

Welcome to our

# journey towards doing good while doing business

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#### THANK YOU

Our Company Karma Report depicts our belief in interdependency: by coming together, we grow stronger. This report has been completed by the contributions from our Company Karma stakeholders across all of THORNICO and is published by THORNICO Holding.

#### REPORT DELIMITATIONS

The following pages elaborate on the specific initiatives taken by our group companies in relation to the Company Karma Strategy in 2022. These pages will go into detail with the strategic work behind the individual and shared material topics, the implementation of ESG

(Environment, Social and Governance), KPIs and future progress.

Due to the conglomerate structure of THORNICO, we consist of many different companies all over the world. Consequently, the companies included in this detailed presentation of our sustainable initiatives represent the five business sectors in which we have most of our 100% owned companies, namely Food, Food Technology, Sport & Fashion, Shipping and Real Estate. For the companies in the remaining two sectors of Packaging and Venture (take a look at our THORNICO Group Structure for a complete overview), we refer to the companies' own websites. Brødrene Hartmann A/S publish its own sustainability report, which can be found here althoug the company is still a part of the THORNICO gender representation section in this report. To get a full insight into the extensive range of social and environmental initiatives of all our companies within the group, you can find more information by visiting the links provided at the back of this report.

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SØREN SOLKÆR,

CREDIT:

**PHOTO** 

COVER



#### **PHOTO CREDIT**

The photos used throughout the THORNICO pages in this Company Karma Peport belongs to the internationally reconised photographer, Søren Solkær. Søren has taken the pictures in Bhutan - a Buddhist kingdom in the middle of the Himalayas, while joining Christian and Thor Stadil for a part of their journey visiting Bhutan in April 2023 - a trip related to Christian's newly appointment as Honory Consul of Bhutan.

#### ABOUT SØREN SOLKÆR

**S**øren Solkær is a Danish photographer, born in 1969. He has been working with a global profile since 1996.

**S**øren is best known for his distinctive portraits of musicians. He is most recognised as the man responsible for various iconic images of Björk, The White Stripes, Paul McCartney, David Lynch, Amy Winehouse, Pharrell Williams, Adele and Patti Smith.

**S**øren's photography is characterised by finding a tension point between intimacy and edginess. His portraits are often regarded as cinematic in tone with a distinctive colour palette. The inspiration for his style as a photographer range from filmmakers David Lynch and Wong Kar-Wai to the works of photographer Philip-Lorca diCorcia and painter Caspar David Friedrich.

Søren has released seven fine art photography books: Beat City (2006), CLOSER (2011), SOULS (2011, SURFACE (2015), Portraits 1993-2018 (2018), Black Sun (2020) and Passage (2021).

They are available in selected stores worldwide and at Søren's webshop. https://sorensolkaer.com/shop Søren's works have been exhibited in New York, Copenhagen, Sydney, Melbourne, London, Los Angeles, Chicago, Vancouver, Milano, Munich, Prague and Kyoto.

H is work is featured as part of the permanent collection in The Royal Danish Library, The National Portrait Gallery and many prominent private collections.



- Jack Kerouac

#### DEAR READER

Trecently returned from a trip to The Last Shangri-La, the amazing Buddhist Kingdom in the middle of the Himalayas, Bhutan.

The reason for my trip was my recent appointment as Honorary Consul to Bhutan in Denmark, for which reason I had the honour and inspiring pleasure to meet different high-ranking officials for conversations about the way Bhutan is governed, the balances between economic growth and sustainability hereunder biodiversity and these discussions very much linked to Bhutan's alternative GDP (Gross Domestic Product); their GNP or Growth National Happiness (GNH-index) a guiding principle that influences many of their decisions also on a governmental level.

Por example, an easy way for Bhutan to grow their economy would be to cut down more forests. But as a part of their GNH, they believe that at least 60% of the country should be covered by forest to keep the immense biodiversity that Bhutan has to offer, from flora to fauna, being the home of the snow leopard, the red panda, that my kids, aged 3 to 10, are quite psyched about after having seen the movie Turning Red, to the tigers living at a higher altitude than anywhere else in the world, 46 species of rhododendron and 360 species of orchids, to name a few.

These guidelines have a positive effect that transcends the borders of Bhutan since the country has achieved carbon negative mainly because of its extensive forests. The Kingdom is able to absorb more carbon than it produces. In addition, Bhutan exports most of its renewable energy generated from fast-flowing rivers.

Quite amazing.

R elated to our business in THORNICO, although so far removed from Bhutan both geographically and in terms of us being very far from being carbon negative or neutral, the trip was very inspiring. Concretely in

terms of hopefully being able to start up THORNICO Company Karma Projects in Bhutan but also in terms of being tougher on ourselves when it comes to our guiding principles and business philosophy.

Growth often and optimally creates earnings that enable us to hire more people, and that also has the effect of us paying more taxes to the effect that we this year received a letter from the Danish Tax Minister due to us being among the biggest taxpayers in the country. Also, a way to give back and help enable positive change. But growth also comes with increased CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions and a more significant negative impact on the planet, so we could and should do more to reduce our footprint.

For this reason, we have also made sustainability and ESG (Environment, Social and Governance) a pivotal part of the group's THORNICO Southampton 2028 Plan. A plan or strategy that came to life in Southampton in October 2022, and where we, as a group, determined targets for our top and bottom line and sustainability goals towards 2028.

We want to grow the group to DKK 15 billion-plus turnover with acceptable profitability, but we also, besides turnover and EBT, have a third curve that we measure on, namely our sustainability and ESG targets or as we call it, Company Karma Targets. So hopefully, and with the effort of all our colleagues around the world, as well as our CEO's and the newly formed THORNICO CEO Board, we can, from today when I write this intro and until 2028, show some positive progress, hereunder when it comes to reducing our CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions.

We have already started on various initiatives, including going more and more into solar power, which you can read much more about in this report.

All the best, good energy and enjoy the read\*

Christian Stadil, CEO and Owner, THORNICO



#### WELCOME TO COMPANY KARMA

Welcome to our 2022 sustainability report, or as we call it; Company Karma Report.

As we move further into the 21st century, the world is facing many complex and interconnected sustainable challenges. Climate change, biodiversity loss, and social inequality are just a few crises that demand our attention and action. In our Company Karma Report, we will examine the key sustainability trends and events that have shaped the past year for us in the THORNICO conglomerate and discuss our progress towards achieving our sustainability goals.

In THORNICO, we work focused with our Company Karma Strategy and keep improving and developing it. The concept of karma is crucial for the people of today and tomorrow. The word *karma* means action, not fate, as it is often mistaken for in western cultures. Karma has nothing to do with reward or punishment. Karma is an energy. It is our intentional thoughts and actions. The energy we create now will affect us in the future it is ours to control - and this is more valid than ever, especially in a world where we are all connected, which to a very high degree has manifested itself in the past years.

We do not work and engage ourselves in being socially and environmentally conscious because we have to comply with the law and regulations; we do it because Company Karma is in our THORNICO Group's DNA. Because in business, this is the reality: Companies that manage their environmental and social performance have superior financial performance and actually create more value for their shareholders. (Source: Professor of management practice, Robert G. Eccles at Harvard Business School).

 $\Gamma$  or THORNICO, Company Karma is our way to take action in and around our companies – it is a direction

towards achieving a corporate culture and business strategy where environmental and social parameters are as essential as the financial ones.

The Company Karma Strategy is based on three pillars: Sustainale Growth, Branding & Communication and Corporate Culture. The three pillars are our holistic approach to secure that Company Karma is infused in everything we do on all levels.

Our primary purpose in Sustainable Growth is to create value-based and sustainable focused strategies – not only having top and bottom-line growth as development milestones. In 2022, we integrated ESG (Environment, Social, Governance) reporting into our strategy, reflecting our commitment to transparency and accountability progress in the THORNICO Group.

We continue matching individual and cross-company Sustainable Key Performance Indicators (KPI) and action points with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), thus creating a bigger-picture narrative.

This Company Karma Report and all the related work are essential to this pillar. We confront sustainable growth in a way that meets today's needs without compromising our future generations' opportunities to meet theirs. You can read more about our work with Company Karma on the following pages.

Enjoy the read, and best karma wishes.

Ann-Sofie Crone Soltoft,

Head of Communications, Sustainability & Karma, THORNICO Holding





Doing good while doing business

#### Sustainable Growth

#### Main Purpose:

Creating sustainable growth all over the THORNICO Group through holistic strategies. Taking a responsible role and acting on global challenges.

#### How:

Company Karma Strategy and Code of Conduct, including THORNICO policies linked to our human, globe, and economy approach. Individual as crosscompany KPIs and action points as a part of the company strategy and united front towards sustainable growth. ESG reporting and UN SDGs communicated through Company Karma Reports.

# **Branding & Communication**

#### **Main Purpose:**

Combining making a positive impact with differentiation and a unique market positioning.

#### How

Company Karma Projects relevant and related to the company's core competencies or strategic focus aiming at creating value for the company itself, employees, partners and customers as for the cause of the project.

LE NON MOI - THORNICO Prize paying tribute to people who enable us to experience le non-moi. Communicated through websites, social media and events.

# Corporate Culture

#### Main Purpose:

Creating meaning, value and identity through a strong purpose in the companies as for the individual employee.

#### How:

Communication, participation and creating synergy through a variety of channels and karma events, e.g. MyKarma Projects, THORNICO Awards, THORNICO Event, INDRA's Net and Karma Walls etc. Focus on HR and internal communication across the THORNICO Group.



#### **ABOUT THORNICO**



**IMAGINE A MULTIDIMENSIONAL SPIDER'S** WEB IN THE EARLY MORNING COVERED WITH DEW DROPS. AND EVERY DEW DROP CONTAINS THE REFLECTION OF ALL THE OTHER DEW DROPS. AND, IN EACH REFLECTED DEW DROP, THE REFLECTIONS OF ALL THE OTHER DEW DROPS IN THAT REFLECTION. AND SO AD INFINITUM. THAT IS THE BUDDHIST CONCEPTION OF THE UNIVERSE IN AN IMAGE.



- Alan Watts

hat is the philosophic conception of the universe ■ in an image called Indra's Net, used among others by Alan Watts to describe the interconnectedness and interdependency of everything and everyone. THORNICO was formed in the imagery of this spiderweb; now a global net of 130+ companies in more than 50 countries interconnected with each other and our surroundings creating something more than just the sum of the individual parts.

THORNICO is a family-owned conglomerate L consisting of a global group of companies operating in a truly diverse business portfolio comprised in seven different business sectors; Food, Food Technology, Packaging, Sport & Fashion, Shipping, Real Estate and Venture.

The strive to create synergy between our business **V** and our people. From our vast real estate business merging concrete with nature in the urban environment, our pioneering experience with natural and functional ingredients as well as the handling and processing equipment designed for this, our solid and reliable shipping services, our sustainable packaging products and machinery, our investments in innovative and cutting-edge business solutions to our creative design and manufacturing of sports and fashion apparel and footwear.

nd as our business keeps growing, we continuously Aadd new dew drops expanding our THORNICO spiderweb. In the THORNICO group of companies, we see our interconnectedness as an opportunity to draw us closer to the people we work with, to 'tear down silos' and to think more holistically. We call this our Company Karma Philosophy. As a core value in our company culture, we believe that positive actions will send positive ripples across the infinite net touching every dew drop, every company, every colleague on its way. In a cohesive world, this can act as a never-ending spiral of positive change.

T n THORNICO, we believe in ambition. But even more ■ so, we are firmly aware that you seldom achieve goals on your own regardless of your level of ambition. That is where interdependency comes in.

T nterdependency is the notion that everything is Lonnected - often in ways we did not imagine. The nature of our world is that it is a place we all share, however, it is not a place of equal privileges or resources for all. The world is increasingly becoming a smaller and more transparent place to live, and people are becoming more aware of our interconnection than ever before. Nowhere else is this globalisation more apparent than in the business world as companies increasingly need to widen their focus and act on a global scale in order to

 $\mathbf{A}^{ ext{s a growing global company, THORNICO}}$  is evidently part of this development. Remaining transparent and interrelated is a key priority for managing our many businesses all over the world. Doing business in an interconnected world also gives THORNICO a global responsibility to act from a holistic mindset in relation to the world, its population and a joint future. In THORNICO, this responsibility is incorporated under the Company Karma business philosophy. We also refer to it as 'doing good while doing business' inspired by Benjamin Franklin's famous words:



#### THORNICO BUSINESS MODEL

We are a family-owned global conglomerate consisting of 130+ companies

THORNICO – the name combination of *Thor* and *Nicholas* - took its form around the millennium, where father and son, Thor and Christian Nicholas Stadil, secured their investments in hummel®, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP as well as Lactosan and OVODAN, formerly LACTOSAN-SANOVO INGREDIENTS GROUP, kick-starting what has today become a billion-dollar conglomerate employing about 4000 people around the globe.

THORNICO's wide selection of companies has given us unique market insights and industry knowledge, which we leverage to create synergy between our businesses worldwide. Our business approach is tailored to the local market, and we engage in every activity in a respectful manner and endeavour to adapt to all cultural differences.

Our Company Karma Strategy is an essential part of our business model. It is THORNICO's greatest intention that while engaging in a multitude of businesses and industries, our strategy will enable sustainable growth in all of our companies and be an integrated part of all operations in all our businesses. It is a holistic approach to value creation where THORNICO strives for a 4 x win situation that benefits business partners, customers, employees, and an important and life-improving cause while the group companies prosper. Seeking to combine long-term strategies with the concern for key stakeholders is, thus, THORNICO's approach to creating more sustainable business practices.

