



# CSR REPORT

2019

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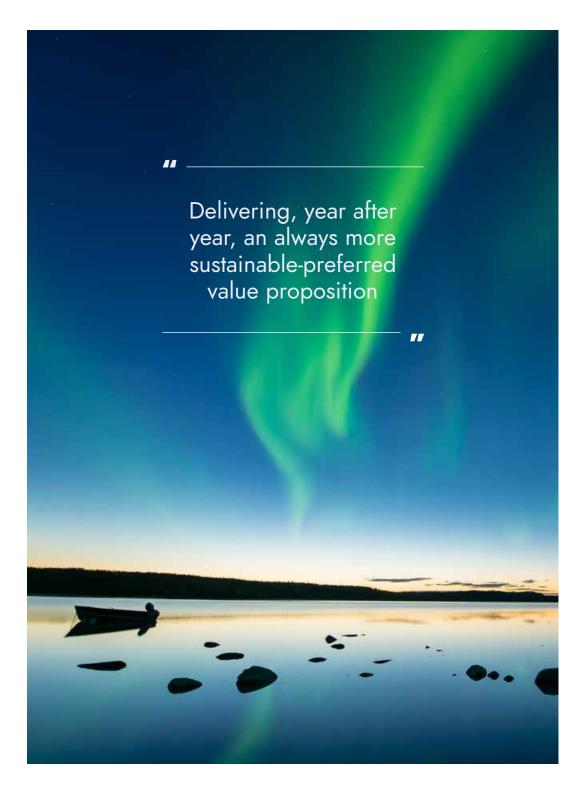












# **EDITORIAL**

Launched in 2012, the Lyreco Eco Future Strategy ended in 2018.

It allowed Lyreco Group and its 15 subsidiaries to achieve remarkable improvements in each of the 3 domains covered: Environment, Economics and Social.

Some of the results are particularly noticeable. For instance, we have decreased our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 17% compared to 2010 and increased our sales of green products which represent now 45% of our products sales at Group level.

These achievements directly benefit the numerous Lyreco customers striving for more responsible purchasing processes, greener workplaces and willing to deal with a trustfed partner in terms of sustainability.

In line with our Company's promise to act as a responsible partner with all our stakeholders, our ambition is to anchor our Corporate Social Responsibility commitment even deeper into all of our activities wherever we operate.

Our new CSR vision expands the scope of our commitments:

- · By moving from 3 to 6 guiding principles: Risk management, Supply Chain and Community are now specific domains along with Economics, Environment and People,
- · By integrating an always more customer-centric approach in all of our actions,
- · By reinforcing our contribution to major sustainability levers such as the Circular Economy.

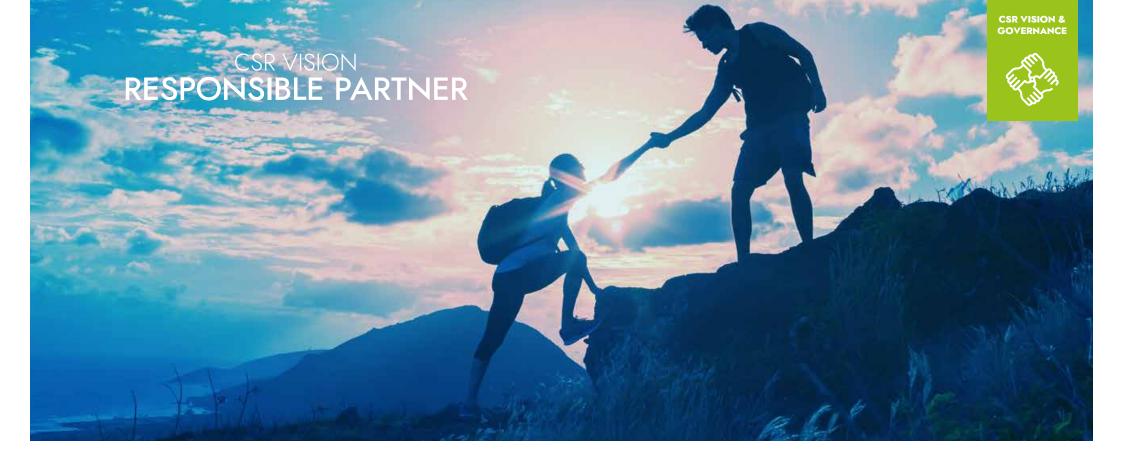
It is also an integrated core element of our business strategy deployed across 3 strategic pillars: to diversify and develop sharp expertise, to build the greatest customer experience, and, finally, to invest, grow and innovate.

At a time when our customers give a growing critical importance to Corporate Social Responsibility, we continue to make a difference by delivering, year after year, an ever more sustainable preferred value proposition.

Georges Gaspard

Chairman





# ALWAYS BY YOUR SIDE

In all our activities, wherever we operate, at Lyreco we always support our customers' daily life in the workplaces and business successes, both now and for the future.

We are the European leader and the 3rd largest global actor in the distribution of products and services for the working environment.

With 9,500 employees across 16 subsidiaries and an extended network of strategic distribution partners, we accompany companies and organisations in 42 countries on 4 continents.

We put our Corporate Social Responsibility at the core of our strategic decisions and operations. We act as a responsible partner in all our activities and for all our stakeholders, to accompany the development of their workplaces and working methods, and support their contributions to a sustainable world. From our product sourcing to product afterlife, we deliver value to our clients on a daily basis.

# LYRECO AT A GLANCE



**FAMILY** OWNED COMPANY **SINCE 1926** 



9,500 **EMPLOYEES** 



**HEADQUARTERED IN FRANCE** 



**TERM** COMMITMENT







# **RESPONSIBLE PARTNER**

## WHEREVER WE OPERATE



#### 15 SUBSIDIARIES & 1 CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN 25 COUNTRIES

# Cascading and adapting to local rules Lyreco Group CSR strategy

#### **EUROPE**

Austria, Belgium, Czech Rep., Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxemburg, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK

#### ASIA

Hong-Kong, Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore

# 15 DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS IN 17 COUNTRIES

# Dialoguing and fostering commitment to CSR tangible actions

NORTH AMERICA Canada, United States

#### **EUROPE**

Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Russia, Turkey

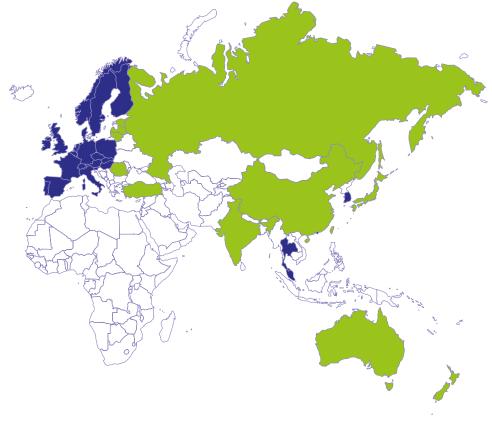
#### ASIA-PACIFIC

Australia, China, India, Japan, New-Zealand, Taiwan

SOUTH AMERICA Argentina, Brazil, Mexico



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## RESPONSIBLE WORKING ENVIRONMENT **WORKPLACE MULTI-SPECIALIST**



# FOSTERING SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES IN THE WORKPLACE

As a multi-specialist, we cover 4 components that make our customers' working environment a lever of business performance and sustainable business practices: people efficiency, connectedness, safety and well-being in the workplace.

We believe that workplaces and working methods play a key role in supporting sustainability in business practices. Our 4 categories are designed and developed in deep cooperation with our brand suppliers and our brand product manufacturers, integrating sustainability at each step of the product selection process.







SHARP



**CERTIFICATIONS** 9001 14001



**AUDITS** 



**ECONOMY** RECYCLING SERVICES



#### **BALANCING DISPOSABILITY AND** RESOURCE-EFFICIENCY

Paper, files, pens... Office supplies are generally disposable and therefore resource-consuming. As office supplies distributor, we have a special responsibility to provide our customers with products that are even more resource-efficient. renewable and ethical.



#### **SMARTER MEANS GREENER**

Print technologies need to be ever smarter and greener. Our Tech and Print category continues to support digital transformations in the working environment and address the primary concerns for sustainable and smart printing solutions.



#### WELL-BEING IN THE WORKPLACE AS A LEVER OF GLOBAL PERFORMANCE

We support our customers in their employer commitment to enhance personal well-being in the workplace: comfort and ergonomics, health and sanitation, coffee breaks, collaborative practices...



#### SUPPORTING OUR CUSTOMERS' **HEALTH AND SAFETY COMPLIANCE** AND COMMITMENT

Our industrial customers face an overwhelming and complex legal environment in terms of safety in the workplace. Beyond providing Personal Protection Equipment, we offer sharp expertise to help them comply with increasingly strict regulations.



# AN INTEGRATED RESPONSIBLE **CUSTOMER JOURNEY**



#### CREATE THE GREATEST CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

From the first contact to delivery, our ambition is to balance the highest level of customer satisfaction with the need to develop a responsible and sustainable service value chain.

#### A "PHYGITAL AND SEAMLESS" **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE**

Proximity and trusted relationships are our main assets. Our teams have always been and will remain a primary support to customer satisfaction.

Our transformation project allows our 9,500 talents to strenghten our customer-orientated culture and to adopt new processes that provide the best quality of service to our customers.

We empower our 8,000 sales advisers, customer care agents, logistics and delivery people and 1,500 support

functions representatives to make the best decisions in their daily challenge to deliver the greatest customer experience at the best service rate.

By combining customer focus and expert teams with best of breed digital solutions and responsible data analytics, we are building a true omnichannel seamless and unique experience for each of our customers along their journey with us.

#### SUSTAINABLE THROUGHOUT THE **CUSTOMER JOURNEY**

Customer satisfaction is more than on-time delivery. It is about providing sustainable products, ensuring ethics and compliance in countries where our suppliers and manufacturing partners operate, minimising packaging to customers, developing climate and environmental neutral processes from ordering to delivery and beyond.







**GREEN PRODUCTS** 

QUALITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL **CERTIFICATIONS AND LABELS** 

**SUPPLIERS AUDITS** 

SPECIALIST/EXPERT ADVICES



#### **ORDERING**

**WEBSHOP** 

**RECYCLED PAPER CATALOGUES** 

**DEMATERIALISED SERVICES** 

E-INVOICING



#### **DELIVERY**

**ENERGY-EFFICIENT WAREHOUSE** 

ADAPTED/REDUCED OR **RE-USED PACKAGING** 

**END-TO-END ZERO EMISSIONS** 

**ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY VANS** 

**ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES** 



#### PRODUCTS AFTERLIFE

**RECYCLING SERVICES** 

CIRCULAR ECONOMY PROJECTS







# INVEST, GROW AND INNOVATE TODAY AND TOMORROW



Our strategic and operational decisions are always driven by a customer-centric approach that takes into account their current expectations while anticipating the trends that will shape the future of workplaces.

Innovation and investments infuse all our activities with the special responsibility to continue developing a nearly this century old family company.

#### **ALIGNING CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY WITH A LONG-TERM BUSINESS VISION**

Driven by a genuine commitment to corporate responsibility purpose and a long-term business vision:

- · we support continuous improvement for our existing operations,
- · we consolidate our geographical operations.
- · we develop new ones,
- · we open up our innovation to start-ups and suppliers.

#### INVESTING IN PEOPLE: RETAINING. **DEVELOPING AND ATTRACTING TALENT**

We empower each of our 9,500 employees to take ownership of our customer-centric strategic vision and transformation plan. This ambition is supported by the digital transformation which brings new efficient process and solutions, training, partnerships with centres of excellence and talent programmes.



#### **4 STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS IN 2019**





#### **BUILD A CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE DEDICATED TO SAFETY**

In January 2019, Lyreco acquired Intersafe, a PPE leading actor in France and Benelux, with sharp expertise in High Level Risk, and Elacin, a pioneer in custom-made hearing protection. The ambition is to develop a European centre of excellence dedicated to personal safety in the workplace.



