

Environmental Charter



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ECS' sustainable development policy focuses on contributing to the Group's development whilst cherishing and preserving natural resources and helping to protect the environment.

Because we believe that a company's credibility relies not only on its economic profitability but also on its commitment to sustainable development, ECS has drawn up an action plan which aims to achieve the Group's environmental objectives and encourage an ethical, responsible attitude on the part of its customers, partners, suppliers and employees.

SCOPE

The Environmental Charter applies to all ECS subsidiaries, all departments and in all countries.

AREAS OF APPLICATION

This action plan, the implementation of which will be the subject of an ongoing monitoring and assessment process, consists of a series of ecological recommendations and guidelines which apply to the following areas:

INFORMATION & AWARENESS

1. Raise awareness of environmental issues among the Group's employees by encouraging responsible behaviour through communication and information on applying the Environmental Charter.

ENERGY

2. Implement an energy-saving plan encouraging sensible use of electrical and IT equipment.

WATER

3. Control and gradually reduce water consumption by installing water-saving devices.

WASTE

4. Proactively reduce waste production by purchasing products that generate little or no hazardous waste and set up recycling bins for consumables and certain electrical and IT equipment and parts.

TRANSPORT

5. Replace the fleet of company cars by low CO²-emitting vehicles.

6. Reduce CO² emissions arising from business trips (use train rather than plane whenever possible, use remote communications tools such as Netmeeting and videoconferences instead of physical meetings).

GREEN PROCUREMENT

7. Purchase products (paper, office supplies, etc) that minimise environmental impacts.

ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY OFFERS

Leasing solutions:

8. Obsolete machines replaced with equipment using innovative green technologies that reduce energy consumption and pollution.

9. Equipment recycled in compliance with the WEEE directive (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment).

10. End-of-lease equipment that is not yet obsolete is resold to third parties, thereby extending its useful life.

Infrastructure service solutions:

11. Virtualisation and/or server consolidation streamlines infrastructures thereby reducing volume of equipment and electricity consumption.

12. Housing: the IT centre has been installed in compliance with security standards and with a view to optimising energy use.

13. Managed services: no more physical journeys to remote sites in order to reduce CO² emissions.

CLIENTS & SUPPLIERS

14. Advise clients and suppliers of the Group's ecological policy and encourage them to adopt similar measures.

IMPLEMENTATION & FOLLOW-UP

The ECS Environmental Charter aims to build on ECS' previous experience to implement new, more environmentally-friendly projects. This will involve:

- Implementing the action plan
- Regularly assessing and monitoring progress
- Defining new objectives and actions based on the results.

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