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m ll}$  group companies are required to participate actively in the Company Karma Strategy.

our Company Karma Report is divided into business sectors comprising companies which are represented individually in the report, given that all THORNICO group companies conduct business separately.

To learn more about our different business sectors and companies, visit our Group Structure pages at www.thornico.com or the direct company links provided at the end of the report.

#### MATERIALITY AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Doing business in six different sectors as a conglomerate comes with many opportunities, and alongside opportunities come a large number of material topics and hereby related risks. As a holding company (THORNICO), we are highly involved in our companies' activities, but with 130+ companies across the globe, we simply cannot be involved in all aspects of our businesses as it can be a challenge to control and keep a sense of perspective, which in itself can be a potential risk. Therefore, we have created our Company Karma Strategy and guidelines, including our Code of Conduct which deals with the sustainability perspectives. The guidelines and policies are adopted by the board of directors in all companies and must be followed and acted upon on all levels.

In THORNICO, we constantly strive to improve and effect sustainable growth positively, focusing on the three areas within our Code of Conduct: Human, Globe and Economy. You can read more about the THORNICO Policies later in this report.

We have initiated a new strategic approach to understanding the material sustainability issue and related topics within the companies' respective business sectors. This approach helps the group companies, as well as THORNICO in general, to better understand how to identify opportunities, mitigate risks and influence the areas that impact the most both inside-out and outside-in. To assess the topics within the different sectors we operate in, the group companies identify the most important factors in their value chain affecting all stakeholders, their communities, and themselves, taking both human, globe and economy topics into consideration and company impact. In the assessment process, all companies will categorise materiality matrix related topics within their respective business sectors in a matrix (please see Appendix 1 for the full list of topics) divided into three classifications: relevant, significant, and material topics.

 $\mathbf{A}^{ ext{ll}}$  group companies will conduct an extensive materiality assessment every third or fourth year.



Based on that assessment, the group companies will commit themselves to new or improved sustainability Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for a three-six year period.

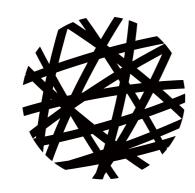
 $T^{\text{he next period will follow our THORNICO}}_{\text{Southampton Strategy Plan initiated in 2023 and follows the THORNICO Group towards 2028.}$ 

The KPIs and long-term sustainable business strategies are identified from the material topics. To demonstrate the global context of the topics and KPIs, we match and work with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) – read more about our work with the SDGs on the following pages.

The latest extensive materiality assessment and KPI determination in the THORNICO Group took place in 2019, although all companies make yearly adjustments if necessary.

 $\mathbf{A}^{ ext{ll}}$  group companies are responsible for identifying potential risks and seeking to regularly assess the risks they face in terms of bribery and corruption, environmental pollution, safe and healthy work conditions, human rights, etc. - policies referred to as Human, Globe and Economy in the THORNICO Group in their industry and business-specific environments. A risk assessment looks at both the material and significant topics regarding the company's business activities, industries, local business conditions and customs and identifies risks in those activities. If high-risk activities have been identified, the company must look for ways to minimise the risk by providing countermeasures. It will never be possible to hedge against all actions fully, but working proactively with risk assessment can help identify where and when the company and its employees should be extra observant.

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# **THORNICO**

**GROUP STRUCTURE** 





CONTROLLING INTEREST

Egg and cheese processing, trading and biotech





FOOD TECHNOLOGY

CONTROLLING INTEREST

Food processing machinery and meditech





**PACKAGING** 

CONTROLLING INTEREST

**VENTURE** 

NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST

Co-founder, seed, pre-seed and minority investor







SPORT & FASHION

CONTROLLING

INTEREST







REAL ESTATE

CONTROLLING INTEREST

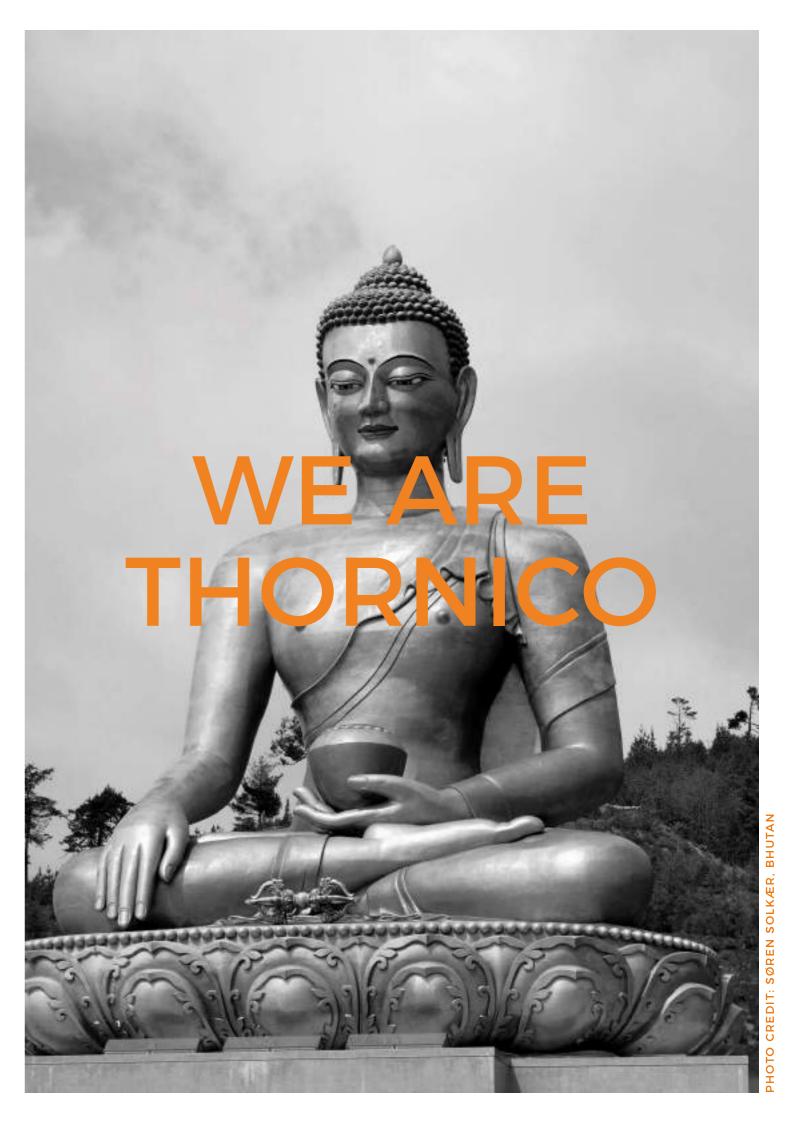
**STANICO** 

SHIPPING

CONTROLLING

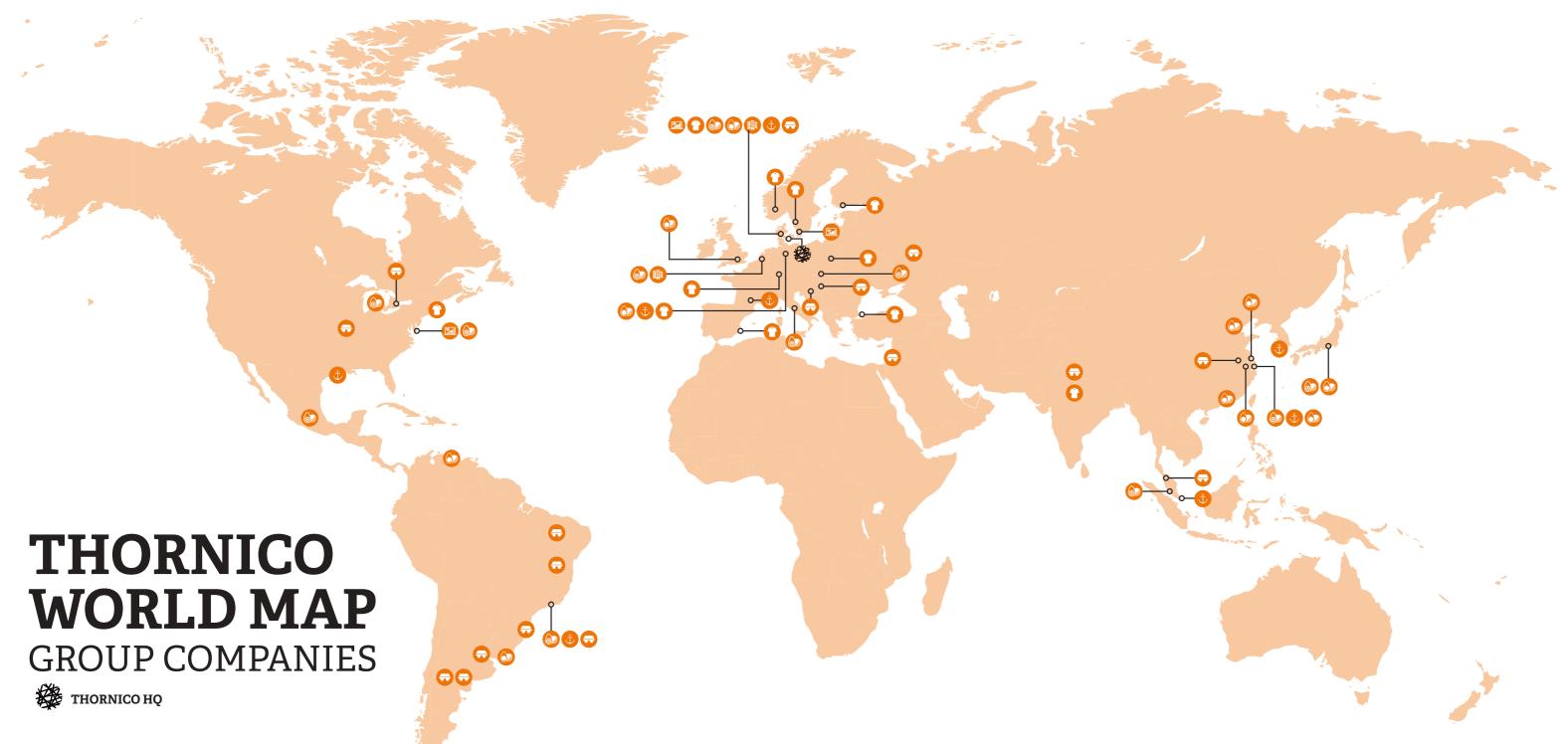
INTEREST

Ship owning



OVODAN

 $^*M\ddot{A}T$ 





#### **SPORT & FASHION**

HUMMEL, Denmark HUMMEL, Norway HUMMEL, Sweden HUMMEL, Germany (DACH) HUMMEL, France HUMMEL, Spain & Portugal HUMMEL, Turkey HUMMEL, India HUMMEL, USA



#### FOOD TECHNOLOGY

SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Denmark
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Netherlands
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Italy
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Asia
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, China
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Japan
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, USA
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, Wexico
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY, South America
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS, Denmark
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS, Denmark
SANOVO PROCESS SOLUTIONS, Denmark
RAME-HART, USA
FOODCRAFT, USA
NIKRO, Slovakia
OVOTRACK, Netherlands



#### **FOOD**

LACTOSAN, Denmark
LACTOSAN S.A., Uruguay
LACTOSAN S.A., Uruguay
LACTOSAN Ltd., United Kingdom
LACTOSAN China Ltd., China
OVODAN FOODS, Denmark
OVODAN INTERNATIONAL, Denmark
OVODAN BIOTECH, Denmark
OVODAN EGG PRODUCTS Ltd., United Kingdom
OVODAN EIPRODUKTE GmbH & Co. KG, Germany
OVODAN EGG Ltd. Nantong, China
TAIYO FOODS Co. Ltd., China
SUZHOU OVODAN FOODS Co., Ltd., China
GUANGDON OVODAN FOODS Co., Ltd. China
PRODUCTOS DANIMEX, Venezuela
MÄT FOODS, Denmark



#### **REAL ESTATE**

STANICO A/S, Denmark STANICO. Netherlands



#### **SHIPPING**

THORCO PROJECTS A/S, Denmark
THORCO PROJECTS, America Inc.
THORCO PROJECTS, Germany GmbH
THORCO PROJECTS, South Korea
THORCO PROJECTS, France
THORCO SHIPPING, Brazil
THORCO PROJECTS, China
THORCO SHIPPING Pte. Ltd., Singapore



#### **PACKAGING**

HARTMANN TECHNOLOGY, Denmark
HARTMANN, Denmark
HARTMANN, Hungary
HARTMANN, Croatia
HARTMANN, Issia
HARTMANN, Israel
HARTMANN, Canada
HARTMANN, USA
HARTMANN, Brazil
HARTMANN, Argentina
HARTMANN, India
SIANGPACK Sdn Bhd, Malaysia
SANOVO PACKAGING CHINA, China



#### **VENTURE**

ALLUNITE
TRENDSALES
WOOMIO
MIN BEDSTE BOG
BURD DELIVERY
REC WATCHES
ISTID
FREEMI
EARLABS
MYSELFIE
LIBERTINE-LIBERTINE

#### THORNICO X ESG

#### A UNITED FRONT

Compliance, responsibility, and commitment

**E** SG stands for Environment, Social, Governance, and it refers to a set of criteria used to evaluate a company's long-term sustainability and ethical practices; it can potentially drive positive change for investors and society as a whole.

In the THORNICO Group, we have initiated an approach towards working with Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and action points - putting on a united front fighting some of the world's most immediate problems. Today, the world is bringing some of these problems into focus, and if we stand together, we are a lot stronger and can achieve great things. The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) constitute an excellent example of how the world comes together in a global partnership with a multi-stakeholder approach and how small changes can make a big difference.