#### REINFORCE OUR POSITION IN ASIA

In June 2019, Lyreco acquired DeskRight, a leading office supplies business in Singapore market. The move puts Lyreco in a leadership position on the Singapore market and represents the first step in its new development strategy for the Asian region.



#### SUPPORT OUR CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE STRATEGY THROUGH INNOVATION

In January 2019, Lyreco Group joined the Partech Entrepreneur III fund, Partech has strong connections with start-ups across Europe and the US. This partnership enables Lyreco to develop further its innovation strategy.



# A CONTINUED SUPPORT



In 2004, Lyreco was the first company in the Office Supplies industry to join the UN Global Compact Initiative, demonstrating the company's long term commitment to sustainability.

By joining UN Global Compact, Lyreco commits to integrating 10 principles in the areas of Human Rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption into its strategy, policies and procedures to establish a culture of integrity.

This document is Lyreco's COP 2019 and can be found both on the UN Global Compact and Lyreco's website.







#### **HUMAN RIGHTS**

Support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed Human Rights

Make sure that they are not complicit in Human Rights abuses

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#### LABOUR

Support and uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining

Support the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour

Support the effective abolition of child labour

— Support the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and



#### **ENVIRONMENT**

occupation

Support a precautionary approach to environmental issues

Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility challenges

Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies



#### **ANTI-CORRUPTION**

Work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS SDGs



In 2015, United Nation has defined 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to end poverty, fight inequality and injustice and tackle climate change by 2030.



End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco Community Programmes, e.g. Food Bank Donations



End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco Community Programmes, e.g. Food Bank Donations Lyreco for Education



Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for people of all ages.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Health & Security programmes Health & Security certification



Ensure an inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco for Education Training plans Internal mobility



Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Code of Ethics UN Global Compact / Human Rights Club Membership.



Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco for Education Code of Ethics



Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Energy Efficiency in Buildings Programme, e.g. Solar Panels, ISO 50001 Renewable Energy Certificates Purchase



Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Supplier Sustainability Assessment Supplier Audits Code of Ethics Employee Satisfaction Survey Customer Satisfaction



Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation and foster innovation.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Innovation structure Transformation project

> Nasser Kahil | Lyreco QSS Director United Nations Campus Bonn - COP 23 - November 2017



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS **SDGs**





Reduce inequality within and among countries.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco for Education Supplier Sustainability Assessment Supplier Audits Code of Ethics



Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco Community Programmes, e.g. World Environmental Day, Planting of Staghorn Corals. Lyreco for Education Energy Efficiency in Buildings Programmes Renewable Energy Certificates Acquisition



Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Green Products **Environmentally Friendly Fleet** 



Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Carbon & Environmental **Footprint Initiatives** CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reduction target



Not applicable



Protect, restore and promote the sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and loss of biodiversity.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Lyreco Community Programmes e.g. Biodiversity Garden, Installation of **Beehives** 



Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Code of Ethics EU PEF (Product Environmental Footprint) Membership **UN Global Compact** Membership



Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development.

LYRECO INITIATIVES: Supplier Sustainability Assessment **Customer Sustainability** Awards **UN Global Compact** Membership



# **CERTIFICATIONS**

## COMMITMENTS & ACTIVITIES



Because of the variety of activities and operations, Lyreco communicates with organisations on several levels: regional, national, European and international.

Below are mentioned group certification and labels. Additional national and regional initiatives are managed by the local Lyreco subsidiaries.



#### **EU ECOLABEL**

Since 2009, Lyreco promotes the EU Ecolabel for its own branded products.

The EU Ecolabel or EU Flower is a voluntary ecolabel scheme established in 1992 by the European Commission.

The EU Ecolabel is part of a broader EU Sustainable Consumption and Production and Sustainable Industrial Policy (SCP/ SIP) Action Plan adopted by the European Commission in July 2008.

The EU Ecolabel meets the ISO 14020 Type 1 requirements for ecolabels. The EU Ecolabel criteria are developed and reviewed in cooperation with experts, industry, consumer organisations and environmental NGOs. EU Ecolabel criteria have been formulated for more than 30 non-food and non-medical product groups that are reviewed every 3-5 years.



#### **SEDEX**

In 2013, Lyreco selected SMETA (Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit) as a validated standard for the social accountability audits of the factories that manufacture Lyreco branded products.

Furthermore, in 2017 the 4 pillars of SEDEX were chosen for the social and environmental audits of all factories working with the 'Lyreco Import structure'.

SEDEX is the world's largest collaborative platform to share responsible sourcing data on supply chains, used by more than 43,000 members in over 150 countries.

Tens of thousands of companies use Sedex to manage their performance around labour rights, health & safety, the environment and business ethics.

SMETA (Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit) is a compilation of best practices in ethical audits, established by the Sedex Associate Auditor Group (AAG). It is not a separate standard or certification process, but a protocol for high-quality audits, to be used in conjunction with current ethical audit practices.

SMETA audits use the ETI Base Code, founded on International Labour Organization conventions, as well as relevant local laws. SMETA audits can be conducted against two or four auditing pillars. The two pillars required for any SMETA audit are Labour and Health & Safety standards. The two

additional pillars of a 4-pillar audit were introduced to further deepen the social responsibility aspect of SMETA audits.

A SMETA 2-pillar audit consists of the following modules:

- · Labour Standards
- · Health and Safety
- · Additional Flements:
- · Management Systems
- · Entitlement to Work
- · Subcontracting and Homeworking
- · Environmental assessment (shortened)

A SMETA 4-pillar audit covers the above elements, plus:

- · Environmental assessment (extended)
- · Business Ethics



#### UN GLOBAL COMPACT

In 2004, Lyreco was the first company in the Office Supplies industry to join the UN Global Compact demonstrating the company's long-term commitment to sustainability.

Launched in 2000, the United Nations Global Compact is both a policy platform and a practical framework for companies that are committed to sustainability and responsible business practices.

As a multi-stakeholder leadership initiative, the initiative seeks to align business operations and strategies with ten universally accepted principles in the areas of Human Rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and to catalyse actions in support of broader UN goals.

With 7,000 corporate signatories in 135 countries, it is the world's largest voluntary corporate sustainability initiative.





#### UN GLOBAL COMPACT/ **HUMAN RIGHTS CLUB**

In 2017, Lyreco joined the 'Human Rights' Club of the UN Global Compact, strengthening its commitment towards the Global Compact principles of the United Nations (six of them directly cover the theme).

The 'Human Rights' Club is a place of exchange and expertise for the members to jointly progress on this theme.

The objectives of the Club will evolve according to the needs of the members:

- · Preventing, controlling and managing Human Rights risks,
- · Better mapping the stakeholders,
- · Supporting companies in their approach to Human Rights.
- · Developing appropriate tools,
- · Collectively building a place of influence.



# **CERTIFICATIONS**

## **COMMITMENTS & ACTIVITIES**





Business Social Compliance Initiative

#### **BSCI**

In 2013, Lyreco selected BSCI as a validated standard for the social accountability audits of the factories that manufacture Lyreco branded products.

The Business Social Compliance Initiative (BSCI) is a leading supply chain management system that supports companies in their drive towards social compliance and to make improvements at the factories in their global supply chains.

BSCI implements the primary international labour standards that protect workers' rights such as International Labour Organisation (ILO) conventions and declarations, the United Nations (UN) Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and guidelines for multinational enterprises of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).



#### **BEPI**

In 2016, Lyreco selected BEPI as a validated standard for the environmental audits of the factories that manufacture Lyreco branded products.

The Business Environmental Performance Initiative (BEPI) is a business-driven service provided by the Foreign Trade Association (FTA) for retailers, importers and brands committed to improving environmental performance at supplying factories and farms worldwide. BEPI provides a practical framework that can support all product sectors in all countries to reduce their environmental impact, business risks and costs through improved environmental practices.

BEPI uses industry best practices alongside practical technical expertise to support companies in the development of supply chain visibility and to meet the increasingly stringent environmental regulatory and stakeholder requirements.

The basis of the BEPI Framework is built on the Global Social Compliance Programme (GSCP), environmental reference tools, and it is also aligned with leading environmental standards such as the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI).



#### **FSC**

In 2018, Lyreco became a member of FSC International. FSC is the world's strongest certification system in terms of global reach, robustness of certification criteria and the number of businesses involved in the system.

They have more than 20 years experience. FSC has 28,000 certificate holders in 81 countries worldwide.

They work with 150,000 smallholders around the world and one of their 'new focuses' is the increased focus on working with indigenous groups around the world.

FSC membership shows the company's commitment to improving the management of the world's forests.



#### **EU PEF**

In 2014, Lyreco joined the EU PEF (Product Environmental Footprint) pilot phase.

The objective of the EU PEF initiative is to develop a harmonised methodology for the calculation of the environmental footprint of products, based on a transparent methodology.

The European Commission, working closely with the Joint Research Centre, has developed a proposed methodology for the calculation of product environmental footprints.

The methodology is based on the life-cycle assessment technique and the International Reference Life Cycle Data System (ILCD) handbook as well as other existing standards and guidance documents, including ISO 14040-44, PAS 2050, BP X30 and the WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol.

In total, 14 different impact categories are assessed. In addition, rules have been de-

veloped for individual product categories to enable specific details to be taken into account at the product level.



#### **NORDIC SWAN**

In 2017, Lyreco selected the 'Nordic Swan' ecolabel for its remanufactured toner cartridges.

The Nordic Ecolabel or Nordic Swan is the official sustainability ecolabel for the Nordic countries, introduced by the Nordic Council of Ministers in 1989. This is done by a voluntary license system where the applicant agrees to follow a certain set of criteria outlined by the Nordic Ecolabel in cooperation with stakeholders. These criteria include environmental, quality and health arguments. The criteria levels promote the most environmentally sound products and services and take into account factors such as free trade and proportionality (cost vs. benefits).

The Nordic Ecolabel now covers 67 different product groups, from hand soap to furniture to hotels. Products compliance must be checked using methods such as samples from independent laboratories, certificates and control visits. The label is usually valid for three years, after which the criteria are revised and the company must reapply for additional certification.



# SUSTAINABILITY GOVERNANCE AN INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



# **GOVERNANCE BODIES**

Sustainability management is fully integrated in the organization of the Group Operations, led by a Group Chief Operating Officer. The strategic execution of the Corporate Responsibility policy is led by a Group QSS director.

Each of Lyreco 15 subsidiaries includes a QSS director.

At the Group level, the mission of the Group QSS director is:

- · To define and implement a CSR strategy that ensures that key business decisions include Quality, Environment, Health, Safety, Sustainability and Ethics aspects
- · To ensure the Group standards are respected by our internal and external operating stakeholders
- · To manage international best practices, action plans and internal communications

# **CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

To ensure a common operating practice across our 15 subsidiaries based on qualitative and environmental matters, Lyreco uses the recognised international standards ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 to which the Integrated Management Systems are certified.

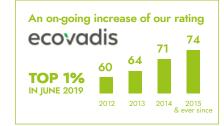
This ensures that quality and environmental matters are handled at a level trusted by interested parties and understood by employees. Aligned with the Quality & Environmental Management System, Health & Safety management is based on Lyreco's guidelines referring to the OHSAS 18001 standard and local legislation, applied in the subsidiaries by the Senior Management Teams.

In 2012, ISO 26000, the guideline for Corporate Social Responsibility, was adopted to provide structure to the sustainability journey. In addition, some countries have also chosen to obtain further certifications.

#### **ECOVADIS**

EcoVadis is an independent, non-financial rating agency that monitors the sustainability ratings at global organisations.

Its methodology is based on international Sustainable Development standards such as ISO 26000, the Global Reporting Initiative and the United Nations Global Compact. It is overseen by a scientific committee of CSR and Supply Chain experts to ensure a reliable third-party CSR assessment. Lyreco is now part of the top 1% of companies evaluated by Ecovadis.



