



THE IVORY COAST: TAKING SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY SERIOUSLY DURING A PRICE SQUEEZE

Trelleborg’s most important natural rubber supplier in Africa is in the Ivory Coast. The company – SAPH – is part of a family-owned group.

Trelleborg visited SAPH’s largest rubber facility in November 2018 and had a closer look not just at the company’s production itself but also at its extensive social projects, with living quarters, daycare, schools, cafeterias and health centers.

“The operation gives independent rubber farmers a chance to earn income. Unfortunately, oversupply in combination with a low rubber price has led to economic development stalling somewhat in the last few years. But there is no doubt that the facility is contributing to the social safety net in that area,” says Rosman Jahja, responsible for sustainability issues, Trelleborg AB.

Find out more about the dialogs with suppliers on page 50.



TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT IN SRI LANKA

Trelleborg is conducting various training and development initiatives for children and young people in places where it conducts operations. In Sri Lanka, young people are coached in two schools for a better life and study results through the Star for Life program. Pre-school children from disadvantaged families are offered educational development and nutritious meals. The pictures are from Bellana College and Antonio Bianchi’s House.