In THORNICO, we have previously chosen to focus on our plastic usage and on how we, as a group with a global net of 130+ companies, can contribute jointly putting up a fight against the plastic pollution problem the world is facing both in a local as well as global perspective – having a positive impact and taking action wherever possible. While this plastic KPI is no longer a part of our united front strategy, our group companies keep working on their positive contribution to fighting the plastic pollution problem.

In prior years, we concentrated on company-specific KPIs and action points, meaning that all THORNICO group companies have been working with individual targets most salient for their business and sectors. A few years back, we added a united strategy. It is important to mention that in addition to this united front, taking on a cross-company action point, each group company is still focused on their specific KPIs and where they, as a company, have the most impact.

In THORNICO, we have been committed to sustainability and responsible business practices for many years. THORNICO has recently focused on integrating ESG considerations into our sustainability strategy to document and embed our sustainability journey in the THORNICO Group.

While the group companies have worked and invested in various initiatives prioritising

environmental and social sustainability to achieve their sustainability targets for many years and have set measurable targets across their portfolio in areas such as carbon emissions, waste reduction, and social impact, the implementation of ESG reporting will enhance our compliance, responsibility and commitment.

#### ENVIRONMENT

In terms of the environment, THORNICO has, in 2021, initiated and increased a strategic focus on how we as a group can successfully contribute to the green transition by acquiring knowledge of how the THORNICO Group impacts the climate and how we can reduce our carbon footprint by tapping into the green agenda and contribute to leaving behind a liveable planet for the generations to come. Climate change is one of the most pressing issues facing our world today. It is the result of a range of human activities, including the burning of fossil fuels, deforestation, and the release of greenhouse gases. The impacts of climate change are already being felt worldwide, from more severe weather events to rising sea levels and increased wildfires.

We must act on climate change for the sake of our planet, economy, and society. The longer we wait, the harder it will be to address the problem, and the more devastating the consequences will be. By working together to reduce our group's carbon footprint and invest in sustainable solutions, we can build a better future for ourselves and future generations.

In THORNICO, across companies, we teamed up with Viegand Maagøe (https://viegandmaagoe.dk/en/) as consultants for this highly complex task to benefit from their expertise in transitioning THORNICO into a more green and sustainable company by mapping the group's carbon footprint and working with strategies to reduce our CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions.

The first step has been to conduct an extensive collection and mapping of data in all companies worldwide to create an overview and to prepare the

THORNICO ESG FIGURES

ENVIRONMENT		
GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS	Unit	
CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 1	Tons	
CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 2	Tons	
CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3	Tons	
Energy	Mvh	
(% renewable)	%	
Water	m3	
Waste	Tons	
Full time employees (FTE)	CIAL FTE #	
Working days per year	Days	
Full time sick days for year (total, untill long term sick leave )	Days	
Long term sick leaves	#	
Accidents	#	
Near by accidents	#	
Fatalities (if any)	#	
G over	RNANCE	
Female	%	
Male	%	
MANAGEMENT		
Female	%	
Male	%	
ALL EMPLOYEES		
Female	%	
Male	%	
Corporate income tax	Amount (local currency)	
Employment taxes	Amount (local currency)	
Instance of whistleblowing	#	

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climate accounts in accordance with The Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol - providing a detailed overview of scope 1, 2 and 3: The GHG Protocol supplies the world's most widely used greenhouse gas accounting standards (https://ghgprotocol.org/).

The object has been to clarify which activities to approach and to prioritise actions in the different group companies to reduce the carbon footprint of the group's activities. We will continue our work tapping into the green agenda and set out specific goals and KPIs for our carbon footprint reduction in the THORNICO Group one step at a time. You can read more about the process and climate actions in the company-specific sections.

The integration was initiated in 2022 so this year is also the baseline year for the main part of the consolidated data, which we will include in future reports.

 $\mathbf{I}$  n this annual Company Karma Report, THORNICO publish our group companies' progress towards its goals and sustainable targets. You can read about the THORNICO companies on the following pages in this report.

#### SOCIAL

In THORNICO, the social aspect of our sustainability agenda has always been a significant priority and focus area both in and around our companies. Our belief is that people represent our most precious asset.

While our ESG reporting data focuses on THORNICO group employees and their welfare regarding sick leaves and job related accidents, we also have different Company Karma Projects in our THORNICO Group with a social focus. For example, through our Heart for Africa Project, we support the project and its people through different donations. Also, hummel has many different Company Karma Projects deeply rooted in their purpose: Change the World Through Sport. hummel strongly believes that sport is a common language that unites people across nationalities, religions, cultures, genders, and politics. Diversity and equality are deeply rooted in hummel's DNA.

 $\mathbf{I}$  t is THORNICO's ambition to support projects and initiatives that, in different ways, build on different

core competencies and expertise to create a better tomorrow for everyone through Company Karma Projects.

You can read more about our projects here.

#### GOVERNANCE

In terms of governance, THORNICO has established a set of ethical principles in our Code of Conduct that guide business practices and decision-making processes. The THORNICO group company's board of directors and management team are committed to upholding these principles and ensuring that the company operates transparently and responsibly.

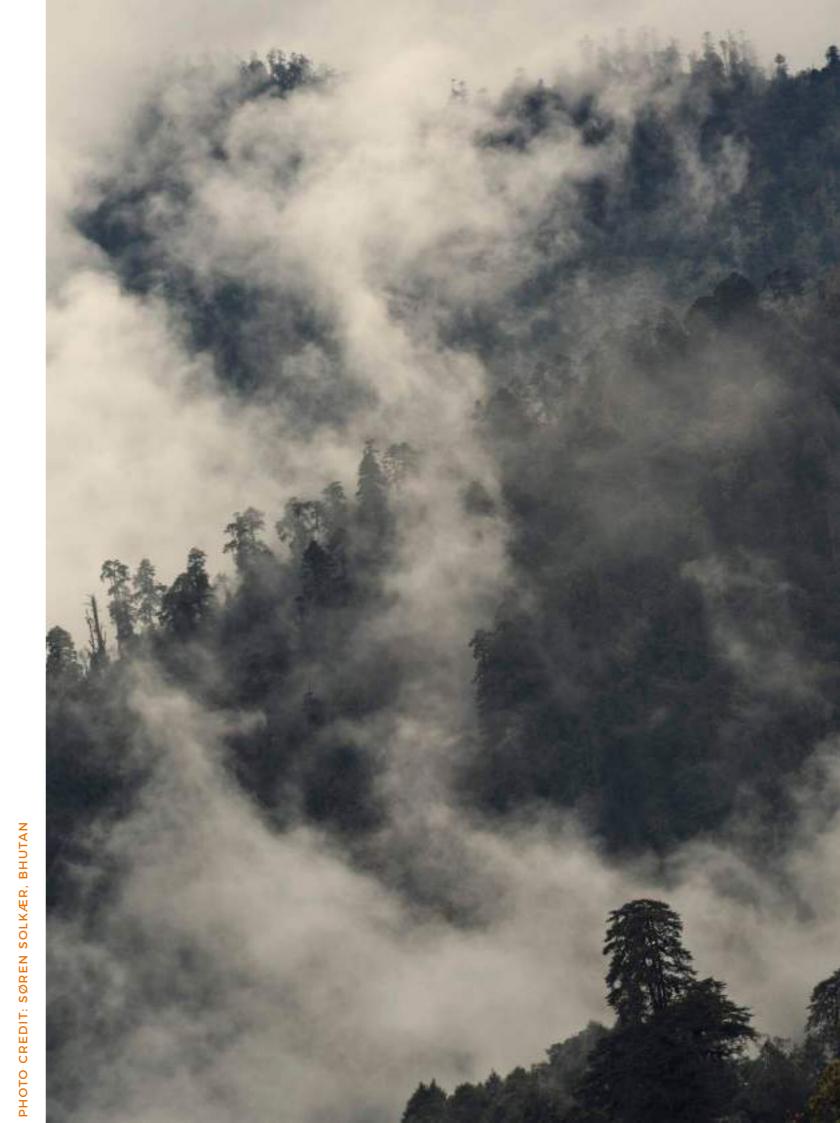
 $\mathbf{T}$  he companies also actively work on increasing the underrepresented gender at our boards and management levels.

As a global conglomerate with more than 4000 employees worldwide, THORNICO recognises the importance of contributing to the societies and countries in which it operates. One of the ways THORNICO contributes is through tax payment, both in terms of corporate and employee taxes. By doing so, THORNICO contributes to the social and economic development of the countries we operate in.

In THORNICO, we believe that operating with transparency fosters trust, accountability, and integrity, both internally and externally. In 2023, we have implemented a whistleblower system that allows our employees to make anonymous reports about actual or suspected misconduct that can affect our company or the well-being of people.

Instances of whistleblowing will be a part of our ESG reporting going forward.

In conclusion, THORNICO's integration of ESG considerations into our sustainability strategy is an important step towards responsible business practices focusing on data-driven, transparent, and accountable sustainability initiatives, highlighting our commitment to driving positive change and promoting the well-being of communities and the environment.



#### THORNICO X UN SDGs

#### We are stronger together

A part of THORNICO's Company Karma Strategy is working with the UN SDGs in all group companies. We have and will continue our great work matching our Company Karma Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) across our conglomerate with the SDGs because it helps us communicate the goals in a way that raises attention and calls to action.

With a necessary ambition of uniting governments, businesses and civil society together with the United Nations (UN), a new mission has begun: Eliminate extreme poverty, fight inequality and tackle climate change before 2030.

In THORNICO, we continuously work to develop and improve our Company Karma Strategy, hence our work with integrating the SDGs into our philosophy.

We used the SDGs to make our sustainability work much more tangible. We have initiated a process where we match our KPIs with the 17 UN Goals and work more strategically with an 'outside in' approach. We work with the SDGs as a platform to drive business development and explore new sustainable business ideas, being innovative and creative within our different business sectors and companies in the THORNICO Group.

T he SDGs have generated a widened understanding within THORNICO as to answering the big WHY creating a more tangible approach for all our employees, partners, etc.

T hus, initiatives like the SDGs emphasise the importance of businesses stepping up and into this global agenda, using local efforts such as Company Karma.

In THORNICO, we focus on ten specific goals that we, through our group companies, are particularly positioned to work with and contribute to the UN 2030 agenda on 'transforming our world'. You can read much about our work with the SDGs later in this report.



#### **OUR POLICIES**

#### THORNICO Code of Conduct

As a worldwide conglomerate, THORNICO has a global responsibility to act from a holistic mindset in relation to the world, its population and a joint future. THORNICO's responsibility is incorporated under the Company Karma Philosophy, which is a core aspect of how THORNICO intends to do business regardless of industry and market. To secure a continuous dedication and development of Company Karma, THORNICO's Code of Conduct introduces several Company Karma tools that manifest the business philosophy in all business sectors in THORNICO and our group companies.

T HORNICO seeks to establish a widespread and global commitment to responsible business practices to support the transparency and interconnectedness of our businesses worldwide.

In that respect, THORNICO has established a Code of Conduct as both an internal tool to guide all group companies and their subsidiaries in terms of the joint corporate responsibility they have to all of their internal and external stakeholders and as an external way of communicating the THORNICO Policies. A united dedication to Company Karma will increase the positive impact that THORNICO has on our surroundings while functioning as a valuable business differentiation that will be echoed in the business world at large.

THORNICO's Code of Conduct emanates from the following declarations:

- United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)
- ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up (International Labour Conference, 18 June 1998)
- Agenda 21 (UNCED Rio 1992)
- United Nations Convention against Corruption (General Assembly resolution 58/4 of 31 October 2003)

he policies and regulations are a natural part of ▲ our Company Karma Philosophy and elaborate on THORNICO's general approach to responsible business practice and identify the measures that need to be taken to uphold this responsibility, which is a core value throughout all companies. On a board level, all companies have committed themselves to comply with our Code of Conduct inclusive policies regarding human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption and General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) to prevent any breach and to make sure that the policy is implemented correctly in all THORNICO companies and is fully met by all employees, including managers and directors. The THORNICO Code of Conduct is divided into three key focus areas securing a holistic approach to the companies' responsibilities: Human, Globe and Economy.

C EOs and Heads of Business Units are responsible for incorporating and complying with the Company Karma Policies within their respective areas of responsibility.

As THORNICO is comprised of many different group companies doing business within various industries and markets, it is only natural to expect that the Company Karma Policies will be upheld in different ways. In addition to the specific courses of action specified under each policy, group companies can identify their ways to comply with the Company Karma Policies. Furthermore, the individual company is free to develop any supplementing policies, guidelines and certificates that add to or exceed the Company Karma Policies, as long as these are still maintained.

The following sections will introduce the three focus areas with their respective policies.