#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** Chief of Chief People Chief Operating Chief Group Europe Asia Officer Officer **Financial** Communication Transformation Managing Managing Officer Officer Director Directors Director & Innovation

#### **WORLDWIDE CERTIFICATION**





ISO 9001

ISO 14001

ISO 26000 auidelines (not subject to certification)

#### CERTIFICATION DEPENDING ON THE COUNTRY

OHSAS 18001/ISO 45001 (Occupational Health & Safety Management System)

ISO 50001 (Energy Management Standard)

FSC CoC Certification (Forest Stewardship Council - Chain of Custody)

AEO (Authorized Economic Operator): The AEO status is an internationally recognized quality mark indicating that the company's role in the international supply chain is secure, and that customs controls and procedures are efficient and compliant.







**OHSAS 18001** ISO 45001

FSC CoC

ISO 50001





# WORKING TOGETHER for TOMORROW



# HOW DO WE ENGAGE WITH OUR STAKEHOLDERS?

Engaging our stakeholders over the long-term in our Corporate Responsibility strategy and actions is essential to reach our sustainability goals and to support continuous improvement across all of our activities.





#### **OUR CUSTOMERS**

Omni-channel Customer Service Satisfaction surveys Thematic events and meetings Environmental calculation tools Sustainable days and Sustainability awards

#### 9,500 EMPLOYEES

Dialogues with social partners
Annual performance reviews
Internal, change and M&A communication
CSR actions involvement
Internal Opinion Barometer (IOB) for continuous improvement
International meetings with all subsidiaries



#### **INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

Hackathon Circular economy think tank

#### **MULTI-STAKEHOLDERS INITIATIVES**

Global compact membership Human Rights Club membership

#### **GOVERNMENTS & LEGAL AUTHORITIES**

Secretariat member to EU Product Environmental Footprint pilot phase



#### **COMMUNITIES**

Lyreco For Education programme in partnership with NGOs Local communities programme Partnership with social entreprises



## 97 BRAND NAME PRODUCTS INTERNATIONAL SUPPLIERS

International continuous improvement programme Suppliers' Day and awards Purchasing policy Code of Ethics Green products Sustainability due diligence

#### **40 LYRECO OWN BRAND SUPPLIERS**

Sustainability audits
Social audits
Continuous improvement programme
Code of Ethics

#### **OUR LOGISTICS PARTNERS & SUPPLIERS**

Co-development of low-emission projects Sustainability clauses in contracts

#### 15 DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS

Dedicated Lyreco coordinator CSR policy review Yearly progress monitoring



## CERTIFICATION BODIES, ESG RATING AGENCIES

Audits Assessments Ecovadis · BSCI · SEDEX



# STAKEHOLDER'S VOICE



#### LYRECO EMPLOYEES

Day after day, I thrive on shaping a team and leading them towards a common goal. I feel motivated every morning by the warm atmosphere, care and commitment that my teams convey. Every day, this atmosphere that we have been creating drives up to deploy all our energy to ensure the success of our products.

lérôme Ciszewski Digital Channels Director Lyreco



# LYRECO'S OWN BRAND PRODUCT SUPPLIERS

#### **CLOVER**

2018 Sustainable performance improvement pro-

Clover is a worldwide leader of high quality, environmentally friendly remanufactured cartridges and sustainable imaging solutions. Greener print media and printing practices are key ingredients to increase sustainability in the workplace.

Since 2017, this major partner has been working with Lyreco to continuously improve its contribution to customers' sustainability ambitions both through products and services. Clover is the winner of the 2018 International Suppliers Awards in the Tech&Print Category and has also been ranked number one out of the 97 Group suppliers.

With Lyreco, we commit to recycling, to help our our customers have greater workplace sustainability and to deliver those products in an ever more sustainable way to your customer. This is the future for us.

Mark Perry

CLOVER IMAGING GROUP Clover Managing Director

**CUSTOMERS** 

#### MTU

Aero Engines AG is the leading German engine manufacturer. With approximately 9,000 employees, they develop, produce and support civil and military aircraft engines.

«Sustainability» is firmly established in the company's goals and means assuming entrepreneurial responsibility for the company's economic performance without neglecting ecological and social compo-

Since 2013, MTU has been presenting its commitment every summer in a sustainability report. The first place within Lyrecos sustainability competition 2018 will be considered again. Sustainability is an elementary central idea of the engine industry, and even though MTU makes the greatest contribution to sustainable development through eco-efficient engine technologies, it is important to us to spread this idea to all other areas of MTU.

After MTU was able to achieve third place last year, we are particularly pleased that our joint efforts have led to a further improvement, gaining the first place. Supported and motivated for improvement right up to the MTU Board of Management.

Thank you for this award. The close cooperation between MTU and Lyreco is enabling this progress. Smooth processing, lean processes and sustainable products ensure high level of acceptance within the MTU organization.

Having this in mind, I would like to encourage everyone to do their utmost to improve sustainability in their own companies.

**Andreas Regnier** 

Purchasing Manager indirect materials (Leiter Einkauf- indirektes Material)



# STAKEHOLDER'S VOICE



#### **BRAND SUPPLIERS**

#### **UPM**

UPM Communication Papers is the world's leading producer of graphic papers. It has been a major supplier of Lyreco for many years, under its NEW FUTURE brand as well as for Lyreco's own brand paper. UPM is one of the most performing suppliers in terms of sustainability.

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We share information about sustainability with Lyreco on regular basis and help each other progress in that area. We also work together to supply the relevant regions from the closest mills in order to minimise transport.

## Päivi Rissanen

UPM Director, Sustainability



# INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS

#### PRINCIPADO, MEXICO

Principado is a Mexican business office supplies distributor and a Lyreco international partner since 2014. The company has since been committed to aligning its CSR policy and actions to Lyreco's engagements. In 2018, Principado invested in a fleet of hybrid trucks to make deliveries to its Mexico City-based customers. It's a tangible contribution in the fight against urban air pollution in a city where air quality is one of the worst in the world.



Beyond the business dimension of our partnership, working with Lyreco also supports our sustainability policy. Lyreco's Corporate Responsibility is clearly an inspiration for the implementation of concrete actions such as the definition of Principado Code of Ethics and the development of our green fleet in Mexico City.



Alejandro Torre
CEO Principado Mexico
Princip@do



#### NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS



#### CARE, LYRECO for EDUCATION NGO PARTNER

Started 11 years ago, the Lyreco for Education programme raises funds to give children living in poor conditions better access to education.

Since 2008, more than 2.8 million euros have been raised through actions organised by our 9,500 employees and thanks to our suppliers and customers contribution. These funds finance educational projects such as building schools, sanitary infrastructures and training teachers.

To ensure the development of these projects in some of the beneficiary countries, Lyreco works in partnership with the NGO CARE.

Since 2010, thanks to Lyreco's support, CARE has developed education projects in Brazil, Madagascar and now Cambodia. Our common objective is to provide better quality education to increase student enrollment over the long term. Together, we have already achieved a lot! Thank you, Lyreco Group and your teams for your lasting commitment!



Nathalie Rosselot Partnership Director, CARE France



# MATERIALITY MATRIX



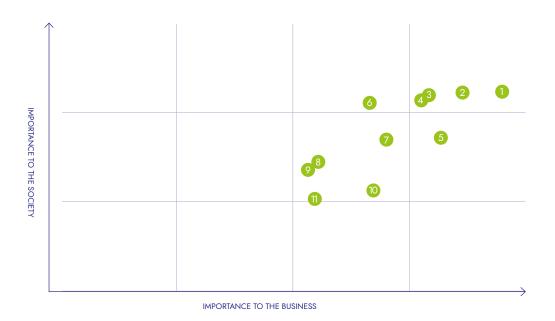
The strategic issues on which Lyreco focuses its corporate responsibility are based on the most relevant matters to stakeholders and the company itself.

The fundamental environmental, social and economic challenges that are linked both to the way Lyreco manages its business and to the changes in our customers' working environment have long been integrated into our sustainability strategy. These main issues are reflected in our 2012 · 2018 ECO FUTURE strategy and the related data monitored over the last 7 years (see p. 22 and 23 for data and key facts).

In 2017, a materiality matrix involving our main stakeholders has raised additional challenges that have led us to extend our responsibility and sustainability commitments

#### 11 SHARED **PRIORITIES**

11 priorities issues have been identified. They are the foundation of our new corporate responsibility guiding principles and strategy which that have become effective in lanuary 2019 (see p. 42 New CSR strategy).



- 1. Customer satisfaction
- 2. Employee health and safety
- 3. Human Rights in the supply chain
- 4. Regulatory compliance
- 5. Ethical business practices
- 6. Product & service quality
- 7. Employee well-being
- 8. Environmental standards in the supply
- **9.** Social standards in the supply chain
- 10. Human capital management
- 11. Customer partnership concerning on sustainability

Based on these priorities, we have defined 6 guiding principles driving our new CSR strategy launched in January 2019.



#### **ECONOMICS**

Create the greatest customer experience in an omnichannel environment.



#### **PEOPLE**

Offer the greatest employee experience.



#### COMMUNITY

Place education as the core of the Lyreco Charity Programme at the global and local levels.



#### **ENVIRONMENT**

Act responsibly to minimize Lyreco's environmental impacts, across the entire value chain, from our suppliers to our customers.



#### SUPPLY CHAIN

Develop a preferred and responsible supply base that enhances Lyreco's competitiveness and innovation, and bolsters the success of our customers.



#### **GOVERNANCE**

Conduct risk and compliance management programmes as an integrated part of our CSR activities.







# 3 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

In 2012, Lyreco launched a midterm sustainability strategy named "Eco Future". In 2018, Lyreco opened a new chapter of its CSR strategy.

#### **3 GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

**ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION** 

**ECONOMIC SUCCESS** 

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Eco Future strategy lasted 7 years and allowed Lyreco to improve its CSR legitimacy, both internally and externally. The impact of the strategy is apparent by way of a comparison between the start of the strategy and last year's achievements.



26%	<b>45%</b>	GREEN PRODUCT SALES
89%	<b>90</b> %	WASTE RECYCLING
-1.82%	<b>-17%</b>	CO <sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS**
		**Vs. 2010



+1.7%	<sup>2018</sup> <b>+2%</b>	SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT
52%	2018 <b>98</b> %	FACTORIES AUDITED



8 <sup>2012</sup> 81%	78%	WORKING CONDITIONS*		
+ <b>4.9</b> %	<sup>2018</sup> +8%	LOST WORKING DAYS		
2012	2017			

+82%	+82%	TRAINING

AVERAGE GROWTH PER YEAR

<sup>\*</sup>A new Group HR strategy was launched in 2018, based on new KPIs that are still under construction



## **RESULTS OVERVIEW**

# ECO FUTURE 2012 · 2018



#### **OUR RESULTS**



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
GREEN PRODUCTS*	26%	31.6%	34.20%	34%	36%	42%	45%
CO <sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS	-1.82%	-6.4%	-14%	-15.54%	-16.27%	-18%	-17% (VS 2010)
WASTE RECYCLED	89.13%	90.5%	91.43%	91.12%	91.35%	91%	90%

The "Lyreco Green Products Assessment" has been reviewed by SGS and was found to be in general compliance with the principles of the ISO 14020 standard and the ICC (International Chamber of Commerce) Framework for Environmental Claims"

#### **OUR GOALS**

**25%** of Sales (common range products) are made with "green products"

**-20%** CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions decrease by 20% from a 2010 base year

**90%** of the Waste coming from Lyreco activities is recycled



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT	+1.7%	+1.7%	-4.80%	-4.80%	+9.8%	+9.8%	+2% (VS 2017)
FACTORIES AUDITED	52%	81.3%	100%	89%	97%	98%	98%

**10%** Supplier Sustainability Assessment average mark increases by 10% per year.

October 2018: objective reviewed from 10 to 5% (based on

October 2018: objective reviewed from 10 to 5% (based or more demanding criteria) — See p. 32 for more details.

**100%** of the factories producing Lyreco products in the developing countries are subject to social and environmental audits



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
WORKING CONDITIONS	81%	81.0%	78%	78%	78%	78%	N/A**
LOST WORKING DAYS	N/A	+4,9%	6%	6%	-40.40%	+32%	+8% (VS 2017)
TRAINING	82%	89.0%	82%	82%	82%	82%	N/A**
LFE	+11%	+8%	+7%	+7%	+7%	+4%	N/A**

<sup>\*\*</sup>A new Group HR strategy was launched in 2018; on the basis of new KPIs that are still under construction

**90%** of all employees responding to the bi-annual Internal Opinion Survey answered positively when asked how they felt about their working conditions.

