

Policy

Environmental Policy



At COFCO International, we recognize that sustainable management of natural resources are imperative to the performance of our activities. We are therefore aware of the need to conserve them and develop pro-active environmental management, resource efficiency and biodiversity strategies to manage potential risks and reduce our impact.

We are committed to conducting our activities in an environmentally responsible manner, not only based on complying with applicable national and local laws and regulations, but also on standards to which the organization subscribes, including, for example, the IFC Performance Standards and World Bank general and sector-specific EHS Guidelines. We work to continuously analyse risks and opportunities in our decision-making process, including improving our environmental management performance and optimizing resource efficiency. Accordingly, we encourage the use of best-available technologies and production processes that favour optimum energy and water efficiency, waste management, chemical use, prevention of pollution and reduction of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions.

In line with the above, we commit ourselves to the following:

- Implement management systems, consistent with ISO 14001, that systematically identify, assess and manage environmental risks and impacts to continuously improve our performance;
- Measure, manage and communicate our environmental impact, including, our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through the definition of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs);
- Use renewable and non-fossil fuel energy wherever possible;
- Use all natural resources, including water, energy and fuel, efficiently;
- Apply management and disposal methods and processes involving re-use or recycling ofmaterials and/or waste wherever possible;
- Minimize any possible negative effects of our operations in the form of air emissions, GHG
 emissions, effluents, waste and discharges, and local biodiversity;
- Protect biodiversity of habitats surrounding our facilities and ensure "no net biodiversity loss" caused by our operations, include biodiversity in the scope of environmental impact assessment for new industrial and farming operations to avoid operating in high biodiversity value areas;
- Apply good agricultural practices to enhance soil fertility and minimize erosion, reduce water loss and use inputs efficiently, including the exclusion of WHO classed 1a and 1b products;
- Create environmental awareness among our employees, contractors and business partners through active communication, engagement, training, etc.;
- Encourage good environmental practices throughout our supply chains that comply with all applicable environmental legislation and protect natural resources and biodiversity;
- Establish measurable targets and conduct periodic audits to monitor, measure and continuously improve our performance; and



 Consult stakeholders on environmental issues and provide a grievance mechanism, our Integrity Hotline (https://www.cofcointernational.com/integrity-hotline/english) to confidentially report concerns of negative environmental impact and non-compliances with this policy.

The Environmental Policy resides with the Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) function at COFCO International. The executive management team led by the CEO has overall accountability for the company's environmental performance. Business units are responsible for ensuring compliance and implementation, supported by the EHS team. Each employee of COFCO International is responsible for actions and behaviours that drive environmental sustainability.

This policy applies to:

Employees, on-site contractors and service providers.

Scope:

This Policy shall be enforced in all wholly owned and/or controlled COFCO International Ltd. operations, including – but not limited to - industrial facilities such as crushing facilities and refineries, elevators, warehouses, seed facilities, port terminals and farming operations.

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This Policy will be updated regularly, where possible, by engagement with internal and external stakeholders. It will be actively communicated and promoted ensuring its compliance. We expect our contractors and any other third party working on our behalf to uphold the standards within this Policy.