Human

Globe

Economy

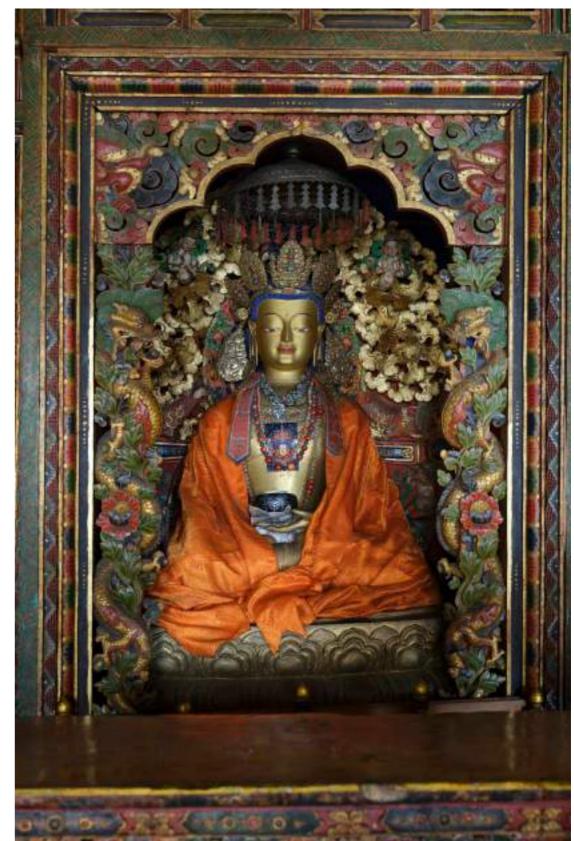


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#### Human

'Human' is THORNICO's devotion to the well-being of the people working in and around THORNICO. In THORNICO, we are committed to supporting the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights to make sure that businesses are not complicit in human rights abuse (United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948) both in respect of employees and partners, but also on a larger societal level. Furthermore, THORNICO is committed to the fundamental principles and rights of labour and workplace to uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining, elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour, effective abolition of child labour, elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation (ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up (International Labour Conference, 18 June 1998)). We work hard to establish a safe, fair and healthy work environment that motivates the people who constitute the backbone of the company.

Additionally, we have introduced all our European companies to the regulations of GDPR and other rules concerning the protection of personal data to ensure that they meet the rules accordingly. Our companies have taken part in a risk assessment and mitigation process to ensure all regulations are met. In 2021, we supplemented our existing data protection efforts with a data ethics policy, reflecting THORNICO's commitment to managing data responsibly. Please visit thornico.com to access the policy.

- THORNICO is dedicated to protecting internationally proclaimed human rights and endeavours to minimise any form of adverse impact on such rights and endeavours.
- THORNICO does not exercise or encourage any kind of forced or compulsory labour.
- THORNICO works for the abolishment of child labour of any sorts.
- THORNICO is committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment for all of its employees.
- THORNICO strives to eliminate any kind of discrimination throughout employment and working life of its employees.
- THORNICO fully recognises employees' right to collective bargaining and encourages the freedom of association.

 THORNICO is committed to complying with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) introduced in 2018 in the EU in order to protect personal data and complying with the THORNICO Data Ethics Policy.

In THORNICO, we face some significant risks in relation to our 'Human' policy and activities and noncompliance with THORNICO's Code of Conduct internally or in the value chain throughout the THORNICO subsidiaries. The main risks are political instability or ongoing conflicts in countries where we operate. In such environments, human rights abuses may be more prevalent, and workers may lack legal protections. Also, weak rule of law and lack of transparency around business practice is a risk when we are unable to trust the legal system and to trust suppliers. Unfortunately, discrimination against certain groups and inequality is widespread in many parts of the world, which is also a risk THORNICO faces.

Since 2015, we have been working with our insurance brokers and insurance company to reduce risk, including risk for our employees and the environment, in our production sites worldwide through our Loss Prevention Programme.

Through this program, we have defined high standards for all areas of our production facilities, including life safety and training, security, natural hazards and environmental risks. Our production sites worldwide are regularly audited according to these standards, and we act upon any non-satisfying results which are not in compliance with THORNICO's 'Human' Policy.

A ll THORNICO companies oversee accidents and nearby accidents and report them, if any, to THORNICO Holding through the collected ESG data for contemplation on further safety instructions.

Some THORNICO Group companies operate in high-risk countries regarding human rights and upholding these rights. Especially when operating with third-party production sites, our companies are extra careful and assess the human right risks in the operating country and migrate the risks by conducting due diligence on suppliers. For example, in the textile industry, child labour is prevalent. We use several due diligence measures to ensure that no child labour occurs, such as third part audits, and visits from the HQ and CSR team, quality control staff, and local office staff.



**F** urther out in the supply chain, in the raw material cultivation stages, it is much more complex and this is often where most violations occur, but by mapping the supply chain as comprehensively as possible in order to better locate and mitigate potential risks we are able to determine the points that constitute the highest risks.

Occupational health and safety are significant human rights risks in our supply chain when working in the textile and garment industry; consequently, our Sport & Fashion sector is a part of the International Accord in Bangladesh and Pakistan, created in the aftermath of the Rana Plaza disaster in Bangladesh.

We review and update our 'Human' Policy annually to reflect contemporary changes, such as forbidden sourcing areas, countries or new areas of human rights concerns such as forced or child labour.

 $\mathbf{S}$  everal countries and regions have specifically been excluded as operating countries due to a very high breach risk of THORNICO's 'Human' Policy.

In 2022, all THORNICO employees within the EU conducted mandatory GDPR and security awareness training to educate our employees to comply with the regulations.

In THORNICO, we continuously measure developments in gender composition on board- and management levels and work towards equal gender representation (read more about THORNICO's gender representation later in this report).

All companies in the THORNICO Group have committed to responsibly running their companies according to local and internationally approved conventions within labour, human rights and GDPR.

In the THORNICO Group, we have, to the best of our knowledge, not experienced any breaches of our 'Human' Policy.

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#### Globe

'Globe' is THORNICO's engagement in facing some of the environmental challenges that are constantly threatening the world we live in. This includes supporting a precautionary approach to environmental challenges, undertaking initiatives promoting greater environmental responsibility, and encouraging the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies (Agenda 21, UNCED, Rio 1992).

The world is constantly threatened with environmental challenges and we as a conglomerate must act. Within the principles of 'Globe', in THORNICO, we strive to minimise any negative environmental impact the company might have.

- THORNICO takes a precautionary approach to environmental challenges through environmentally sustainable business procedures and technologies.
- THORNICO is dedicated to promoting greater environmental responsibility by developing and supporting environmentally friendly initiatives.

**S** ome of the significant risks we face in relation to our 'Globe' Policy and our related activities are wastewater spillage, noise pollution, energy consumption, and greenhouse emissions. Risks are monitored locally in the THORNICO gorup companies and through THORNICO's ESG data collection.

As mentioned above, we are working with our insurance brokers and insurance company to reduce risk, including risk for our employees and the environment, in our production sites worldwide through our Loss Prevention Programme.

 $\mathbf{T}^{ ext{hrough}}$  this program, we have defined high standards for all areas of our production facilities,

including environmental risks, and our production sites worldwide are regularly audited according to these standards.

In the THORNICO Group, we prioritise using environmentally friendly materials to develop new equipment, new buildings or renovations etc. These materials are chosen for their recyclability, low environmental impact, and efficient use of energy, chemicals, and water. We optimise energy consumption in our production units, office buildings, etc., using renewable energy sources, energy-efficient technologies, and other energy-saving practices.

On third-party production sites, we have multiple supplier visits every year to eliminate the risks of air and water pollution, which often is the most significant issue in the high-risk countries in which we operate. During these types of visits, the concerns with wastewater treatment systems and the necessity to not only have a system in place but an efficient one is addressed. In most areas of our productions, it is by law required to have a water waste treatment system in place.

 $\mathbf{A}$  ll THORNCO companies have committed themselves to reducing their  $\mathrm{CO_2}$  emissions and running their companies according to local and internationally approved conventions within the environmental legislation and regulations responsibly.

In the THORNICO Group, we have, to the best of our knowledge, not experienced any breaches of our 'Globe' Policy.



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#### **Economy**

'Economy' is THORNICO's dedication to conducting our business activities sustainably, dissociating the conglomerate from any illegal, corrupt and oppressing actions that hinder or create disproportionate economic growth of society. In THORNICO, we work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery (United Nations Convention against Corruption, General Assembly resolution 58/4 of 31 October 2003).

 THORNICO is dedicated to preventing and working against any kind of illegal, corrupt or oppressive actions including extortion and bribery.

The THORNICO UK Tax Strategy in accordance with the UK Finance Act (Finance Act, 2016) can be found on thornico.com

Being a worldwide conglomerate doing business all over the world carries some significant risks in relation to our 'Economy' Policy and activities. The THORNICO group companies are located and conduct business in low- and high-risk countries regarding corruption. The main risks related to our companies activities include employee and sub-supplier violation of the THORNICO 'Economy' Policy.

To uphold our policy, we, for example, monitor if there seem to be suspicious amounts within offers to customers, and if this should be the case, we will deny taking up the order. We also check that all customer payments go to the same account as originally agreed.

R egarding audits of third parties, most are paid by the supplier and used by all its customers, and the system is not always ideal as it is a win-win for the supplier, the brand and the auditor, but not necessarily for the workers. Therefore, we aim to increase our presence at the factories and improve our risk assessments to know when to pay for a third-party audit to eliminate this risk.

All companies in the THORNICO Group have committed to running their companies according to local and internationally approved conventions, including eliminating any form of corruption. In the THORNICO Group, we have, to the best of our knowledge, not experienced any breaches of our 'Economy' policy.

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#### **EQUAL GENDER REPRESENTATION**

Report on the Gender Composition in Management cf. section 99 b of the Danish Financial Statements act.

In THORNICO, we firmly believe in equality and are committed to creating equal gender representation in all group companies worldwide: focusing first and foremost on a board member level as well as higher managerial levels to secure commitment to gender equality from the very top of the companies.

hummel® continues to be a part of several projects around the world working on strengthening women's rights and generally reducing inequality through sport. For example, hummel® supports the organisation Football for a New Tomorrow (FANT) who works to improve gender equality and opportunities for women to participate in sports in Sierra Leone. A few years back, hummel® took part in establishing FANT's little sister, Handball for a New Destiny (HAND), which focuses on actively including women in the sport.

H AND introduces girls to handball when hosting big sporting events, teaches girls about the rules of the game, gives out handball equipment, and establishes handball clubs where the girls meet regularly and are informally educated in democratic principles and human rights.

In January 2023, HAND, hummel® and IHF continued for the fourth IHF World Championship in a row, their 'Player of the Match' award initiative at the 2023 IHF Men's World Championship. The "Player of the Match" award was made on behalf of the players to the FANT initiative and its projects in Sierra Leone.

 $\mathbf{I}^{\text{n}}$  the world of business and as a family-owned conglomerate, in which father and son, Thor Stadil

and Christian Stadil, are a part of almost every board, it is inevitable to see an innate overweight of male board members at nearly every board in THORNICO. This is due to Christian's and Thor's ongoing commitment and dedication to THORNICO and not an expression of intended gender bias. The Policy of Equal Gender Representation entails the following requirements for all THORNICO companies:

- A requirement to select and present qualified representatives of gender equality in relation to internal and external recruitment.
- A requirement to ensure a transparent recruitment process with clear information about an explanation of the qualification demands.
- Continuous talent and management development with a specific focus on promoting an equal gender distribution in all management groups.
- A commitment to a yearly assessment of the gender distribution in management in all business areas as well as targeting specific percentages of gender distribution and following up on these prioritised areas.

We aim at reaching a balanced composition of gender in the THORNICO workforce on a long-term perspective. We continue to employ and promote a diverse group of people to strengthen the decision-making process and the innovation of new products and marketing. We will always employ the person we evaluate as the most suitable and capable match for the position.



In 2022, we continued our communication approach, focusing on where we need to ensure and improve diversity in our organisation. On a group level, we will continue to focus on communicating diversity and emphasise the good examples, cases and role models we have in our group companies as sources of inspiration and motivation. At the same time, we continue our data collection of gender distribution at managerial levels and above in all group companies. In 2022, we collected gender representation data on all levels of the companies. The share of female managers within these groups is 28%.

Additionally, in 2022, we also collected statements from all group companies. These insights guide our initiatives and help us track our efforts and policy commitment.

The policy enacted by the THORNICO Board of Directors to increase the number of the underrepresented gender at the company's board levels as well as higher managerial levels applies internationally to all THORNICO group companies and subsidiaries. We monitor gender distribution through our ESG reporting and annual screenings of the gender composition in different parts of the group to identify areas where a significant underrepresentation of gender exists.



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THORNICO GROUP COMPANIES AND SUBSIDIARIES.



## GENDER REPRESENTATION IN THORNICO BOARDS

§ 99 b.\*

THORNICO A/S / THORNICO Holding A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the board consists of one woman and two men. Consequently, gender representation is considered equal.

hummel A/S / hummel Holding A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the boards of the companies consist of one woman and three men. Consequently, gender representation is considered equal.

THORNICO Food & Food Technology Group A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report for 2022, the board consists of three men. It is the company's target to have a minimum of one female member by no later than 2026. As a subsidiary of THORNICO, THORNICO Food & Food Technology Group A/S is a close part of an owner-led business and as a consequence, the owners (who happen to be male) are closely involved in the business including in the board.

Brødrene Hartmann A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the board consists of one women and three men (shareholder-elected members only). Consequently, gender representation is considered equal.

Lactosan A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the board consists of three men. Gender representation remains unchanged from 2021. It is the company's target to have a minimum of one female board member by no later than 2024.

As a subsidiary of THORNICO, Lactosan A/S is a close part of an owner-led business and as a consequence, the owners (who happen to be male) are closely involved in the business including in the board.

SANOVO TECHNOLOGY A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the board consists of three men. Gender representation remains unchanged from 2021. It is the company's target to have a minimum of one female board member by no later than 2026.

As a subsidiary of THORNICO, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY A/S is a close part of an owner-led business and as a consequence, the owners (who happen to be male) are closely involved in the business including in the board.

THORCO PROJECTS A/S: On the date of the Company Karma Report of 2022, the board of the company consists of one woman and two men. Consequently, gender representation is considered equal.