**-10%** the number of lost working days due to workplace accidents has decreased 10 % based on the 2011 figures

**90%** of all employees responding to the bi-annual Internal Opinion Survey will answered positively when asked if they considered themselves properly trained to do their job.

+4% is the internal collection target for the "Lyreco For Education" charity programme for 2017



## GOALS & KPI



# In the delivery of its sustainable development vision and policy, Lyreco aims to:

- Identify and evaluate opportunities to reduce environmental impacts in serving customers and to take advantage of enhance the environment.
- Ensure that our operations and projects are managed in accordance with accredited quality (ISO 9001) and environmental management (ISO 14001) systems to include sustainability priorities.
- This means dedicated actions and programmes on products, carbon footprint, delivery, packaging, consumables & waste and infrastructure.

#### **OUR MAIN GOALS**

REDUCE OUR ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT
SUPPORT OUR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS
IN THEIR AMBITION TO DO SO.

#### **OUR MAIN ACTIONS**

# PRODUCE AND SELL GREEN PRODUCTS

In 2018, 45% of sales (common range products) are made with "green products".

Since 2012, the percentage of green products in sales has been growing, especially because of the increase in references with eco-responsible or certified characteristics applied to the most sold products such as PEF and FSC certifications (Lyreco is pioneer in the EU PEF process).

#### **REDUCE OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT**

In 2018, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have decreased by 17% from a 2010 base year.

IMPROVEMENT OF LOGISTICS INSTALLA-TIONS AND BULDINGS (SOLAR PANELS)

INCREASE OF NATURAL GAS/ELECTRIC VANS AND CARS

POWER SAVINGS ACTIONS (LED LIGHTNING)
CO2 NEUTRAL DELIVERY PROCESS

ELECTRONIC DELIVERY SIGNATURE

**VERTICAL STORAGE SOLUTIONS** 

#### **INCREASE OUR GREEN FLEET**

170 environmentally friendly cars for sales people

108 environmentally friendly vans for delivery people

#### STRENGTHEN WASTE MANAGEMENT

90% of the waste from coming from Lyreco activities is recycled Since 2012, we have developed systematic and 'simple' processes, such as:

PACKAGING OPTIMISATION

**VOICE PICKING** 

# ### RESULTS 2018 ### 45% GREEN PRODUCT SALES ### 90% WASTE RECYCLING -17% CO2 EMISSIONS\* \*vs 2010





## **GREEN PRODUCTS**



#### A UNIQUE GREEN PRODUCT ASSESSMENT USED BY ALL SUBSIDIARIES

The "Lyreco Green Product Assessment" has been reviewed by SGS and was found to be in general compliance with the principles of the ISO 14020 standard and the ICC (International Chamber of Commerce) framework for environmental claims,

#### THE CONTENT OF ISO 14020

METHODOLOGY APPROVED BY









12 self-declared environmental claims: Compostable, Degradable Designed for disassembly and Extended life product.



14024 Certified claims (examples)







# LYRECO MARKETING TEAMS

Detailed check of the self-claims in accordance with the qualifications described in ISO 14021.

SUPPLIERS

Filling in the "Green Assessment file" with:

**CERTIFIED CLAIMS** 

SELF-CLAIMS

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA** 

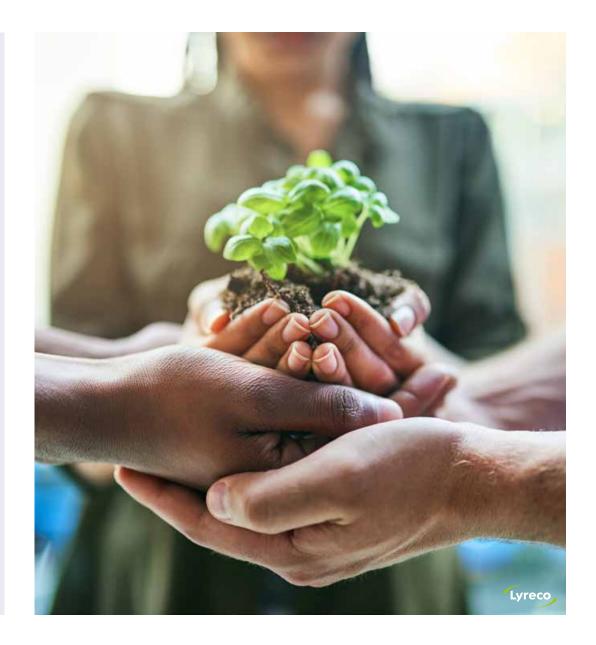
**EVIDENCES** 

LYRECO QSS TEAMS

DETAILED CHECK OF THE CERTIFIED CLAIMS (E.G. SCOPE, VALIDITY PERIOD)

EXCHANGES WITH SUPPLIERS TO DEAL WITH POTENTIAL DISPUTES

SCORING RATE CIRCULATION





## **GREEN PRODUCTS**



#### MITIGATING CLIMATE CHANGE AND RESOURCE SCARCITY IN THE PAPER INDUSTRY

With wood being the main raw material for the paper industry, forest management is a key sustainability issue. Raw material scarcity is a global sustainability challenge.

UPM is one of our most performant suppliers in terms of sustainability, producing paper with the highly performing environmental standards.

Lyreco uses this supplier for their own branded paper so that they can offer the best option for their customers.

When selecting suppliers for the Lyreco paper range, our intention is to always provide our customers with value for money while providing environmentally friendly products. Sustainability is as key for them as they are for us.

Iulia Ko

Lyreco Group Category Director



#### REDUCING CO2 EMISSIONS AND PRESERVING WOODS RESOURCES

Päivi Rissanen | UPM Director, Sustainability

## HOW DOES UPM REDUCE ITS CARBON FOOTPRINT?

Paper production requires energy. In order to reduce energy consumption and fossil carbon emissions. UPM has put a lot of effort into energy efficiency, reducing energy consumption by 14% per ton of paper over the past 10 years. Energy is still needed and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from energy generation can be reduced by using nonfossil fuels. UPM has invested over €1 billion in the generation of CO<sub>2</sub> neutral energy in the last 10 years. About 80% of the energy UPM generates produces no fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Sustainably managed forests act as carbon sinks and UPM is sustaining these forests and their biodiversity, owning close to 1 million hectares of forests.

## HOW DOES UPM ENSURE A BALANCE OF FOREST USE AND GROWTH?

Taking care of the main raw material, wood, is a top priority. Our business is based on the continuous growth of forests and the long-term availability of wood. To make sure that more trees grow than are harvested, we plant 50 million trees a year - 100 trees a minute. Forest certification schemes are good tools to demonstrate sustainable forestry practices. UPM has helped European forests expand by 11 million hectares over the last 20 years, for example by supporting the development of forest certification schemes and purchasing from certified sources.



The world's resources are limited and too much of these are being wasted. Raw material scarcity needs to be addressed and that's why we strive for a circular future. This is done, for example, by putting every fibre of wood that we harvest to good use, collecting enough recovered fibres to ensure a sustainable paper cycle and transforming waste into valuable products.

## HOW DOES UPM WORK WITH LYRECO IN THIS FIELD?

We share information about sustainability with Lyreco on a regular basis and help each other progress in that area.

We also work together to supply the relevant regions from the closest mills (Nordic from Kymi, Central Europe from Nordland) to minimise transport. The recyclability of packages is a topic that we are discussing: UPM barrier wrapper is already used for UPM's New Future brand, and possibly later on Lyreco's own brand. We definitely want to continue in that development.





# GREEN PRODUCTS



**ECO FUTURE** 

# FOSTERING GREENER WORKPLACES

Purchasing «environmentally friendly» products requires the provision of clear information that eases identification and selection. Over the years, Lyreco has improved its visibility in its catologues and webstore. The advisory role of our sales forces is also key in this field.



#### 5 WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CUSTOMERS IN THEIR GREEN PURCHASING

#### 1. Easy identification

In Lyreco's catalogue and webshop, green products assessed by Lyreco are identified by a specific icon, a green tree, indicating that Lyreco's assessment methodology is applied.

Certified claims such as Ecolabel, FSC, PEFC are also specified.



#### 2. Sales force advice

Through advise and selection, our sales force plays a key role.

#### 3. Carbon footprint calculator

This tool provides the customers with up-to-date direct and indirect Lyreco CO<sub>2</sub> emisson evaluation.

#### 4. Dedicated green catalogue

In some countries, our subsidiaries have published dedicated green products catalogues.

#### 5. Online eco-filters

Lyreco webshop brings intuitive functions such as an eco-filter aiming at finding green items among a pre-selection of products, and replacing classic items with green ones in the customer shopping cart.



#### **GRAMMAGE**

- 80 gsm (19)
- ☐ 160 gsm (5)
- ☐ 120 gsm (1)
- 200 gsm (1)

#### **☐ ECO-FILTERS**

- ☐ <sup>®</sup> Blue Angel (3)
- EU Ecolabel (1)
- ☐ 🤛 FSC (20)
- Green products (23)

Lyreco webshop ecofilter

#### GREEN PRODUCTS SALES GROWTH 2012 · 2018



I always suggest green products to my clients, and they are sensitive to the issue. When it comes to the environment, Lyreco is a company focused on the future. We always stood as a true initiator compared to our competitors. Now we have to show that we act responsibly in everything that we do.

#### Nadia Arib

Lyreco France SMB sales representative





# ENVIRONMENT WASTE RECYCLING

# 2012 2018

#### CIRCULAR ECONOMY AS A SERVICE

Lyreco offers recycling services to customers in all relevant markets. More than 10 product categories are covered: Laser Cartridges, Ink Jet Cartridges, Batteries, Light Bulbs, Electrics & Electronics, Paper, Cardboard, Cups, Plastics bottles, Aluminium Cans & Coffee Capsules.

In some subsidiaries, Lyreco also adds a 'social magnitude' category by involving solidarity organisations. For instance, since March 2017, we have worked with 'Ateliers du Bocage' (a subsidiary of te Emmaus Group), which handles printer cartridges collected by Lyreco.

With the growing importance of the 'circular economy', this business has a bright future. Last year, we collected more than 1,200,000 empty printer cartridges.

Lyreco also developed tools such as the Logistics Calculator and the Environmental Balance to raise customer awareness and help them reduce their environmental impacts when buying office supplies.



#### **RECYCLING IN HONG KONG**

Lyreco Hong Kong recently joined Hong Kong government's computer recycling programme to recycle 100% of IT equipment. The objective is 100% recycling of all IT material.



#### MANAGING PRODUCTS LIFECYCLE BEYOND REGULATIONS

Mark Perry | Clover Managing director



CLOVER IMAGING GROUP

As a worldwide leader of high quality, environmentally friendly remanufactured cartridges and sustainable imaging solutions, Clover develops a full range of cartridges for Lyreco that applies the circular economy principles to printing.

# HOW DO YOU SEE YOUR PARTNERSHIP WITH LYRECO IN THE FUTURE?

Tech is going up but print is going down. People are printing less, but Clover works to recycle and repair, which is key to work with Lyreco and many other companies. We have a product R&D capability, which means we can bring Lyreco products very quickly to market. We also have a changing channel approach, which will help Lyreco move into other business areas that would historically not have been possible with remanufactured supplies.

We commit with Lyreco to participate in recycling activities combined with a managed product delivery approach that includes monitoring over the lifetime of the printer. That is the future for us: it is not about building the next product; it is about how to deliver it and develop services around it, and later be able to reuse it again and again.

The level of compliance in product safety and sustainability is increasing in Europe. Therefore, Lyreco needs Clover to provide new environmental solutions to meet upcoming legal requirements. Combining sustainability with a quality product, good branding and high quality service is a winning combination.

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A RESPONSIBLE COMPANY?

