achieved 96% of it.</p> <p><a href="http://www.expanscience.com/developpement-durable/nos-achats-nos-approvisionnements/nos-actions">http://www.expanscience.com/developpement-durable/nos-achats-nos-approvisionnements/nos-actions</a></p>
How many supply chains has your organisation prioritised? (Fill with numbers only) <i>- prioritised supply chain are those chains in which the Ethical BioTrade standard is implemented in an accelerated way.</i>	22

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.)	<p>&gt;75%</p> <p>Expanscience believes that it has implemented the UEBT Work Plan (WP) at 96% of its plant R&amp;D supply chains.</p>

Development of the Biodiversity Management system	
At what stage is the development of the Biodiversity Management System?	Well advanced stage
Over the last year, have you adapted or introduced new internal procedures (e.g. policies, guidelines, questionnaires, audit programmes) to advance on the development of the Biodiversity Management System?	<p>Yes (please describe)</p> <p>Every year, a programme of audits/visits is prepared for industrial-scale and in development supply chains.</p> <p>Continuation of the writing of new identity sheets, now under a more "marketing" shape, including sustainability index and keys datas of each supply chain.</p> <p>In 2014, Expanscience wrote its general procedure describing its policy for achieving responsible plant sourcing (bioprospecting), that respects the challenges of biocommerce.</p>

Implementation of Ethical BioTrade Practices in the Supply Chains	
<p>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)</p> <p>Do you have different approaches for prioritised and non prioritised supply chains? If so, please specify.</p>	<p>Now, Expanscience set up the same work plan for all the supply chains coming from the R&amp;D Center, without making difference between prioritized or not prioritized supply chains.</p> <p>Expanscience's contribution to Sustainable Development has been recognized as "exemplary" by AFAQ 26000 since September 2013. The organisation is the first dermatology-cosmetics and pharmaceutical laboratory to achieve such a level of exemplarity.</p> <p>The organisation was also granted the renewal of its ISO 14001 agreement of its industrial site (initially obtained in October 2012).</p> <p>The organisation communicates actively about its supply chains, with full transparency, on its website: <a href="http://www.expanscience.com/fr/developpement-durable/nos-achats-nos-approvisionnements/nos-actions">http://www.expanscience.com/fr/developpement-durable/nos-achats-nos-approvisionnements/nos-actions</a></p> <p>Expanscience is developing all of its new projects according to the 7 key issues of the Corporate Social Responsibility ISO 26000 standard (governance, environment, consumers, etc.) and to the 7 UEBT's principles. Therefore, all aspects of the supply chain and its actions on the field are classified based on to these items.</p> <p>The organization, always as closely as possible to its supply chains, has implemented, for €48.5K more than 19 monetary actions for the reinforcement of its local capacities.</p> <p>In Peru, Expanscience and its local partner, worried of bringing a scientific and technical support with Peruvian farmers cultivating avocado, have displayed an innovative program against Phytophthora. After 10 trial months in fields, a protocol showed itself effective and allows to save trees. Trainings about the care of bringing to avocado trees (complete nutrition, size of twigs), in the choice of the zone of plantation and in the mode of watering were also distributed by the engineer.</p> <p>In Burkina Faso, the organization finances now the organic certifications of 4 vegetal supply chains, but also financed the writing of an ethnobotanic report on a plant in prospecting.</p> <p>As part of a new R&amp;D project for sustainable supply chain in Burkina Faso, Expanscience has launched last December a project of</p>

Additional information	
<p>In 2014, 4% of its sales invested in Research and Development (affiliates, green processes, products, innovation).</p> <p>In February 2014, participation in the 4th International Forum Africa and Beauty, presentations and contribution to the theme ABS/Nagoya Protocol (experience in the field)</p> <p>In 2014, Expanscience had the distinction of various awards related to Sustainable Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Best integrated CSR policy during the "Nuit de la RSE" - Laboratoires Expanscience, winner</li> <li>- Expanscience confirms its exemplary level further to the new evaluation of AFAQ 26 000</li> </ul>	
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