\* THORNICO companies covered by legislation.



# FOOD TECHNOLOGY

WITH AN EXTENSIVE PRODUCT RANGE, OUR FOOD TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES OFFER OUR CUSTOMERS INNOVATIVE, FLEXIBLE AND EFFICIENT SYSTEMS. WE ARE THE WORLD LEADING SPECIALIST WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURE OF HIGH-STANDARD EGG HANDLING AND PROCESSING EQUIPMENT. CONSTANTLY MONITORING INDUSTRY TRENDS, WE HAVE ALSO EXPANDED OUR PRODUCT PORTFOLIO WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF SPRAY DRYING OF OTHER PROTEIN APPLICATIONS, ROBOTS, EQUIPMENT FOR HATCHERIES AND ENZYMES. WE ARE COMMITTED TO KEEP DEVELOPING THE MOST ADVANCED AND EFFICIENT SOLUTIONS TO MEET THE FUTURE CUSTOMER DEMANDS FOR HIGH QUALITY, CAPACITY AND BIOSECURITY.





# ABOUT SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP

#### INTRODUCTION

This report aims to provide a balanced overview of SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's overall CO<sub>2</sub> reduction goals, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions according to the Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GHGP) Scopes 1, 2 and 3, Karma and workplace initiatives. All SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's focus areas are related to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It has been decided not to commit to Science Based Targets initiative until SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has a more extensive database. But its targets going forward will follow the requirements of 42% reductions in Scopes 1 and 2 by 2030.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP refers to the year 2021 as the baseline for all goals and the year where it has initiated mapping the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents and measurements regarding the GHG-Protocol. In 2021, it did not include all companies in SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP, but decided to start mapping them as well going forward. In 2022, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has worked to collect and register data for CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculations for all companies in the group to get an even more precise idea of what lies within Scopes 1, 2 and 3. There is still room for improvement in the data

collection, but overall, the picture gives a fair general picture of the  $\mathrm{CO_2}$  emissions and where efforts and improvements can be made to improve and reduce the overall  $\mathrm{CO_2}$  emissions. Due to the difference in the data basis from 2021 to 2022, it is difficult for SANONVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP to compare its emissions and improvements in the report.

#### TOTAL CO, EMISSIONS:

The 2022 mapping has been conducted in collaboration with the external consultancy Viegand Maagøe. The objective has been to bring clarification of which activities to approach and prioritise actions to reduce the carbon footprint.

The investigations have unveiled that the main part of the emissions lies within Scope 3 with tons of  $\mathrm{CO_2}e$  equalling 132,903 (98.5%). This is mainly due to sold products and purchased goods. The direct emissions (Scope 1) accounted for 1,680 (1.2%) tons of  $\mathrm{CO_2}e$  and the indirect emissions from supplied energy (Scope 2) was 284 (0.2%) tons of  $\mathrm{CO_2}e$ . Total tons of  $\mathrm{CO_2}e$  in 2022 amounted to 134,866.

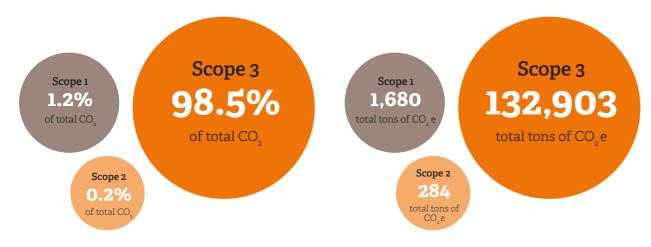
DISTRIBUTION OF CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS IN 2022



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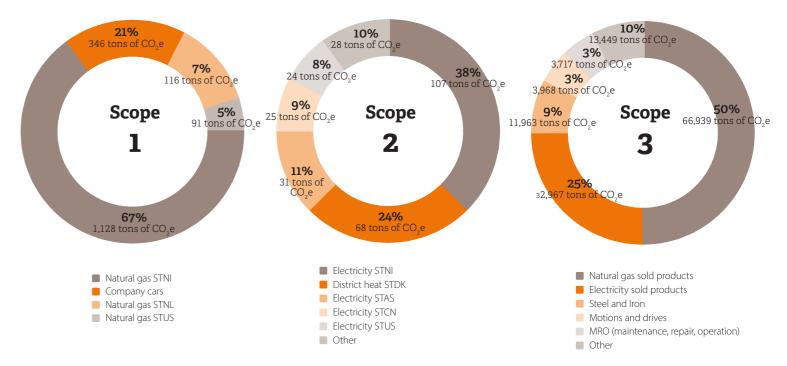
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COMPANY KARMA

#### CO, EMISSIONS ARE DIVIDED INTO SCOPES 1, 2, 3:



#### CO, EMISSIONS ARE DIVIDED INTO CATEGORIES AND SCOPES 1, 2, 3:

2022	Scop	pe 1	Scop	e 2	Scop	e 3
	Ton CO <sub>2</sub> e	%	Ton CO <sub>2</sub> e	%	Ton CO₂e	%
Waste and recycling	-	-	-	-	35	0.00%
Energy and processes	1,335	79.50%	284	100%	212	0.20%
Procurement	-	-	-	-	26,951	20.30%
Products sold	-	-	-	-	101,225	76.20%
Transport	345	20.50%	-	-	4,481	3.40%
Total	1,680	100%	284	100%	132,903	100%

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#### METHODS USED IN THE REPORT

- The CO<sub>2</sub> footprint has been calculated using the Danish EPA's CO<sub>2</sub> calculation tool built around GHGP.
- Emission factors on energy came from Energinet, AIB and EEA and procurement from Exiobase.
- Sensitivity analysis on some commodity groups has been done in Exiobase and Ecoinvent.
- For calculations on electricity and district heating, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has used 2021 factors as 2022 factors were not available.
- Scope 2 has been calculated with both location and market-based emission factors on electricity. For countries outside the EU, the same factors have been used as no sources exist on this. Note that DK and IT have been counted as green power using the market-based method. In the report, SANOVO TECHONOLOGY GROUP has only stated the emissions with the market-based calculation.
- Scope 3 from downstream utility consumption has been calculated from a weighted emission factor over the expected lifetime of the products. The factor has been based on a list of where SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's products have been sold to.
- Within Scope 3, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP employees commuting (600 employees) has been calculated by an average (minutes and km per employee/day).
- On average, 50% of Europeans commuted by car (https://ftp.iza.org/dp12916.pdf).
- Danes commuted 22 km on average (https://www. statistikbanken.dk/10306).
- The average commute time was 25 minutes (https:// ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/products-eurostat-news/-/ ddn-20201021-2)
- All emissions from transportation were calculated on a Well-To-Wheel (WTW) basis.

#### COMPANY DESCRIPTION

S ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is the world-leading specialist in developing and manufacturing high-standard egg handling and processing equipment as well as securing energy and environmentally-friendly machines and equipment solutions. Constantly monitoring industry trends, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY

GROUP has also expanded its product portfolio within hatchery, spray drying, robotics, enzymes, poultry, traceability, biosecurity and food safety.

Through the past years, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has had great success in the egg industry. Eggs are a healthy and a high-protein food resource for humans and animals with a low environmental footprint and low production costs compared to other food products. Eggs are at the top of products containing the highest number of proteins and with a low carbon print.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is committed to keep developing the most advanced and efficient machines and equipment to meet future customer demands for high quality, capacity, biosecurity, energy consumption, environmentally friendly and safe solutions.

#### WHAT KIND OF OPERATION IS SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP?

A ll equipment is being assembled and produced in state-of-the-art production units in Denmark, The Netherlands, Italy, Slovakia and with subsuppliers. A major part of the components for the assembly is being manufactured by its own production in Slovakia and by subsuppliers which, therefore, play an important role when SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP looks at its overall CO<sub>2</sub> footprint and other Company Karma-related topics. In its production and assembly units, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP focuses on its overall energy consumption and how it can be optimised to become even greener.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's activities are within production, assembly, service, sales, R&D development and project management. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's environmental footprint is impacted by stainless steel, plastic, electronics, enzymes, shipping of goods in and out of its locations, waste, business travel by airplane and company cars. All these factors have an impact on its CO2 footprint related to Scopes 1, 2 and 3.

#### ORGANISATION:

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is a technical, innovative, production, supply chain and project knowledge-based company with more than 600 skilled employees located all over the world. Its organisation is structured with sales and service entities and more than 50 distributors. The composition of employees is 38% blue collar and 62% white collar workers.

 $S_{
m company}$  ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is the parent company of the following legal entities:

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY A/S, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY NETHERLANDS, USA, ITALY, CHINA, JAPAN, ASIA, SOUTH AMERICA and MEXICO, SANOVO PROCESS SOLUTIONS, RAME-HART, NIKRO (SANOVO LOGISTICS), SANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS, FOOD CRAFT INC, OVOTRACK.

#### QUALITY

Sanovo Technology Group production units comply with ISO 9001:2015 Standards with regular auditing. One of the many benefits of the ISO certification is that it keeps Sanovo Technology Group focused on quality as whole and constant improvements and helps streamline processes making it proactive in daily operations. Providing quality products and services that meet its customers' requirements, Sanovo Technology Group constantly strives to improve all aspects of its fields and activities.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP complies with all legal regulations and declarations for food contact materials (FCM), CE marking, ATEX and USDA (learn more: https://www.sanovogroup.com/quality/ and https://www.sanovogroup.com/media/2440/appendix-

i-supplier-requirements-food-contact-materials-2022vol-12.pdf)

#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S MISSION

The world population is increasing and will continue to do so over the next decades – which means an increasing demand for high-protein food. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP aims to be the world's leading developer and supplier of technological solutions that ensure affordable proteins for the growing world population.

#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S VISION

S ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP strives to be the number one global supplier of complete systems in the industry of machinery, equipment and products to the egg-processing world.

**F** urthermore, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP also strives to be one of the main global suppliers within hatchery and vaccine technologies and to be a preferred supplier within the box-dryer technology within eggs, but also in other product areas outside the egg business (e.g. other protein applications).



#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S BUSINESS AREAS

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR HANDLING AND PROCESSING OF EGGS



ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP supplies everything from the smallest packing, grading and breaking machine to the largest turnkey factory handling liquid and powder egg products with full robotic automation.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR HANDLING AND PROCESSING FERTILISED EGGS



T o help hatcheries cost-effectively improve flock health and increase poultry production, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP provides advanced systems for collecting and packing fertilised eggs and in-ovo vaccination systems.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR ROBOTIC AUTOMATION



**S** ANOVO TECHNOLOGY ROBOTICS handles all SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's robotic automation programs and offers several efficient and flexible robots that are a vital part of any modern egg handling and processing factory.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR SPRAY DRYING AND PASTEURISATION



S ANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS handles all projects concerning spray drying and heat treatment of other industrial applications than eggs, like e.g., animal by-products, blood, plasma, haemoglobin, yeast, fruits, plant protein, novel, dairy and fungus.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR EGG-CULTURED VACCINE PRODUCTION



 ${f R}^{
m AME ext{-}HART}$  supplies machines used by biological vaccine manufacturers around the world to produce egg-cultured vaccines for human or veterinary applications.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR BIOSECURITY



**S**ANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS handles all projects concerning reducing micro-organisms. The SonoSteam nozzles are driven by steam and ultrasound and disinfected in seconds without any use of chemistry. The technology works on food and non-food.

#### TECHNOLOGIES FOR TRACEABILITY



VOTRACK keeps track of the eggs with barcode technology and traceability labelling, stock control and complete egg-to-chick traceability from producer to end user.

#### **COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION**

 $\boldsymbol{F}$  or SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP, Company Karma covers everything from its employees showing social responsibility by volunteering to coach the local football team to its company project providing free equipment for a hen farm in Eswatini and reducing its overall  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  footprint.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP believes that initiatives need to be embedded in its key business to make it credible. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP tries, where possible, to create quadruple-winning situations where it, together with companies, customers and partners, engages in a cause that it believes and finds important.

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP wants to make a meaningful impact in the communities in which it works, and it engages in several activities to give back to those who are less privileged. It aims to offer a rewarding, meaningful and safe workplace for all its employees – no matter where in the world they are located. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP strives to push its employees and partners towards sustainable thinking including its values and Code of Conduct (CoC). SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP selects partners with the same purpose.'

**S**ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's approach is underpinned by its core values, open communication with its stakeholders, a materiality review, a code of conduct and the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

#### REPORT SCOPE

This Company Karma rapport covers the year 2022 focusing on the following companies:

- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY A/S (STDK)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY NETHERLANDS (STNL)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY ITALY (STIT)

- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY PROCESS (STPR).
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY USA (STUS)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY MEXICO (STMX)
- •SANOVO TECHNOLOGY SOUTH AMERICA (STSA)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY ASIA (STAI)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY CHINA (STCN)
- SANOVO TECHNOLOGY JAPAN (STJP)
- NIKRO (STNI)

#### REPORTING PRINCIPLES

The topics included in this report were selected and prioritised by SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's top management and the Company Karma Team\*. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP considers its most important stakeholders for sustainability to be its customers, its suppliers, its employees, regulatory authorities, local communities and stakeholders in a wider context.

\*The Company Karma Team consists of:

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#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Material Karma Topics

**S** ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's materiality review draws upon analysing key areas within the business environment it operates in by highlighting and categorising Company Karma topics.