It always has to mean more than regulations, laws, and compliance. We operate in Europe where regulations are constantly increasing, which increases our cost of operations. It is important that the customer and the supplier understand that sustainability and responsibility consist of more than just compliance, and morals should also play a role. We cannot continue to have a product lifecycle that involves using things once. It is about making sure that you can give something a second or a third life

Lyreco sees this as a key element of its vision of the right range of products produced with the most environmentally sound methods. Clover is positioned to be a part of that increasing product portfolio.



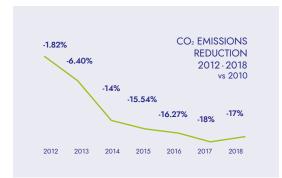
Lyreco Toner cartdridges launched in 2018 meets the highest standard with regards to the environment, quality and health.





## CO<sub>2</sub> FMISSIONS





Less transport kilometers thanks to optimised tour planning

E-Rickshaw delivery in Switzerland

EcoDrive driver training

Green fleet: 108 eco-friendly vans (electric, natural gas) in 2018

# A FULL VALUE CHAIN APPROACH



#### **WAREHOUSE & OFFICES**

Waste Management

Voice picking

Eco-friendly buildings

Picking-fault reduction process to limit 'return deliveries'

Stock/Replenishment management

If possible, merge order-requests to one order by the supplier

Reduction of the Backorder rate to limit 2<sup>nd</sup> deliveries

**Energy Saving programmes** 

Renewable energy sources

Vertical storage

Green printing

E-trading and dematerialisation of documents

# OOO SALES & COO CUSTOMER SERVICE

One-stop solution: one delivery Optimisation of order behaviours

Hybrid and electric fleet: 170 eco-friendly cars in 2018

Recycling: capsules, PET (plastic), toner cartridges, battery, ink cartridges, etc.

Customer visit planning: minimising travel distances

Eco-drive behaviors

Dematerialisation & E-invoicing: more than 3.000.000 e-invoices issued in 2018

Development of video conferencing





#### MARKETING

Development of green product ranges

Consistent use of recycling paper for all printed material

Optimisation of package sizes



Reduction of stuffing box material

Use of resource-conserving materials

Reuse of cardboard boxes



# LYRECO RICKSHAWS: RESPONSIBLE IN

Urban air pollution is a major issue all over the world. By equipping three Swiss cities (Zurich, Bern and Basel) with electric rickshaws, Lyreco Switzerland is actively involved in reducing CO2 emissions in the city centres.

This new Asian-inspired transportation hasseveral logistical advantages: in addition to a nearly zero carbon footprint, enables client deliveries in car-free areas and enriches the customer experience with an original touch.

#### A SUCCESS STORY

In 2018, the rickshaw electric fleet achieved impressive results:

47,321 DELIVERIES

90.098 PACKAGES DELIVERED

686,664 kg OF MERCHANDISE





## CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS



#### SUSTAINABLE LOGISTICS IN THE UK

In 2015, Lyreco WISE, our UK and Ireland subsidiary, installed 14,000 solar panels on the roof of a Lyreco warehouse in Telford. Comparing their carbon footprint before and now, let us have a look at the impact of this initiative.

Solar power is the conversion of the energy from the sun to usable electricity. The most common source of solar power utilises photovoltaic cells to convert sunlight into electricity.

#### IT DOESN'T POLLUTE

Solar energy is a non-polluting, clean, reliable and renewable source of electricity.

#### IT'S LONG LASTING

Solar cells are fully silent at all and they do not contain new moving parts, which them long lasting and require very little maintenance.

#### IT'S RENEWABLE

Solar energy is a renewable source of energy and will continue to produce electricity as long as sun exists.

#### THEY'RE EASY TO INSTALL

Solar panels are easy to install and do not require any wires, cords or power sources. Unlike wind and geothermal power stations, solar panels do not need drilling machines and can be installed on rooftops, which means no new space is needed.



# **BEFORE**

2010

18%

of Lyreco UK & Ireland's carbon footprint comes from energy sources

Group target: 3% reduction per year (not reached from 2010 to 2014)



2015

14,000

Solar panels installed

# **AFTER**

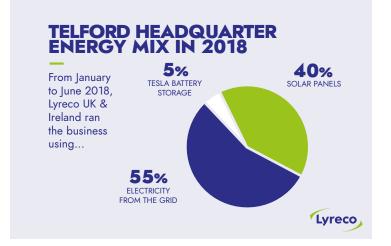
2018

6%

of Lyreco UK & Ireland's carbon footprint comes from energy sources

-24%

reduction of carbon footprint compared to 2010 (8% per year)





# **ECONOMICS**GOALS & KPI



Lyreco considers sustainability as a responsibility to be fully shared with its suppliers. The Economics portion of our Eco Future strategy 2012 · 2018 has been primarily focused on developing shared continuous improvement in this area.

#### **OUR MAIN GOALS**

To build lasting customer relationships by providing solutions to their sustainability issues.

#### **OUR MAIN ACTIONS**

SUPPLIER PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

97 international Group suppliers evaluated

#### **EARLY PAYMENT SYSTEM**

# FACTORIES AUDITS & SUPPLIERS ASSESSMENT

98% of the factories producing Lyreco products are subject to social and environmental audits.

Supplier sustainability performance initiatives in the on rooftops, which means response to increasing requests all over the years from customers on that matter.





# **ECONOMICS**

## SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE



# **BALANCED FINANCIAL** RELATIONS WITH SUPPLIERS

Beyond the fundamental environmental and ethical dimensions of Corporate Responsibility, we have developed balanced and fair relations with our suppliers.

As a company headquartered in France, one of the guidelines adopted by Lyreco purchasing and marketing teams to support this engagement is the "Charter for responsible supplier relations" co-defined by the French Ministry of Economy and the French purchasing association.

Among the 10 guiding principles, Lyreco pays particular attention to guaranteeing the equitable financial treatment of suppliers.

#### **EARLY PAYMENT SYSTEM**

Strict compliance with the contractually agreed upon terms of payment is a key ingredient a trusted relationship between Lyreco and its suppliers.

Lyreco has always met its financial commitment towards its suppliers.

To further improve its financial relationships with suppliers, Lyreco has implemented an early payment system. It allows suppliers to be paid early by offering approved discounts on their invoices. Lyreco makes cash available to create liquidity for them. A mutually-beneficial way to collaborate on margin improvement and sustainability.



Supplier Award 2018 winners: Exacompta (Office supplies), Clover (Tech&Print), Tesa (Industrial workplace), Greenspeed (Life@Work)

#### How do you encourage mutual continuous improvement between Lyreco and suppliers?

As a responsible partner, we commit to shared improvement with our suppliers. Lyreco Group Marketing Division has developed 2 complementary mechanisms over the years to enhance continuous improvement from both sides.

- · The Supplier Performance Improvement Programme (SPIP), whose assessment grid covers 4 performance criteria: Competitiveness, Category Management, Logistics and, of course, Sustainability. In 2018, 97 suppliers have been evaluated, 100% of our international supplier base.
- · In the other direction, the Lyreco supplier survey aimed to identify room for improvement in Lyreco's supplier management process.

#### What is the importance of sustainability in the suppliers evaluation proaramme?

Formerly operating as a standalone evaluation, the sustainability assessment has been fully integrated in the Supplier Performance Improvement Programme. It accounts for 20% of the evaluation and covers 4 major dimensions that reflect our customers' expectations:

- · CSR governance and ethics
- · Supply chain
- · Green product assessment
- · Management systems: HSE & Social Accountability

#### How do you support suppliers commitment to this programme?

Based on the results of these evaluation tools, the ambition is to build an annual individual improvement action plan in unison. This plan will be implemented and coordinated throughout the year by the Lyreco Product Category, QSS and Logistics teams.

An internal transversal process and continuous dialogue with our suppliers are the keys to ensure progress from both parties.



Mélanie Merciris Lyreco Group Project leader





# **ECONOMICS** FACTORY AUDITS & SUPPLIER ASSESSMENTS



Lyreco has developed an extensive range of its own brand products. More than 1,500 items are now offered to our customers with the objective to align the highest quality and value for money with sustainability along the supply chain.

As one of the first distributors of workplace supplies across the world, Lyreco has a special responsibility to ensure that the business conduct of suppliers is socially, ethically, environmentally and legally compliant.

To ensure that our responsibility and sustainability standards are constantly met or exceeded, the Lyreco 2012 · 2018 Eco Future strategy has allowed the continuous extension and strengthening of improvement processes of Lyreco manufacturing suppliers. The strategy also places a specific focus on risk countries\*.

\*Sustainability audits in «risk countries» covers all Lyreco brand products directly or indirectly imported, whether sourced at the Group or local level.

# 6 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS REINFORCEMENT OF OUR COMPLIANCY AND SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENTS



# DEVELOPING AND CONTROLLING A CHAIN OF

Nasser Kahil | Lyreco Group QSS Director

What have been the main developments in terms of Lyreco own brand manufacturers over the last 6 years?

The first change was the implementation of our Supplier Sustainability Assessment in 2015. This concerns not only Lyreco's own brand product manufacturers but also any Group supplier.

In terms of factory audits, we extended its scope in 2016 by integrating environmental aspects. At the same time, we decided to systematically involve a duly accredited third party to arrange our SEDEX 4-pillar audits. In addition, shadow/complementary audits have been implemented to strenother the reliability of the process. This is performed by the Lyreco QSS team.



#### Supplier

Third three: companies are suppliers to third two firms.



#### Supplier

Third two: companies are the key suppliers to third one suppliers, without supplying a product directly



In addition to these tools, we may also perform dedicated Supplier Sustainability Due Diligence. The goal is to make sure that we capture all the relevant sustainability aspects, depending on the product category, the location of the supplier and its context. This is a thorough analysis. launched for the complex situations.

#### How do you ensure mutual cooperation along the whole supply chain?

Our priority is to work with our direct suppliers, usually called 'first third' suppliers. At the same time, we ask them to 'cascade down ' throughout their own suppliers our sustainability principles.



#### **Direct Supplier**

Third one: companies are direct suppliers to Lyreco.



**Products** 

Depending on 'risk management' criteria, with a particular focus on risk countries, we may also apply our auditing programme to providers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> thirds of the supply chain.





# **SOCIAL** GOALS & KPI



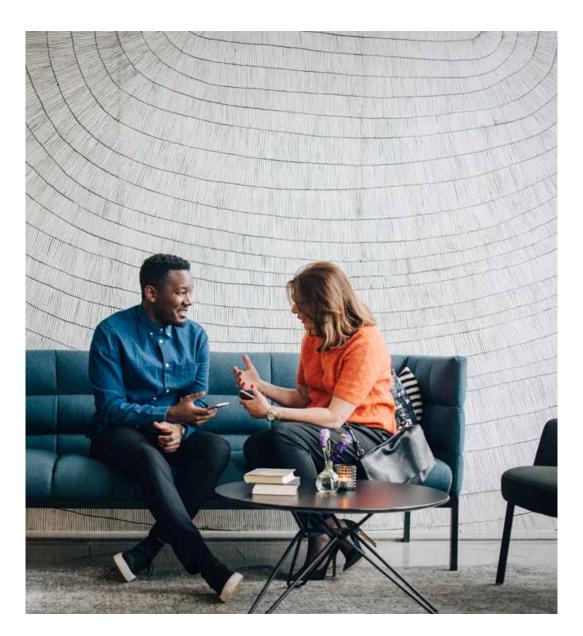
In the delivery of its Social Responsibility policy, Lyreco aims to:

- · Focus on human relationships and deve-
- · Reinforce our long-term relationships

This means dedicated actions and programmes on working conditions, lost working days due to injuries, training levels and charitable contributions.



