

"The Journey to Sustainable Food: A three-year update on the Behind the Brands campaign", Oxfam, April 2016

"Ten of the world's biggest food and beverage companies battle to improve their social sustainability through the Behind the Brands campaign", 19 April 2016

Nestlé response:

We again commend Oxfam for the constructive manner in which it presents the complex social and environmental issues global good companies face.

We are pleased that we continue to be ranked among the top two companies in the scorecard. We are also proud to be one of the two companies to receive a "good" score for our efforts to ensure security of land tenure for farmers and local communities and for our climate change actions. We are being recognised for rising to the climate challenge with solid policies on deforestation, palm oil, agricultural emissions, and advocacy engagement.

Our new <u>Nestlé in Society Report 2015</u> provides detailed information about our approach to, and achievements on core issues addressed in the Behind the Brand scorecard, such as climate change, rural development, human rights, women's empowerment, land acquisition and water stewardship.

We acknowledge that improving food security worldwide requires a lot more work by all stakeholders. We will continue to support the efforts of Oxfam and other organisations in making progress toward a sustainable food system. This requires a collaborative effort by civil society, government and business and we believe that the food industry has a vital role to play in accelerating such progress.

We have looked closely at areas where the report has identified room for improvement such as gender issues and farmers livelihoods. We will continue to take firm steps to further the implementation of our commitments and deliver benefits in society at every stage of our operations.