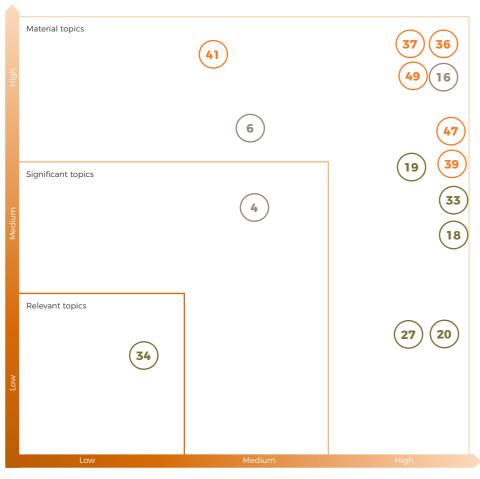
Please also see Appendix 1 for the materiality matrix.

**DECISIONS** 

STAKEHOLDER ASSESSMENT AND

INFLUENCE ON

#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX



#### 6. Contributing to improved nutrition/ health improvement 16 Human & labor rights Globe Energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> contribution (scope 1, 2, 3) 19. Water consumption 20. Consumption of raw material 27. Solid waste and sorting 33. Transport within the value chain 34. Reutilisation of machinery and materials Economy (and ethics) 36. Food safety 37. Product tracking 39. Responsible supply management 41. Animal welfare 47. Contributing to better utilisation of resources through innovation 49. Quality management

**MATERIALITY-RELATED TOPICS** 

4. Respect for privacy / handling of data

**COMPANY IMPACT** 

#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S FOCUS AREAS

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has strategically identified three focus areas to work with when implementing Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) related activities through its organisation. All are related to the UN SDGs and GHGP.

#### SOURCING & DEVELOPING - SCOPE 3

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is dedicated to upholding its social responsibility by working closely with suppliers and stakeholders. Its goal is to ensure that all suppliers of goods and services adhere to its code of conduct. In its pursuit of sustainability, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP prioritises the use of environmentally friendly materials in the development of new equipment. These materials are chosen for their recyclability, low impact on the environment and efficient use of energy, chemicals and water. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP aims to minimise its carbon footprint as well as reduce its carbon footprint on the environment.

#### **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - SCOPE 1, 2 AND 3**

Sanovo Technology Group is dedicated to sustainability in all aspects of its operations, from energy consumption and waste management to materials and logistics. It prioritises the use of recyclable and degradable materials, optimises energy consumption and manages waste in an environmentally friendly manner. Sanovo Technology Group optimises energy consumption in its production units, including the use of renewable energy sources, energy efficient technologies and other energy saving practices. All with efforts to reduce the overall CO<sub>2</sub> footprint.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

S ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP wants to create an inclusive workplace that is rewarding, safe, physically and psychologically healthy, motivating for its employees and in balance with the wider context of their lives.

























#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
for the Reporting Period 2022









TARGETS KPI ACTIONS RESULTS

100% signed CSRs and Code	All suppliers with a spend	Supplier management is an	100%
of Conducts (CoC) from	of> EUR 100,000.	integral part of SANOVO	
suppliers within Scope 3		TECHNOLOGY GROUP's	In 2022, SANOVO
		quality management system	TECHNOLOGY GROUP had
		and is a measurable KPI.	95 suppliers within Scope 3.
		Supplier CoC, responsible	
		sourcing program, and	
		corporate culture and	
		ethics dictate supplier due	
		diligence and define the	
		CSR requirements it sets for	
		suppliers and partners.	
100%: ATEX zone, 20	Biyearly supplier audits for	On-site audit/tour to	100%
suppliers to have a visit	all suppliers delivering parts	secure those suppliers are	
	to be used in ATEX zone 20.	compliant with SANOVO	In 2022, SANOVO
		TECHNOLOGY GROUP's CSR	TECHNOLOGY GROUP had 2
	(Zone 20: A place in which	and CoC.	suppliers within Scope 3.
	an explosive atmosphere		
	in the form of a cloud of		
	combustible dust in the air is		
	present continuously or for		
	long periods or frequently		
	for short periods.)		
	m		
All top ten suppliers to have	Top ten supplier visits		100%
a visit in 2022	according to 2022 spending.		



Get an overview of SANOVO	Weight on steel items from	While steel parts make	Scope 3 – Procurement
TECHNOLOGY GROUP's CO <sub>2</sub>	top suppliers, representing	up a significant portion	
emissions related to the	50% of spend within the	of the goods it purchases,	Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted
steel segment	segment.	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	to 26,951.
		GROUP do not limit its	
		focus to just them. SANOVO	Purchased goods by weight:
		TECHNOLOGY GROUP	Steel and iron: 11,863
		has decided to encompass	<ul><li>Motors and drives: 3,968</li><li>MRO (Maintenance, repair</li></ul>
		the entire scope of its	and operations): 3,717
		purchased goods in its Scope	Electronics: 2,039     Plastic: 397
		3 calculations.	1 lastic. 357
		Since weight data were not	Purchased goods by value:
		available for all procurement	• Paper and cardboard: 76
		categories, an extrapolation	• Wood: 195
		was made based on the	• Rest: 22,255
		available data. In short,	
		this means that if 50% of	
		the items within a category	
		amounted to 100 kg, the	
		full purchased amount was	
		assumed to be 200 kg.	
Automatic calculation and	Automatic weight on all steel	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	The Solid Works part has
transfer of item weight from	items.	GROUP has allocated	been fully implemented. The
Solid Works to Navision	recino.	resources in R&D to set up	full integration into Navision
(steel parts only)		the functionalities in Solid	is planned to be done at the
		Works.	end of Q1 2023.
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY			
	Reduce CO footprint on	Current CO emissions are	Scope 3 – Transport of goods
GROUP aims to work	Reduce CO <sub>2</sub> footprint on transportation.	Current CO <sub>2</sub> emissions are based on monetary values	Scope 3 – Transport of goods
GROUP aims to work	-	based on monetary values and not tonne-kilometres	
	-	based on monetary values	Scope 3 – Transport of goods  Calculated by monetary  value:
GROUP aims to work exclusively with freight	-	based on monetary values and not tonne-kilometres	Calculated by monetary
GROUP aims to work exclusively with freight forwarders with a clear and	-	based on monetary values and not tonne-kilometres	Calculated by monetary value:
GROUP aims to work exclusively with freight forwarders with a clear and	-	based on monetary values and not tonne-kilometres (tkm).	Calculated by monetary value: Road, sea and air
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GROUP aims to work exclusively with freight forwarders with a clear and	-	based on monetary values and not tonne-kilometres (tkm).  Upstream transportation was based on monetary	Calculated by monetary value: Road, sea and air Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted
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In the engineering and	Reduce CO <sub>2</sub> footprint on	Downstream electricity	Scope 3 – Products sold
development of new	machines.	consumption is calculated	
equipment, SANOVO		from a weighted emission	Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted
TECHNOLOGY GROUP		factor on electricity over	to 101,225.
uses materials that can		the expected lifetime of the	
be recycled, have a low		products. The factor is based	The main part comes from
environmental impact and		on a list of where SANOVO	spray dryers (66%):
consume as little energy,		TECHNOLOGY GROUP's	
chemicals and water as		products have been sold in	• Natural gas: 66,939
possible		2022.	• Electricity: 32,967

COMPANY KARMA





**TARGETS** 





**RESULTS** 

#### **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT - SCOPE 1, 2 AND 3**

**ACTIONS** 

recommendations and

actions.

KPI

SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	Reduce the CO <sub>2</sub> footprint by	STNL: Installed heat pumps	Scope 1 – Energy and
GROUP's energy	5-15% by 2024.	in the new building.	processes, natural gas
consumption in production			
units must come from a		STIT: Focused on creating	Total tons of CO2e amounted
green energy source to		more natural daylight in	to 1,335.
reduce its CO <sub>2</sub> footprint		production and offices. All	STNI: 1,128
		lights installed are LED and	STNL: 116
To have calculated		dimmable type. Furthermore,	STUS: 91
emissions in all production		the heating in the office area	
units by the end of 2022		is generated by electricity	Scope 2 - Energy and
		using heating pumps.	processes, electricity and
			district heating
		SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	
		GROUP conducted a Climate	Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted to 284.
		Strategy with Viegand	
		Maagøe. Outcome:	STDK and STIT count with zero due to certificates.
		A calculation of direct and	• Electricity consumption is
		indirect carbon footprint	mainly from STNI (38%).
		<ul> <li>A CO<sub>2</sub> footprint reduction plan with concrete</li> </ul>	Scope 3 - Energy and processes, grid losses and

burn of natural gas

to 212.

Total tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e amounted

SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	Reduce the CO <sub>2</sub> footprint on	All companies report	Scope 1 - Transport, company
GROUP encourages	transportation and travel.	monthly on driven km	cars
purchased or leased cars in		divided into types of cars.	
all units to be either hybrid		Please also see Appendix	Total tons of CO,e amounted
or electrical		2 for an overview of the	to 345.
		complete car fleet.	Cars, gasoline: 187
Reduce business travel and		-	Cars, diesel: 86
physical meetings		In STDK, SANOVO	Cars, hybrid: 17
		TECHNOLOGY GROUP	
		has installed 22 electrical	Transporters, diesel: 56
		chargers.	Transporters, aresen 50
			Scope 1 - Transport,
		All companies report the	employee travel (air)
		number of international	employee traver (air)
		flights and distance in km.	Total tons of CO,e amounted
		2229200 0220 02000000 221 22220	to 796.
		SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	10 790.
		GROUP has included	Scope 3 – Transport,
		employees commuting to	employees commuting to
		work. Please find the method	work
		in the introduction.	WOIK
		in the introduction.	Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted
			to 288.
Sorting of waste into;	90% of the total waste must	STDK: All waste will be 100%	Scope 3 – Waste and
paper, food, wood, plastic,	be sorted.	sorted from 2023 due to new	recycling:
cardboard and other waste		regulations in Denmark.	
			Total tons of CO <sub>2</sub> e amounted
		STSA: Since the beginning	to 35.
		of 2022, SANOVO	
		TECHNOLOGY GROUP	Please also see Appendix
		has implemented a digital	3 Sorting for an overview
		signature on all documents.	of sorting and Appendix 4
		This will reduce the use of	Waste and Recycling for an
		paper in the office.	overview of kg per item.
		STCN: Started to use	
		E-Invoice, which will reduce	
		the amount of paper used	
		and courier transportation.	
		STUS: Started sorting and	
		STUS: Started sorting and recycling plastic, paper.	
		STUS: Started sorting and recycling plastic, paper, cardboard and wood.	

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COMPANY KARMA





**KPI** 

• turnover rate of employees



**RESULTS** 



**TARGETS** 



#### **EMPLOYEES**

**ACTIONS** 

IARGEIS	KPI	ACTIONS	RESULIS
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	Zero cases of major work	Regular safety inspection rounds	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY
GROUP continues to offer	injuries at all production	in the productions.	GROUP measures work
a safe and healthy work	sites.		injuries with the following
environment		Regular meetings to follow	split on days of absence:
	(A major case is a work	up on work injuries to avoid	Less than one day
	injury with permanent harm.	future recurrences. The	Between one to ten days
	SANOVO TECHONOLOGY	meetings resulted in new safety	More than ten days
	GROUP does not have any	procedures.	
	numbers shown in the KPIs,		STDK:
	but an indication could be	Due to the reconstruction of the	• Less than one day: two
	cases with an absence of	buildings in STNL, all actions	Between one to ten days:
	more than ten days*).	have been related to this.	three
			STNL:
			<ul><li>Less than one day: one</li><li>More than ten days: three</li></ul>
			(*non with permanent harm)
			,
			STNI:
			Between one to ten days: one
			_
			STPR:
			• Less than one day: two
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Maintain a low level of	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP	Please also see Appendix 5 -
sickness absence and	GROUP wants to have	conducts follow-up interviews	Sickness, Turnover Rate and Seniority for results.
employee turnover, keep	satisfied employees and	with each employee to make	Seniority for results.
a high level of seniority	encourage work-life balance.	sure they are guided to the best	
average, and measure	CANOVO TROUNOLOGY	support and treatment. This	
employee satisfaction	SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	includes external advisers.	
	GROUP measures the		
	satisfaction of employees based on several elements:		
	sickness absence		
	<ul> <li>seniority average</li> </ul>		

seniority, management level, educational level, professional area and professional experience). Keep a high level of Sustainability in the future To ensure the best STDK: involvement with different job market and be known quality and education for One intern in R&D for four employee types and as an attractive workplace young people, SANOVO months - foreign student. educational directions that can attract new skilled TECHNOLOGY GROUP works employees. with educational institutions One trial job for external person with long-term and relevant professional sickness business associations. It One PhD student from (the educates apprentices and University of Southern trainees and uses interns and Denmark (SDU) students to a wide extent. STNL: SANOVO TECHNOLOGY Eight apprentices GROUP works with local One trainee • Four Learn & Workauthorities to help people Employees that are temporarily unemployed, have special STIT: needs, etc. to ensure their continued connection to the One student assistant in job market. finance One student assistant in sales Please also see Appendix 6 for the complete overview.

**THORNICO** 

COMPANY KARMA

Continuously focus on having

competencies for present and

the right and sufficient

future work tasks.

The master data in SANOVO

TECHNOLOGY GROUP'S HR

system was extended with

data on competencies on an

overall level.