<sup>\*</sup>A new Group HR strategy started in 2018, based on new KPIs, which are still under construction



#### **OUR MAIN GOALS**

Focus on human relationships and development

Reinforce our long-term relationship

#### **OUR MAIN ACTIONS**

#### TRAINING PLAN AND TALENT **DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

18.3 hours of training per employee

#### HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELL-BEING

Quality of worklife activities

New solutions to increase training levels (LinkedIn learning)

Lost working day measurement

Our priority is to work with our direct suppliers, usually called 'first third' suppliers

#### **CODE OF ETHICS**

#### INTERNAL MOBILITY AND PROMOTIONS

#### LYRECO FOR EDUCATION

2 million euros raised in 8 years for Togo and Madagascar

More local communities supported all around the world

Huge employees involvement in LFE actions

Fundraising target achieved

Supporting local communities and charities





# SOCIAL **WORKING CONDITIONS**



# EQUAL SALARY CERTIFICATION IN SWITZERLAND

The gender pay gap is the difference between the average male and female income. It depends on some elements including sector, occupation, age, country and family responsibilities. At Lyreco, we want all our people to be treated equitably and without any discrimination.

The equal salary methodology was designed to allow companies around the world, in every field, to address the issues of inequality and discrimination to ensure

that all employees are paid equally for the same work.

The equal salary certification is a process that allows companies to verify and communicate that they pay their female and male employees equally for the same job or for jobs of the same value.

Since April 2015, Lyreco Switzerland achieved this certification, underscoring their its commitment to social equality among Lyreco employees.

**GENDER PAY GAP REASONS** IN SWITZERLAND

40% DIRECT OR/AND INDIRECT DISCRIMINATION

**60**% OBJECTIVE FACTORS

> Differences in education, training and work experience

Occupational gender

Part-time vs. full-time work

Company size Union presence

Source: Federal Office of statistics



## EQUAL SALARY CERTIFICATION **PROCESS**

#### **SALARY ANALYSIS**

The Equal Salary Foundation collects all employee salary data securely and anonymously. It is then analysed to see if the wage difference is less than or equal to 5%, and if the R-squared value is greater than or equal to 90%. If all goes well, the analysis moves to Step 2.

#### **ON-SITE REVIEW**

Following international quality standards, the auditing team makes sure that equal salary requirements are met while assessing the following:

- · CEO/top management's commitment to equal pay for all
- · How well equal pay strategies are integrated into the HR processes and policies
- · Employees' perception of the company's pay practices

#### CERTIFICATION

Depending on the audit results, the company is awarded with the Equal Salary Certificate from the Equal Salary Foundation. It is then free to promote the certification through company communications, to prove that it supports and provides equal pay in the workplace.

#### MONITORING REVIEWS

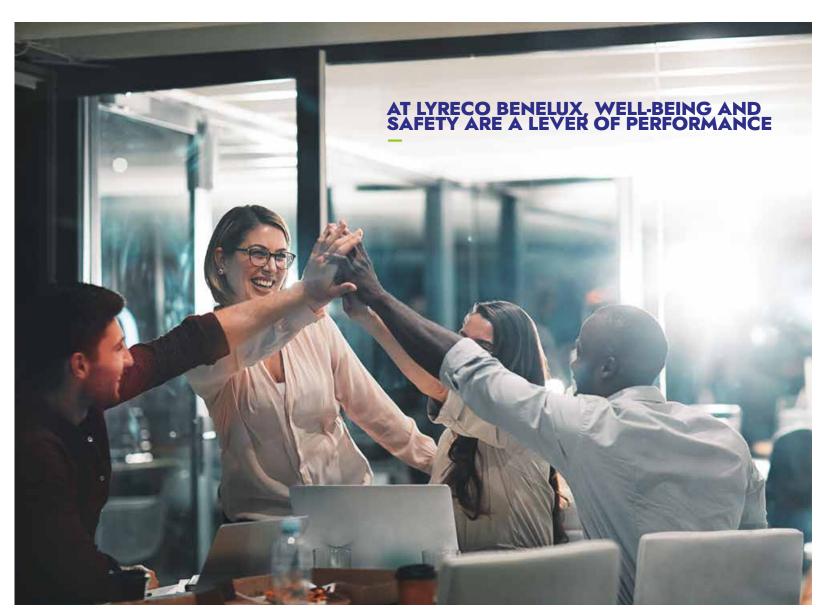
The certification is valid for 3 years. During this period, two monitoring reviews are conducted to show the ongoing commitment to a fair and nondiscriminatory wage policy.





# **SOCIAL WORKING CONDITIONS**





Employee satisfaction has always been a priority for Lyreco. Benelux took a step forward, launching its Lyreco Cares programme. Lyreco Cares is an interdepartmental collaboration coordinated by HR, QSS and Marcom that is concerned with the well-being of all Lyreco employees through a combination of individual and collective initiatives and a dynamic communication around four pillars:

#### MENTAL RESILIENCE

In times when we are flooded with impulses and opportunities through various channels, it is crucial to mentally arm ourselves against the challenges that we have to face on a daily basis, both in our private and professional lives.

#### STRESS REDUCTION

Stress often unwittingly creeps into our system. Healthy pressure causes no harm, but excessive stress is a problem. Stress, for example, is at the root of various physical ailments, which in the long run can be detrimental to your health. An adapted way of working can prevent falls into the 'stress trap'.

#### PHYSICAL HEALTH

A healthy mind is inextricably linked to a healthy body. A job that involves a lot of physical labour, however, requires a different approach than a desk job.

#### SAFETY@WORK

Safety on the shop floor is a top priority. Here, too, the diverse needs of our colleagues must be taken into account.





# **SOCIAL** LOST WORKING DAYS



# HOW LYRECO THAILAND COMMITS FOR ITS EMPLOYEES

When working conditions are optimised, employees work better and collaborate more effectively for the success of the business. Lost working days are a good indicator for measuring the status of working conditions within a company.

Since these lost days are calculated based on employees in work stoppage conditions, it is essential for Lyreco to anticipate any potential risky situation by implementing up solutions for the health and wellbeing of our employees.

Lyreco Thailand teams have also understood this, and have focused on two recently implemented actions that have already proven their effectiveness.

**EMPLOYEES WORK BETTER** and collaborate more effectively

### **YOGA CLASSES**

Last year, HR teams in Thailand noticed that office syndrome had become more common among employees who worked all day in front of a computer.

In 2018, the Thailand Welfare Committee (comsisting of representatives from all departments) offered yoga classes as a solution to combat this problem. Since January 2019, they can enjoy yoga as after-work activity.

The main objective of these classes is to boost and maintain employee happiness and wellness. Yoga classes take place twice a week from 6 to 7 pm and welcome up to 15 people.

After the first year, all of the employees provided positive feedback and asked to renew the contract with the instructor.





# SPEED LIMITATION SYSTEM

In January 2019, Lyreco Thailand integrated a speed limitation system in all for their vehicles.

Noticing a sharp increase in speeding fines for their drivers, Lyreco Thailand teams decided to implement a tangible prevention policy, integrating three speed limitation devices in three 1-ton trucks. The purpose of this new system is to avoid serious accidents and protect employees by raising awareness of the importance of driving at a suitable and safe speed.

Its installation in Lyreco vehicles is already considered as a success since the number of speeding tickets dropped to zero and no lost working days due to driving accidents have thus far been reported.





# SOCIAL TRAINING



Lifelong learning is a strong conviction at Lyreco... We believe in a training policy tailored to the needs of our employees that meets our customers' needs and the expectations of our markets. At all of our subsidiaries, we spread our culture of learning and continuous improvement to ensure that everyone has access to knowledge.

# A SALES FORCES TRAINING JOURNEY AT LYRECO SPAIN

In order to enhance customer satisfaction in the SMB market in Spain, Iberia has developed a training journey for its sales forces based on:

Consultative Sales Programme for Corporate to develop new competences in KAM and SAM

Transformation of the ASM role in order to reinforce the new business model

New role for reps and new visits in order to reinforce the new

Inside Sales Programme to improve hunter skills

Onboarding programme for new hires

Specific programme to support the marketing team in its new role as Category Manager (CATMAN)

Leadership Development Programme for new managers

Team coaching for SMB to build a high performance team

Middle Management Programme based

on the ADKAR Model, Agile Management and Project Management

Transformation to improve new competences for all the staff

English training for the entire staff

Supply Chain Programme to support teams in their new roles

LinkedIn learning for the entire staff

The objective is to integrate new sales methods and improve the staff's long-term trusted and professional relationships with customers.

#### **KEY FIGURES**

AVERAGE TRAINING INVESTMENT PER PERSON: €363

HOURS OF TRAINING PER EMPLOYEE IN 2019: 20

### **CROSS TEAM OPEN DAYS AT LYRECO ITALY**

At Lyreco Italy, employees have the opportunity to register for the Open Days, during which a specific department presents itself to other company colleagues in the company. During these days, people open their minds and improve their knowledge about the company's projects, processes and strategies.

Expertise derives from a dynamic training policy, in line with the evolution of our mar-

kets. In this context, every week Lyreco Italy employees have access to a video training dedicated to the Industrial world (hygiene or PPE) on the Office 365 video app.

#### **KEY FIGURES**

87% OF ALL ITALY EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATED IN A TRAINING SESSION IN 2018

HOURS OF TRAINING PER EMPLOYEE IN 2019: 16





# SOCIAL LYRECO for EDUCATION



# RAISING FUNDS TOGETHER

The Lyreco For Education programme raises funds from the 25 countries in which Lyreco operates to give children living in poor conditions better access to education.

Each project has been developed in partnership with an international NGO focusing on children's education. A specific action plan is defined based on objectives that respond to local challenges:

- · Building school facilities or renovating classrooms, boarding houses, sanitary infrastructures or playgrounds
- · Training of teachers and school directors, including, e.g., initial training and pedagogy.
- · Learning equipment such as books, chalkboards and teaching supplies
- · Raising the awareness and involvement of parents
- · Equal access to education
- · The final goal of each project is to maintain our actions over a lifetime by increasing child enrollment in the long term.





when a child goes to school, a nation grows

Committing our 9,500 employees to devote time to charitable operations is part of the company culture. At each of our subsdiaries, Lyreco employees commit to taking actions to raise money through 3 majors ways:

Internal events: breakfast stands, books sales, cake sales, challenges and games

Specific "buy and give back" sales operations with the involvement of our customers and suppliers

Individual donations by Lyreco employees





# **SOCIAL** LYRECO for EDUCATION



## **RESULTS**

During the 6 years covered by the Eco Future 2012 · 2018 Strategy, our 9,500 employees have been committed to raising funds internally for 2 major projects:

- · Togo, launched in 2011 in partnership with Agence Française de Développement (AFD)
- · Madagascar, launched in 2014 in partnership with the NGO CARE

2011 · 2014 2015 - 2018 **TOGO MADAGASCAR** 

CO FUNDS COLLECTED €1.2M

€1M

11

47

SCHOOLS SUPPORTED

© BENEFICIARY **72,800 19,138** 

SCHOOLS BUILT OR RENOVATED

49

200

TEACHERS TRAINED

165

269





# SOCIAL LOCAL CHARITY COMMITMENTS ACTIONS



## LYRECO KOREA

In 2017 and 2018, more than 30 Lyreco Korea employees donated about 130 books to the Nanoom Children Foundation in Korea.

#### LYRECO GERMANY

For several years, Lyreco Germany has been working together with the Cluster Social Agency from Hildesheim as part of the Sales Convention organisation in Germany. The cluster implements projects for sponsors and companies from economic and social sectors as well as the public sector. Cluster has donated the rest of the samples of participating suppliers of the Sales Convention 2018 to charitable institutions.



### LYRECO ITALY

Thanks to full employee involvement, Lyreco Italy launched numerous donation initiatives, such as collecting and offering delisted products to local associations and donating products for the benefit of Dynamo Camp (a non-profit organisation that organises activities for ill and handicapped children).

# LYRECO SPAIN & PORTUGAL

Lyreco for Education allowed Lyreco Iberia to involve their employees and suppliers in the project and achieve a +143% euros collected versus target.

# LYRECO UK & IRELAND

In 2016, Lyreco Wise launched a local Lyreco UK charity scheme that gives the Lyreco UK and Lyreco Ireland employees the opportunity to support national charities (with local impact), local charities. individuals, local communities, social clubs, leisure clubs and sports clubs.

Thanks to this, Lyreco Wise has received 100 internal charity applications submitted by employees. Based on these, Lyreco has supported 35 different community projects across UK and Ireland territory.



