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SGS GREEN TRAVEL POLICY

CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY

1. OUR COMMITMENT

In all SGS operations, we continually strive to reduce our impacts, including the environmental impacts associated with work-related travel. We recognize that travel, especially road and air travel, has a direct impact on the environment. Transport energy consumption from vehicle fuels and air and train transportation represents a significant proportion of our total CO₂ emissions.

At SGS we are committed to reducing the need for unnecessary business travel and encouraging the use of more sustainable forms of transport across our operations. We also expect our suppliers to achieve sustainable growth whilst managing the impacts of their business, by improving their environmental performance.

We are further committed to supporting our customers in optimizing travel through our environmental management services, and our Travel and Hospitality sustainability solutions.

2. POLICY SCOPE

This policy applies to all SGS employees and sub-contractors globally.

3. TARGETS

Aligned with the 1.5°C objective from the Paris Agreement, we have committed to reach net-zero emissions across our entire value chain by 2050. To achieve this objective, we have approved near- and long-term emissions reduction targets with the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi):

Near-term targets:

- Reduce absolute scope 1 and scope 2 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 46.2% by 2030 (from a 2019 base year).
- Reduce absolute scope 3 GHG emissions by 28% by 2030 (from a 2019 base year).

Long-term target:

- Reduce absolute scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions by 90% by 2050 (from a 2019 base year).

In addition to the above targets, all residual emissions will be neutralized in line with SBTi criteria before reaching net-zero emissions by 2050.

These commitments are included in the SGS global sustainability strategy, i.e., Sustainability Ambitions 2030, which fully align with our business strategy.

The following will enable the fulfilment of our objectives:

- Transitioning away from conventional combustion engines and proactively incorporating environmentally sustainable alternatives into our vehicle fleet so that by 2030, half of our fleet will be based on low-carbon technology.
- Specifying low emitting vehicles that achieve maximum fuel efficiency within our company vehicle fleet.
- Prioritizing public transport over individual vehicle use.

- Encouraging car sharing or other group travel for multiple employees and/or subcontractors travelling to the same location.
- Educating employees and sub-contractors on safer and less carbon intensive driving practices.
- Evaluating the cost and disruption to business, and the health, safety, security and environmental impacts of travel.
- Encouraging employees and sub-contractors to evaluate the necessity of every business trip planned and consider alternatives to travel where possible.
- Minimizing the frequency and number of short and long-haul flights through adequate planning and scheduling of meeting and events.
- Installing and encouraging the use of video conferencing and teleconferencing facilities and providing adequate training to maximise their use by managers and employees.
- Monitoring the environmental impacts of business travel, including the fuel emissions from public transport and vehicle fuels.
- Exploring and incorporating innovative solutions that contribute to cleaner and more sustainable business travel.

4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Senior Management is responsible for ensuring compliance with this policy, including but not limited to the establishment of programs and compliance with reporting requirements. Sustainability, however, is the responsibility of all of us, at every level within our organisation.

It is the responsibility of every Managing Director to ensure that our green travel policy is implemented and that appropriate resources are allocated to proactively manage business travel in all SGS affiliates.

The Chief Executive Officer of SGS is ultimately responsible for the implementation of this policy.

In the implementation of this policy, we act within the framework of laws and international conventions. We respect and comply with environmental legislation, agreements and safety requirements, and other provisions that set the parameters for our business operations.

Our actions are guided by transparency and fact-based decision-making and based on a preventative, precautionary and integrated approach to energy management. This means conforming to or exceeding the requirements of national or international regulations as well as engaging in continuous and informed dialogue with relevant stakeholders

5. OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS AND POLICIES

This policy supports the SGS Business Principles, the SGS Sustainability Ambitions 2030 and the SGS Sustainability Policy Statement. In addition, the SGS Supplier Code of Conduct sets out our expectations for suppliers and business partners. This policy should be read in conjunction with other published SGS Sustainability Policies available at www.sgs.com.

6. POLICY REVISION

This policy may be revised from time to time at the discretion of SGS Corporate Sustainability. All updates will be communicated by Corporate Sustainability to Senior and Regional Management.