A 360 degrees competence

overview of all employees,

which can be shown after

different search criteria in

Power BI (country, business

unit, department, age, gender,

Annual evaluation of the

in the group according to

its strategy and expected

See appendix 7 for all KPI-related initiatives

development

organisation and skills

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#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

**TARGET** 

KPI

#### PLANNED ACTIONS (2023)

Scope 1 – Energy and processes	Keep the 2022 level of eCO <sub>2</sub> t with a	It should be identified how natural
	growth rate of 10% by 2030.	gas is used (process vs. space heating
Reduce the natural gas consumption		and what types of processes). Often
at STNI and STNL		both process and space heating may
		be electrified. This will distribute
		CO₂ emissions in Scope 2 (rather
		than Scope 1) which will have a
		positive effect in a country like
		Slovakia with a lot of green power.
		SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP will
		look into the possibility of installing
		heat pumps in STNI, STIT and STNL.
		<ul> <li>Installation of heat pump,</li> </ul>
		either air-to-water or geothermal.
		Primarily for space heating,
		but could also be used for low-
		temperature processes.
		<ul> <li>Possibility of connection to</li> </ul>
		district heating?
		district heating:
Scope 1 – Transport	Transform the car fleet from fossil	Review company car policy in all
	to green energy source by end of	companies to ensure targets are met
Company cars	2025.	in 2025.
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP	Stay at the 2022 level of ton CO <sub>2</sub> e	
encourages purchased or leased cars	equalling 288.	
in all production units to be from a		
green energy source.		
Employee travelling		
SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP		
aims to reduce business travel and		
physical meetings.		



Scope 2 – Energy and processes  Electricity consumption in operations must come from a green energy source.	In STDK, STNL, STIT and STNI, electrical consumption must come from renewable energy sources like solar energy by the end of 2024.	STDK and STIT are looking into installing solar panels. They aim to stop purchasing regular certificates
		STNI is looking into whether it can install additional solar panels.
Scope 3 – Sold products  SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP prioritises the use of environmentally friendly materials in the development of new equipment. These materials are chosen for their recyclability, low impact on the environment and efficient use of energy, chemicals and water.	Reduce CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from the spray dryers over a 3-year period.	R&D is looking into possible change to the spray dryer.  Downstream energy consumption of products sold takes up the majority of SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's total emissions. Even if the product is out of its hands, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP must focus on bringing CO <sub>2</sub> emissions down.
Scope 3 – Transport of goods  SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP aims to work exclusively with freight forwarders with a clear and ambitious green profile.	The goal is to receive all transport-related data in tonne-kilometres and split it into road, sea and air in 2023.	Improve data quality from freight forwarders.
Scope 3 - Procurement  SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP aims to work exclusively with suppliers with a clear and ambitious green profile.		Primarily procurement accounts for a large share of SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP's total CO <sub>2</sub> emissions and therefore, more efforts and resources should be targeted to reduce the overall CO <sub>2</sub> footprint.  Conduct a hotspot analysis of its largest suppliers (who account for the largest total emissions). Focus on having one supplier in each commodity:  Steel Plastics Electronics Motions and Drives
		SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP will continue focusing on and conducting audits and have signed CoCs and CSRs. Going forward this is a natural part of its group procurement teams.

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PHOTO CREDIT: SOLAR PANELS, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY NETHERLANDS
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PANELS,
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Scope 3 – Waste and recycle	90% of SANOVO TECHNOLOGY	In STDK, 100% sorting of waste will
	GROUP's waste must be sorted by	be finalised in Q1 2023.
Reduce the amount of residual waste	2024.	
in the group.		This will affect the amount of waste
		for recycling and lower the amount
		of residual waste.
		It will look into how the STDK setup
		can be introduced in all entities
		to reach SANOVO TECHNOLOGY
		GROUP's targets and KPIs.
Continued work on improving		RAME-HART will be included in the
Continued work on improving		KAME-HAKI WIII be Iliciuded III tile
the data basis for calculating CO <sub>2</sub>		report from 2023.
emissions		
		All entities must report data each
		month. Finance follows more closely.
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COMPANY KARMA



#### SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Company Karma Project

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has, over time, been active in different humanitarian interventions, known as Company Karma Projects. This has given rise to several successful Company Karma Projects; some have grown into wide-scale initiatives through years of dedication while others are still taking form as they develop. Common for them all is that they have become great inspirational sources for SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP, its employees and customers.

It means a lot to SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP that the way it approaches Company Karma and CSR in general makes sense to its employees as well. That is why SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP also encourages activities that generate a strengthened sense of community and shared value.

# WE SPREAD GOOD KARMA WITH EGGS

Heart for Africa Project Canaan Egg Farm in Eswatini

PROJECT CANAAN / HEART FOR AFRICA DONATION 2022:

ANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP is proud of being part of Project Canaan/Heart for Africa in Eswatini and the tremendous work they are doing for the local community and children. SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP has therefore decided to continue its support to the project - this year with USD 10,000.

 $\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{or}\,\mathrm{this}\,\mathrm{amount},\,\mathrm{Project}\,\mathrm{Canaan/Heart}\,\mathrm{for}\,\mathrm{Africa}\,\mathrm{can}}$  continue:

- the employment of the people who deliver the hardboiled eggs to the 30 schools and churches with whom they are partners.
- feeding the hens on the farm as the feed prices have increased a lot.
- $\bullet\,$  using the solar panels on the roof of the house where

the cooking and cooling machines from SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP are placed. Two of the solar panels need repair as they were ruined during extreme weather.

See video and post on LinkedIn by means of the QR-code:



See Appendix 8 for all other karma initiatives in 2022.







As pioneers in this field of business and with more than 60 years of experience, we supply natural, functional ingredients based on cheese and egg through our food companies. Our skilled application teams assist food manufacturers globally in meeting tomorrow's market and consumer demands for innovative, natural, authentic and great tasting food products. Whether you are looking to develop new product concepts or seeking international inspiration, we have the products, technologies and knowhow to help you bring great tasting products to market.

# FOOD





### ABOUT LACTOSAN

The main activities of Lactosan Group are to develop, produce and sell cheese powder solutions to the global food and beverage industries. Founded in 1942, Lactosan's market position today builds on its wide portfolio of high-quality products, strong technology know-how and extensive experience and research dating back to 1952.

The basis for Lactosan Group's activities is natural cheeses that are dried to convenient and functional standard cheese powders as well as customised cheese powder solutions. It is part of Lactosan Group's business model to monitor trends to always be at the forefront and to dedicate resources into providing value added, innovative solutions and know-how to help the food and beverage industries meet the ever-changing market demands. This is done in close collaboration with the food industry and research partners, which are Danish and European top league universities. Lactosan Group sees many possibilities for future growth arising from these types of collaboration.

Lactosan Group also dedicates resources into sustainability. However, for Lactosan Group, sustainability has a wider scope: It wants to take care of its environment, but also to care for the people that it impacts (local communities, its customers, its employees, its owners and other stakeholders). Furthermore, it wants to be aware of the ethics and obligations Lactosan Group has in being a food producer. Lactosan Group takes all necessary precautions to ensure the highest

standards of quality management, control and assurance from the sourcing of the raw materials, in ensuring food safety and full traceability to committing itself to think in sustainable solutions wherever possible.

Lactosan Group's organisation is structured with approx. 250 employees worldwide, own sales and service entities and more than 50 distributors placed strategically around the world.

#### LACTOSAN GROUP MANUFACTURING SITES

- Lactosan A/S, Denmark (HQ)
- Lactosan Uruguay S.A., Uruguay

#### LACTOSAN GROUP SALES OFFICES

- Lactosan A/S, Denmark
- Lactosan (UK) Ltd., United Kingdom
- Lactosan China Ltd., Wujiang and Shanghai, China
- Lactosan-Sanovo Japan Ltd., Japan
- Lactosan Uruguay S.A., Uruguay

The governance and overview of all operations and activities in Lactosan Group is placed in the management groups of the individual companies and aligned on a regular basis with the headquarters.

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#### **LACTOSAN BUSINESS MODEL**

#### Resources

Expertise



Lactosan Group continually enhances its expertise within raw cheeses, cheese powder production and solutions to meet consumer trends and the changing market demands.

**Core Business** 

Employees and Distributors



Lactosan Group depends on its more than 250 skilled and experienced employees as well as its strong network of distributors worldwide to manufacture, develop, sell and market its cheese powder solutions.

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Science and Technology



Lactosan Group relies on more than 70 years of know-how and expertise withir the industry, its world class facilities and state-of-the-art technology and quality control and cerfications to deliver high quality, consistent and safe cheese powder solutions

#### Value Creation

#### Customer

Lactosan Group's cheese powders are unique by nature - a great alternative to replace less wholesome additives.

Lactosan Group's broad portfolio of standard and customised high quality cheese powders based on natural cheese, offers safe and clean label solutions to the food industry

#### Environment

Lactosan Group offers a resource efficient supply chain. It is reducing its waste and recycles whereever possible to contribute to better utilisation of resources through innovation, optimisation and clean energy solutions.

#### Emplovees

Lactosan Group create jobs in its local communities and provides its employees with attractive working conditions.

#### Shareholder

Lactosan Group's investments science, technology, production facilities and employees have throughout the many years in business generated robust returns for its shareholders.

#### **Customers** Food and Beverage Industry

Based on its know-how and high quality cheese powder solutions, Lactosan Group helps companies in the food and beverage industry merconsumer demands for great tasting products, better functionalities of products, cleaner labelling and convenience.



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#### COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION

The responsibility of the Company Karma work is ■ placed at the HQ Lactosan A/S in Denmark with the management group. All areas are covered at the management group meetings that take place each week. Also, Company Karma topics are discussed regularly in terms of identifying key focus areas, risks and solutions. The management group initiates and handles procedures, code of conduct and other policies for the company as well as it involves the sister companies. The board of Lactosan A/S is the highest instance of Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) related matters which is part of the agenda at board meetings which take place min. three times per year.

The responsibility of the Company Karma work ▲ at Lactosan Uruguay S.A., Uruguay is placed in the management group. At the periodic management meetings, all issues related to the operation in Uruguay are discussed, including discussions about the Karma Company initiatives. The initiatives, projects and objectives are shared with the rest of the teams and twice a year, dissemination activities are carried out with the entire organisation. Furthermore, the activities are aligned with the headquarters in Denmark.

actosan Group has decided to align the Company La Karma goals with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations.

THE KEY FOCUS AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR LACTOSAN GROUP ARE ENVIRONMENT, PEOPLE AND ETHICS

actosan Group commits itself to contribute to a La sustainable approach towards its environment in terms of:

- · Reducing fossil fuel energy through clean energy solutions (SDG #7)
- Contributing to better utilisation of resources through innovation (SDG #9)
- Contributing to responsible consumption and production (SDG #12)
- Complying with the UN Paris Agreement on Climate Change (Paris, 2015)

actosan Group commits itself to having a positive impact on the people in its environment in terms of:

- · Health and safety for all employees including a positive and rewarding work environment with open communication and collaboration (SDG #3)
- Offering traineeships to students from various educations (SDG #4)
- Keeping a balanced gender representation (SDG #5)
- Supporting the local community

T actosan Group commits itself to contributing to ethics in terms of:

- Securing the highest level of quality management including food safety and product traceability which Lactosan Group believes naturally belongs in a responsible production (SDG #12)
- · Supporting equal opportunities and decent work for all (SDG #8)

















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#### **LACTOSAN**

#### Material Karma Topics

actosan Group's production activities span Europe Land South America. It has been decided to focus the materiality approach and assessment on the manufacturing sites where Lactosan Group primarily focuses on reducing its environmental impact to ensure the greatest possible effect of its sustainability efforts.

T n addition, Lactosan Group operates its business (both ▲ manufacturing sites and sales offices) in adherence with European and international regulations within the fields of food production and handling, labour rights and human rights.

To assess the sustainability factors within the L business environment in which Lactosan Group

operates, a materiality analysis has been made to identify the most relevant environmental, social and economic elements within its value chain. The analysis also helps to identify issues to be covered in its reporting and supports decisions on where to focus internal resources which have also been identified as the key focus areas for the Group.

he materiality analysis is based on inputs from ▲ internal stakeholders with relevant functions including the CEO, Plant Management, Financial and HR management and Sales/Marketing to identify, ensure and prioritise the issues that they believe have the biggest impact on the economy, society and the environment and that they identify to matter most to its stakeholders.



INFLUENCE ON STAKEHOLDER ASSESSMENT AND DECISIONS

The topics were selected and prioritised by the Lactosan management group. Its intention is to evaluate the materiality matrix on a regular basis and use external consultants for guidance.

## INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL FACTORS

When identifying the most material aspects arising from its operations, Lactosan Group takes account of internal and external factors. These

include the issues identified in its overall vision and mission, vision on sustainability, long-term strategy and the code of business conduct, which governs group behaviours and activities. Lactosan Group reviews and adjusts these material aspects and processes against external developments such as emerging regulation, environmental standards and approaches to various certifications.