## LYRECO EAST & CENTRAL EUROPE

In Slovakia, everyone can be part of national Days of Volunteering. They are days when corporate employees help beautify, clean and improve the city/surroundings where they live. Lyreco CASH, our East and Central European subsidiary, has joined 3 times.

During these days, Lyreco values are developed among employees as people working in a non-standard situation enhance their ability to communicate, train, manage crises and work effectively as a team.

Finally but importantly, employees have the pleasure of actively working for a good cause, bringing them a sense of self-satisfaction

Lyreco mobilises local resources and is able to be part of the change that we all want to see in the world.

From 2016, Lyreco CASH has been proudly helpina:

2018 Pezinok House of Seniors - beautification of the campus

2017 Pezinok-Castle Park - Painting of Metal Fence

2016 Pezinok-Nursery - Painting and renovation of the playground







# A STRATEGY BASED ON THE LYRECO MATERIALITY MATRIX

When a significant change occurs in our company policy, it is important to include all of our stakeholders. By adopting the materiality matrix process (see p. 20 for detailed results), we engaged them in the definition of our CSR strategy and in our decision-making process.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE SCHEME**

The priorities that appeared after using the materiality matrix are the basis of Lyreco new CSR strategy, which now includes six major principles.



## **ECONOMICS**

Create the greatest customer experience in an omnichannel environment



### **SUPPLY CHAIN**

Develop a preferred and responsible supply base that enhances Lyreco's competitiveness and innovation, and the success of our customers



## **GOVERNANCE**

Conduct a risk and compliance management programme as an integrated part of CSR activities



### **PEOPLE**

Offer the greatest employee experience



### **ENVIRONMENT**

Act responsibly to minimise Lyreco's environmental impacts across the entire value chain, from our suppliers to our customers



### COMMUNITY

Make Education the core of the Lyreco Charity Programme at global and local levels





# **ECONOMICS**CREATE THE GREATEST CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE



Create a personal Lyreco experience by improving our customer knowledge

## **KEY ACTIONS**

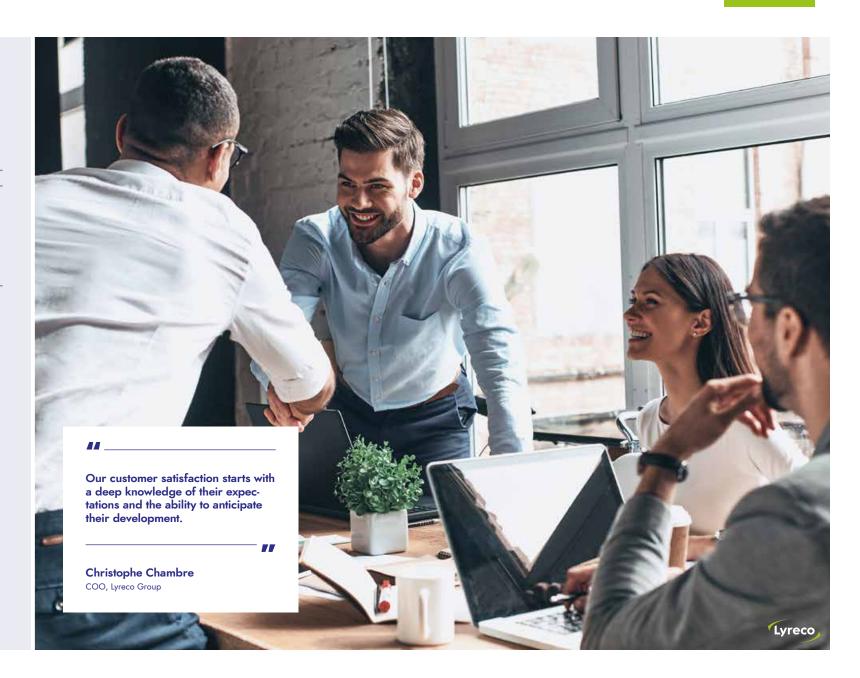
DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

NEW LOGISTICS MODEL

PRODUCTS & SERVICES IN LINE WITH NEW DATA MANAGEMENT AND USAGE

## **KPI**

A NET PROMOTER SCORE APPROACH
CUSTOMER SERVICE LEVEL





# **ECONOMICS** 2019 · HIGHLIGHTS



# 2 RESPONSIBLE PILLARS

Our business model is based on 2 responsible pillars:

- · A Lyreco personal customer experience based on a better understanding of our customers
- · A transparent business model that integrates corporate social responsability into all Lyreco activities

Customer satisfaction was the first item identified by both our internal and external stakeholder in the Lyreco Materiality Matrix. Customer satisfaction has always been at the centre of Lyreco's business model.

The core principle of this programme is a deep customer-centric approach that prioritises a merger of the best of human talent and commitment with the best-inclass digital solutions.



#### **BEST OF BREED TECH SOLUTIONS**

such as a modernised webshop, new digital tools aimed at supporting our teams to better understand customer

#### PROXIMITY AND COMMITMENT

of our local sales, customer care, logistics and delivery teams in the 25 countries in which we operate, supported by more and incentives.

#### INNOVATION

to develop new products and services in

THE RESULT IS A TRUE SEAMLESS, OMNICHANNEL AND "PHYGITAL" CUSTOMER JOURNEY BASED ON THE CONVERGENCE OF CUSTOMER DATA.

# #FRICTIONLESS SUPPLIES: 24H TO REINVENT REPLENISHMENT

1st Lyreco Hackathon, December 2018,

In December 2018, Lyreco organised an Hackathon gathering 12 European start-

The challenge posed to participants was to reinvent replenishment using predictive data, IoT and image recognition.

NumeriCube, a French start-up was awarded €20,000 for its stock management system using Artificial Intelligence. Thanks to image recognition and IoT, the system automatically assesses supplies available in a cupboard or shelf and reorders missing products. A Proof of Concept is now in development at a Lyreco customer in Poland.

Pierre-Julien Grizel, CTO NumeriCube with the Lyreco Innovation Team ©BeMvApps





# **GOVERNANCE**

# RISK AND COMPLIANCE AS AN INTEGRATED PART OF CSR ACTIVITIES



Implement global guidelines that are locally shared by all of our subsidiaries to reinforce our risk management processes

### **KEY ACTIONS**

**RISK MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION** 

RISK MATRIX

**RISK & OPPORTUNITIES TRAINING** & AWARENESS

## **KPI**

#OF AREAS COVERED WITH A RISK MANAGE-MENT APPROACH





# GOVERNANCE 2019 : HIGHLIGHTS



**NEW CSR** 

With 15 subsidiaries directly operating in 25 countries, 15 partners accompanying us in 17 additional markets and a global supply chain, the international dimension of Lyreco's business model requires a solid quality and environmental risk management system covering all our operations.

Beyond our business operations, it is a vital necessity to protect one of our most important asset: namely, our reputation as a responsible partner, which is at the core of our relation of trust with all of our stakeholders.

Lyreco Risk Management process covers quality and environmental aspects.

In 2019, in the context of the new CSR 2019 · 2024 strategy, Lyreco will extend the risk management process to new areas, such as:

- · Corruption
- · Social risks in our internal activities
- · Cyber-criminality

This new project will capitalise on our current risk management methodology.

## 2-PREVENTION

**AUDIT** 

CSR

INTERNAL CONTROL

**PROCEDURES** 

**ETHICS** 

# 1-IDENTIFICATION EVALUATION

RISK ASSESSMENT SCALES
RISK MATRIXES

# QUALITY & ENVIRONMENTAL RISK MANAGEMENT

### 4-ACTION REACTION

ACTIVATION OF BCP (BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN) ACTIVATION ACTIVATION OF THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

## 3-PROTECTION

RISK TRANSFER POLICY

CONCEPTION OF THE BCP

CONCEPTION OF THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



# LYRECO POLAND AWARDED AS A LEADER IN BUSINESS ETHICS

On November 28th, 2018. the Executive Club organised its «Responsible Business Awards» ceremony to honour companies who have achieved exceptional results in the domain of prosocial activities and CSR.

Lyreco Poland was recognised among 120 of the biggest and most mature companies in Poland, such as Siemens, Unilever, PKO Bank, BASF, Schneider Electric, Bosch or ING.





# **ENVIRONMENT**

# MINIMISE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ACROSS THE ENTIRE VALUE CHAIN



From supplier to consumer, we continually optimise our value chain to minimise our environmental impact.

## **KEY ACTIONS**

GREENER FLEET/BUILDINGS

WASTE MANAGEMENT

RECYCLING SERVICES TO CUSTOMERS

EU PEF DEVELOPMENT/CIRCULAR ECONOMY

## **KPI**

CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS

#OF PRODUCT CATEGORIES WITH PEF/ CIRCULAR ECONOMY





# **ENVIRONMENT**

# EU PEF: A STEP FURTHER IN THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY



For many years now, Lyreco had adopted circular economy principles to support its customers in their sustainability objectives, for example, by deploying recycling services and selecting products that emphasise a lifecycle approach.

In 2019, this ambition will be taken to the next level by making the Circular Economy a priority trend to both leverage innovation and develop new products and services.

A major step has already been taken in June 2019: Lyreco was the first BtoB company to officially assess the environmental footprint of its own brand products through a new method that takes into account the whole lifecycle of a product: the EU Product Environmental Footprint (EU PEF).

#### 

Our ambition is to make the EU PEF a new criterion of choice for consumers and a lever of development and innovation for the ecological transition. Retailers have a major role to play in this new ecosystem. They are the links between consumers and brands. Lyreco is the first European player to enter this new era of sustainable development by publicising the environmental performance that is rigorously evaluated by Yukan according to the PEF method.

#### **Christophe Girardier**

Yukan CEO & Co-Founder

#### EU PRODUCT ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

Since 2015, Lyreco has been involved in a European project initiated by the European Commission: the EU Product Environmental Footprint (EU PEF)

The objective of the EU PEF is to define a common European evaluation methodology for different types of consumer products aimed at:

Measuring the environmental impact of the product across its lifecycle

Improving customers awarness and information

Encouraging companies to pursue the continuous improvement of its brands

# YuKan

The environmental performance of the Lyreco brand detergent product was calculated and analysed using the Yukan technology platform, the first digital assessment, analysis and ecodesign platform, in line with the EC's PEF method. The compliance of the Yukan platform with the PEFCR detergent has been established by the trusted third party EY.

### **ASSESSING THE ENTIRE PRODUCT LIFECYCLE**

The introduction of the EU PEF methodology is a major step in the fields of environmental impact measurement and consumer information. It will definitely support European purchasers and end-users to prioritise a green and sustainable approach in their purchasing practices.

By measuring the environmental performance of products at each step of the lifecycle through 16 criteria, the EU PEF provides a new and comprehensive assessment aimed at harmonising the information provided to customers across all EU member countries.

The EU PEF methodology measures the environmental performance of products throughout the entire lifecycle: from materials sourcing to the end-of-life of the product.



- Climate change
- 2. Water scarcity
- 3. Land use
- 4. Acidification
- 5. Ozone depletion
- 6. Human toxicity (non cancerous effects)
- 7. Marine eutrophication
- 8. Eco-toxicity freshwater
- 9. Terrestrial eutrophication
- 10. Particulate matter
- 11. Resource use (mineral)
- 12. Fossils energy resource use
- 13. Aquatic freshwater eutrophication
- 14. Human toxicity (cancerous effects)
- 15. Ionising radiation
- 16. Photo-chemicals ozone formation









# **ENVIRONMENT**

## LYRECO LAUNDRY LIQUID FU PEF EVALUATION



Lyreco Laundry Liquid is a product in the Lyreco Hygiene range.

#### SCORING METHODOLOGY

A PEFCR for the Laundry Liquid detergents products category was designed by a committee of industry experts and validated by a steering committee chaired by the EC.

This PEFCR makes possible to evaluate the environmental performance of a Laundry Liquid detergent, according to a defined functional unit. This score is the results of the weighted impact evaluation of all environmental indicators at each stages of the product lifecycle.

The score is defined on a common usage basis: 1 dose of product per 1 wash.

It is expressed in micropoints (upt) and compared with the score of a representative Laundry Liquid detergent (with EU average characteristics).

The closer this score is to zero, the less impact it has on the environment.



30% LESS **IMPACT** ON THE **FNVIRONMENT** than the average laundry liquid product.



#### **ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS**

In a detailed evaluation, Climate change, Resource usage (fossils) and Particulate matter are the most impacted environmental indicators.

40% GLOBAL WARMING

18% RESOURCE USE (FOSSILS)

8% **PARTICULATE** MATTER

#### KEY ENVIRONMENTAL PERFOR-MANCE FACTORS

LESS DETERGENTS REQUIRED TO WASH 4.5 kg OF TEXTILES

LOWER AMOUNT OF CHEMICAL

CHEMICAL USED ARE LESS IMPACTING

# Lyreco

# ENVIRONMENTAL

Lyreco Laundry Liquid is more environmentally friendly that the average laundry liquid with a score of 12.6 vs 18 µpt/dose.

#### LIFECYCLE ASSESSMENT

Except for the End-of-life, Lyreco Laundry Liquid performs better than the representative product at each stage of the lifecycle. For the Raw material stage, which is one of the most important one, Lyreco product particularly performs in comparison with the average product. This is also the case for the Manufacturing process.

50% less impact in the Raw Material category: 4.58 vs 8.10 µpts/dose

30% less impact on the Manufacturing process category: 0.30 vs 0.46 µpts/dose

#### LIFECYCLE COMPARED RESULTS (in upt/dose)\*

	LYRECO DETERGENT	REPRESENTATIVE PRODUCT
RAW MATERIAL	4.58	8.1
PACKAGING	0.77	2.05
MANUFACTURING	0.3	0.46
DISTRIBUTION	0.89	1.22
END-OF-LIFE	6.22	6.13
TOTAL	12.58	17.95
USE PHASE	20.65	20.65
Including water release from the washing machine.		

### **NEXT STEPS**

#### CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

To improve the environmental performance of the Lyreco Laundry Liquid, Lyreco will work with Greenspeed to even further optimise the raw material stage by using alternatives to surfactants and fatty acids or more environmentally friendly ones.

#### **ENCOURAGE OUR SUPPLIERS TO** ADOPT THE EU PEF METHODOLOGY

Lyreco will use this first ever EU PEF evaluation as a 'demo' to our suppliers and get more industries and producers on board.

#### PROMOTE EU PEF TO OUR **CUSTOMERS**

The EU PEF will be communicated to our European customers in each of the EU member countries.

(\*) The detailed results of the environmental performance of the Lyreco product ("PEF report" certified by trusted third party EY) can be asked at: group.gss@lyreco.com





# **SUPPLY CHAIN**

# A PREFERRED RESPONSIBLE SUPPLY BASE



Together with our suppliers, we are building the most responsible and sustainable supply chain possible.

### **KEY ACTIONS**

**BUSINESS SUPPLIER AGREEMENT FOLLOW-UP** SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT SUPPLIER EDUCATION AND AWARENESS INTERNAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

## **KPI**

SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY SCORE AWARENESS ACTIONS & PROGRAMMES



Suppliers audit China february 2019



# SUPPLY CHAIN

2019 · HIGHLIGHTS



**NEW CSR** 

#### **VIGILANCE PLAN**

In May 2019, Lyreco produced its latest Vigilance Plan 2018 & 2019 covering on-going improvement & best practices process.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Article L. 225-102-4 of the French Commercial Code, the vigilance plan aims to set forth the reasonable measures implemented at the Group. The objective is to identify the risks and prevent severe impacts on human rights and fundamental freedoms, human health and safety and the environment resulting from:

- · The activities of the Company
- The activities of the companies that it controls, directly or indirectly
- The activities of subcontractors or suppliers with which it has an established commercial relationship, where such activities are linked to this relationship.

#### LYRECO APPROACH

Even before these new legal requirements (applicable from 2018), Lyreco set up from 2010 Lyreco has established dedicated programmes to deal with the aforementioned issues.

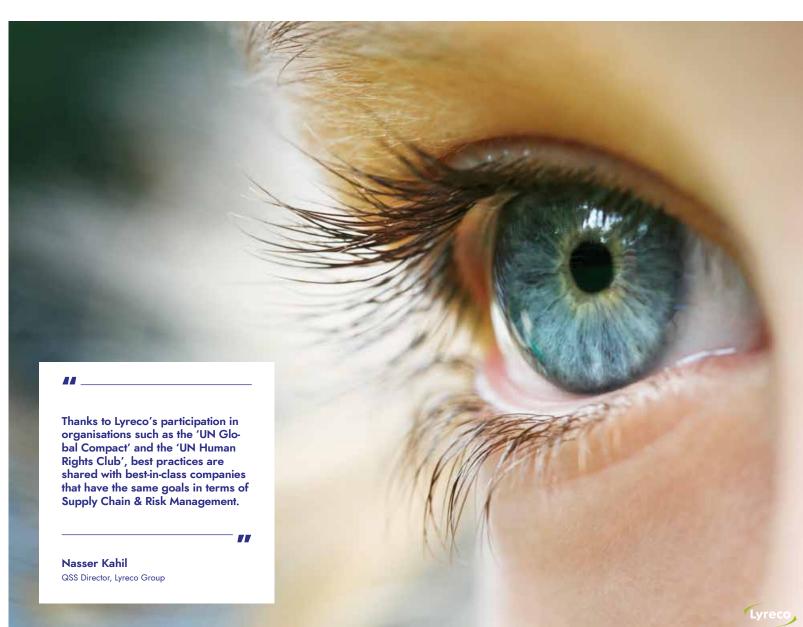
The Lyreco Vigilance Plan consists of the following elements:

RISK MAPPING

EVALUATION PROCEDURES & PREVENTIVE ACTIONS

ALERT AND REPORTING MECHANISMS

A SYSTEM TO MONITOR THE MEASURES IMPLEMENTED AND TO EVALUATE







# **PEOPLE** BUILDING THE GREATEST EMPLOYEE EXPERIENCE TO SUPPORT CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

We strive to offer our employees the best possible experience in a work environment that is respectful of their values and attentive to their well-being and aspirations.

### **KEY ACTIONS**

ACT FOR A RESPECTFUL ENVIRONMENT-**EQUALITY & DIVERSITY** 

EFFECTIVE WELLBEING AT WORK

## **KPI**

RECRUITING TIME AND TURNOVER ABSENTEEISM (INJURIES, BURNOUT) GENERATIONAL AND GENDER DIVERSITY **#OF TRAINEES AND APPRENTICES** 





# **PEOPLE** 2019 · HIGHLIGHTS



## DEVELOPING A POOL OF LOCAL DIGITAL TALENT WHILE FOSTERING SOCIAL INCLUSION

Digital transformation is at the heart of Lyreco Group's commitment to providing the best customer experience. Benefitting from an expert workforce in specific IT and e-commerce fields is key to achieve this ambition. This business engagement is a lever for fulfilling Lyreco social and economic responsibility at local level by elevating young talents.

The Lyreco Group partners with Pop School, a local social impact company who conducts digital and technology trainings aimed at young persons, jobseekers and people in vocational conversion.

Lyreco and Pop school have initiated a new 7 month training for 15 people. Focusing on JAVA EE, the standard technology used in the development of web applications, the training content has been specifically designed to address Lyreco digital customer experience projects.

From April to November 2019, the students will benefit from 3 months of intensive courses at Popschool, 2 months of apprenticeship and 2 months of internship at Lyreco. Students are recruited focusing first on their motivation and states of mind.



1st Lyreco Group/Pop School intake





# PEOPLE PROVIDING A PERMANENT ACCESS TO TRAINING

In January 2019, Lyreco has accelerated the implementation of e-learning solutions by adopting LinkedIn Learning

LinkedIn Learning provides a permanent access to quality on-line courses.

The solution covers all aspects of Lyreco's business: strategic management, marketing, logistics, customer experience, innovation and advanced technologies (IOT, block chains, Artificial Intelligence, etc).

It is aimed at supporting our teams in their desire to enhance their current competences and acquiring new ones in a context of the fast evolution of our markets and the rapid digitalisation of our business operations.

## **KPI**

From January to June 2019: 5250 PEOPLE ENROLLED

2671 ACTIVE USERS

35 870 VIDEO COURSES VIEWED

1800 TRAINING HOURS

13 COURSES TAKEN PER ACTIVE USERS









# **COMMUNITY**

# EDUCATION AT THE CORE OF LYRECO'S CHARITY PROGRAMME



We believe that as a responsible company, we can have a positive impact on the world around us. Thanks to the commitment of our employees, we place education at the heart of our charity programme. Together we help people become change agents. By enabling children and young adults to access education, we are empowering the responsible workers of tomorrow

### **KEY ACTIONS**

FUNDRAISING THROUGH LOCAL INITIATIVES **BUILDING SCHOOLS** 

REPLENISHING SCHOOL SUPPLIES

## **KPI**

LFE FUNDS

LOCAL PROGRAMMES





# LYRECO for EDUCATION

## NEW CHARITY PROGRAMME 2019 · 2022



**NEW CSR STRATEGY** 

After Bangladesh, Brazil, Vietnam, Togo, and Madagascar, the next country that Lyreco For Education will support is Cambodia.

From January 2019 and over the next 4 years, our 9,500 employees will take action to raise 1 million euros to directly support around 11,000 children and teenagers enrolled in 8 primary and 18 secondary schools in the regions of Ratana Kiri and Mondul Kiri in North-Eastern Cambodia

The objective of this new programme is to increase school enrolment and reduce school drop out by improving the quality of education and learning conditions, in particular, for ethnic minorities.

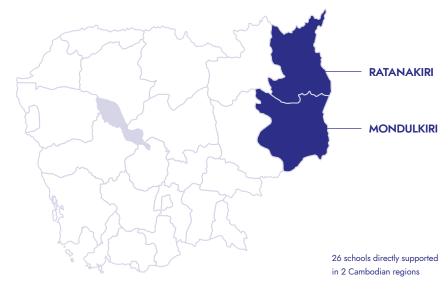
Build a boarding house for 60 students

Support scientific and digital education by training 92 teachers and implement laboratories and IT equipment in 3 schools

Develop health and hygiene education, and build and renovate the sanitary infrastructures of 8 primary schools and 3 high schools

Fund 60 scholarships

Support child protection training and awareness programmes





# CONCLUSION

### **A PATH FORWARD**

With this new CSR strategy, Lyreco opens a new era in terms of sustainability and responsibility.

Throughout the years, we have implemented concrete and tangible actions, praised by a wide range of CSR awards and third party assessments.

We strive now to expand them by implementing dedicated guiding principles to key areas of our activities such as Supply Chain and Risk management.

We will commit further to pursuing opportunities offered by major trends such as Circular Economy and Smart Cities to improve further our footprint.

And we will obviously keep on continuously improving in domains deeply invested for many years such as Environment and Contribution to the community.

This new strategy is more than ever a shared journey in which our key stakeholders are strongly involved. Together with them, we are working to develop even more trustful relationship with our customers.



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#### **ECO FUTURE 2019 · 2024 KEY ACTIONS KPI** Digital transformation NPS approach and improvement New Logistics model Customer Service level Products & Services in line with new **ECONOMIC** Data management and usage Greener Fleet/Buildings CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Waste Management Product Categories with PEF/ Recycling Services to Customers Circular Economy EU PEF Development/Circular **ENVIRONMENT** Economy **BSA** (Business Supplier Agreement) Supplier Sustainability Score Supplier Sustainability Assessment Awareness Actions & Supplier Education and Awareness **Programmes SUPPLY CHAIN** Internal Education and Awareness Act for a respectful environment Recruiting time and turnover **Equality & Diversity** Absenteeism (injuries, burnout) Effective Wellbeing at work **PEOPLE** Risk Management organisation Areas covered with a Risk Risk Matrix Management Approach Risk & Opportunities Training **GOVERNANCE** & Awareness LFE Funds LFE collection Operations **Local Programmes** Frame for local programmes COMMUNITY