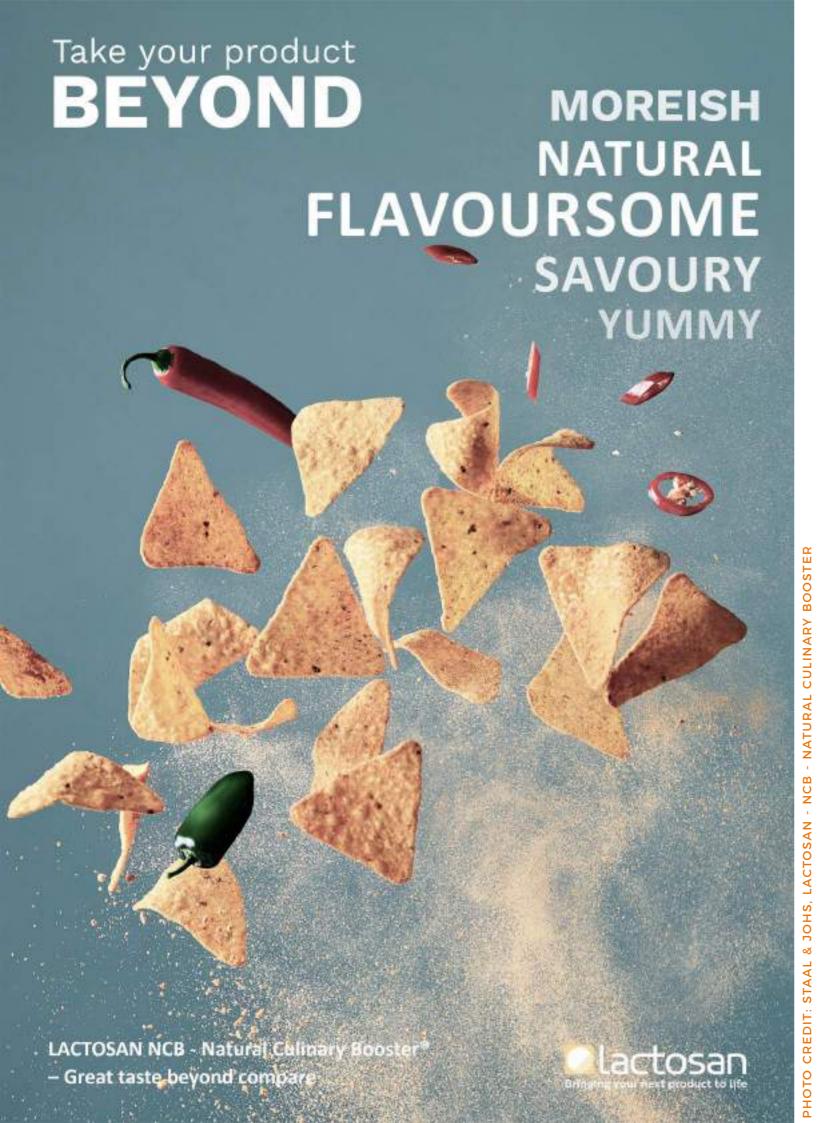
## LACTOSAN'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX



## COMPANY IMPACT

## **MATERIALITY MATRIX - TOPICS** 6. Contributing to improved nutrition/health improvement 7. Training and continuing education 8. Impact on local community 11. Non-discrimination and diversity14. Safe and healthy working environment Globe 18. Energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> contribution (scope 1, 2, 3) 19. Water consumption20. Consumption of raw material 22. Packaging 27. Solid waste and sorting 29. Wastewater - quantity and quality Economy (and ethics) 36. Food safety 37. Product tracking 39. Responsible supply management 47. Contributing to better utilasation of resource through innovation 49. Quality management





## **LACTOSAN**

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Reporting Period 2022

TARGETS KPI ACTIONS RESULTS

Responsible consumption and production - UN SDG #12	Reduce the use of plastic.	Monitor the use of plastic and find alternative solutions wherever possible.  Recycling agreements with local authorities.	Recycling agreements are in place and awaiting new regulations in 2023.  The factory in Denmark:  Reduction of grammes of plastic/kg produced:  2022: 4% reduction (compared to 2021).
	Follow the recommendations from the UN Paris Agreement.	At the plant in Denmark, a project to reduce emissions of all gasses, aromas, etc. has been initiated.	Compared to 2021, the energy consumption in 2022 was reduced by:  • Electricity: 0.4%  • Gas: 4.8%
	Protect regional water sources and reduce emissions across the whole value chain.	In 2020, Lactosan A/S invested in an expansion of its wastewater facilities at the plant in Denmark to reach a greater cleaning capacity and improve the cleaning process by reducing the use of chemicals.  The investment also secures the rising demands with regards to capacity in its own production and compliance with the future rules and regulations in this field.	During 2022, Lactosan A/S in Denmark implemented new measuring equipment to make the cleaning of its wastewater more efficient and as sustainable as possible by using less electricity and less chemistry.  With 2022 as the baseline year, improvements will be monitored.

Affordable and clean energy - UN SDG #7	Reduce the consumption of energy in its production and increase the share of renewable energy mix in the production.	Solar panels were installed at the factory in Uruguay in 2018 in cooperation with the government in Uruguay.  During 2022, the producing plants in Denmark and Uruguay continued to work on energy efficiency in cooperation with energy suppliers.	The site in Uruguay consumed 1131 MWh of electricity in 2022 of which 74 were generated by solar panels.  Re. Scope 2  Scope 2 in Uruguay will almost be reduced to zero by 2028 due to the energy mix in the electricity grid in Uruguay Re. Scopes 1 and 2  Due to a larger biogas share in the Danish grid gas and more green electricity in the Danish electricity grid, the emissions in both Scopes 1 and 2 are expected to decrease towards 2030.
Quality education - UN SDG #4	Display social responsibility by assisting in educating the next generation.	The factory in Denmark works together with several educational institutes such as business academies, technical schools and universities to enrol students, trainees or apprentices for a longer or shorter period of time to work with various tasks and projects related to food.	<ul> <li>In 2022, Lactosan A/S had:</li> <li>Three bachelor students from the University of Copenhagen</li> <li>Two master students from the University of Copenhagen and Aarhus University, Denmark</li> <li>One PhD student from the Technical University of Denmark (DTU).</li> </ul>
Gender equality - UN SDG #5	Keep an equal balance of gender.	Monitor the balance on a yearly basis.	In Denmark: For all workers there is almost a 50/50 balance with 55.7% men and 44.3% women.  In Uruguay: For all workers there is almost a 50/50 balance with 52.1% men and 47.9% women.  In the UK: 25% men and 75% women.  In China: 57.1% men and 42.9% women.  In Japan: 25% men and 75% women.

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Responsible consumption and	Food safety - no recalls.	Lactosan Group will monitor	In 2022, there were no recalls.
production - UN SDG #12		that it lives up to all the	
		rules and regulations both	
		internally and externally to	
		have no recalls.	
	100% product traceability.	Lactosan Group wants	In 2022, systems have been
		to secure 100% product	monitored and also audited at
		traceability. It will monitor	internal and external audits.
		the quality management	Staff received obligatory
		systems and make sure staff is	training in January.
		trained and educated.	



The work of identifying material topics and the responsibility to minimise its environmental impact, streamline processes and formalise the tracking and measurement of sustainability initiatives is an on-going journey to improve efficiency in processing Lactosan Group's food products. Lactosan Group always strives to comply with the rules and regulations within its field of the industry and Lactosan Group teams up with its suppliers and partners to solve matters both within material topics and topics of significance.

## RISK EVALUATION AND DUE DILIGENCE MEASURES

#### **DUE DILIGENCE MEASURES**

Lactosan Group continuously evaluates its activities, products and services in terms of actual environmental impacts and potential environmental impacts. In the course of its operations, it seeks to identify opportunities to reduce consumption of energy, water and other natural resources. Lactosan Group strives to re-use and recycle wherever possible and dispose of non-recyclable items responsibly, thereby minimising its impact on the environment.

 $B^{\mbox{\footnotesize elow}}$  are examples of Lactosan Group's actions to reduce and handle the environmental impact in its daily practices:

#### In Denmark:

- Lactosan works together with partners who have environmental approvals to handle goods from its factory for recycling, i.e. chemicals and waste products.
- Lactosan works to optimise the production to zero waste by:
- Reducing its food waste (cheese side-stream according to the European Dairy Association (EDA) guidelines for industrial cheese)
- Recycling cheese powder waste to animal feed.
- Delivering the food waste from its production to biofuel energy production instead of sending it to incineration.
- Lactosan is a process water wastewater supplier:
- Wastewater from the production is semi-cleaned

- and delivered to the local wastewater treatment plant.
- Sewage sludge from semi-cleaning is recycled as an agricultural fertilizer.
- To minimise waste from its production, Lactosan recycles and sorts various types of cardboard, paper and plastic (foils, bags, pallets, containers, etc.).
- All wood and plastic pallets are recycled and only a smaller part (3-5%) is burnt at the local recycle plant.
   Big bags are recycled. Lactosan has invested in plastic boxes which it uses for its cheese supplies: Lactosan receives cheese supplies in the boxes, sends them back again in return for new cheese supplies. This is a win-win for both Lactosan and its suppliers.
- Lactosan recycles waste oil from its production; hydraulic oil is filtered and recycled.
- All glass, aluminium cans and metal is sorted and recycled
- Lactosan's product labels for finished goods are FCScertified (mix credit) pulp and EU Ecolabel certified.
- Lactosan's printer paper is FCS and EU Ecolabel certified.
- Lactosan intends to choose sustainable/eco-friendly/ Fairtrade materials wherever possible.

## In Uruguay:

- Lactosan constantly works on energy efficiency. Since December 2016, Lactosan has been certified according to ISO 50001 international standards to ensure energy efficiency in its operation.
- Lactosan is committed to sustainable production, the reduction and management of waste generated and the circular economy.
- Lactosan works with its suppliers to make it possible to purchase most chemicals, cleaning products and supplies in returnable plastic containers. With this action, Lactosan has significantly reduced the generation of plastic waste in its processes.
- Lactosan continues to work in circular economy.
   Specifically, it continues to generate synergy with local potato growers, to give new use to disposable pallets that are a waste for Lactosan.

## SUPPLY CHAIN, FOOD SAFETY AND CERTIFICATIONS

Lactosan Group is part of a complex supply chain and the sourcing of the right materials, the food safety and certifications are critical to its business. The safety of food is one of the key factors in the food industry. Both consumers and health authorities demand that the food we consume offer high levels of quality.

E ach production facility within Lactosan Group is subject to international as well as national rules and regulations on food safety and certifications, and furthermore, to the demands from customers.

#### RISKS

The main risks related to Lactosan Group's supply chain management are primarily the quality and lack of cheese in the general marketplace and secondly price fluctuations.

The main risks related to food safety and certifications are changes of legislation and local regulations that vary from country to country as well as travel and meeting restrictions as seen during COVID-19.

#### DUE DILIGENCE MEASURES | SUPPLY CHAIN

Lactosan Group puts great effort into securing reliable supplies through carefully selecting suppliers and establishing robust procedures to reduce purchasing risks and to the best of its knowledge to secure the best possible prices under any market circumstances.

A t Lactosan A/S, senior management has frequent critical evaluations of all suppliers and work closely together with them to secure the quality of the raw materials supplied as well as other materials needed for its production. As part of its quality system, suppliers fill out a questionnaire on a regular basis. Lactosan A/S visits suppliers on a regular basis. All suppliers must be

prepared to be audited and inspected by Lactosan A/S at any time to secure that goods and management of the factory is in accordance with its own policies as listed above

In cases where a supplier is considered not to be in accordance with the code of conduct, further cooperation will be stopped or put on hold until matters have been solved.

## FOOD SAFETY AND CERTIFICATIONS

Through intensive quality management and continuous documentation and training programmes, Lactosan Group makes sure that the business lives up to the high standards and certifications in the food industry that are required by its customers. Lactosan Group is audited on a regular basis by the authorities, third parties and customers.

ertifications are available by means of Lactosan Group's quality departments. For further information on safety and certifications, please also contact the individual quality departments.

actosan Denmark holds the SEDEX SMETA Certification.

#### GMO LABELLING

No products produced by Lactosan Group derive from genetically modified raw materials nor do they contain any GMOs. Consequently, products are not subject to GMO labelling according to EC Regulation 1829/2003 and EC Regulation 1830/2003.

It is the policy of Lactosan Group only to produce products not subject to GMO labelling according to EU legislation. This policy is actively secured by selecting non-GMO raw materials. Please contact Lactosan Group's quality departments to seethe GMO certificate.

## **LACTOSAN**

Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

# TARGETS KPI PLANNED ACTIONS (2023)

Good Health and well-being - UN	No fatal accidents.	Lactosan Group will monitor that it
SDG #3		lives up to all the rules and regulations
		incl. training of the staff to maintain no
		fatal accidents.
Responsible consumption and production - UN SDG #12	Food safety - no recalls.	Lactosan Group will monitor that it
production - ON 3DG #12		lives up to all the rules and regulations
		both internally and externally to have
		no recalls.
	100% product traceability.	Lactosan Group wants to secure 100%
		product traceability. It will monitor the
		quality management systems and make
		sure staff is trained and educated.
	Reduce CO <sub>2</sub> emissions by complying	Lactosan Group will comply with the
	with the recommendations from the	guidelines in this field.
	UN Paris Agreement.	
		Re. Scope 1
		Lactosan Group is taking precautions
		to change its energy from fossil fuels to
		clean energy solutions.
		When investing in future equipment,
		Lactosan Group will monitor the
		technological development within the
		industry and chose environmentally
		friendly solutions and technologies.
		Suppliers offering environmentally
		friendly solutions will be preferred.
		Re. Scope 3
		Sourcing responsibly: Lactosan Group
		will always monitor and optimise
		the sourcing and purchasing of raw
		materials and other ingredients
		in a responsible manner to reduce
		the Scope 3 emissions into its value
		chain. In Denmark, Lactosan A/S will
		reduce Scope 3 by 30% by 2030. This
		is of course highly dependent on the
		availability of such supplies.
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Affordable and clean energy - UN SDG	Look into the possibility of using solar	Contact authorities and local
#7	cells in the future at its Danish plant.	government to learn about possibilities
		of setting up solar cells and/or
	*Look into replacing gas with	cooperating with other companies.
	electricity.	
		Re. Scope 2
		Lactosan A/S works on electrifying
		processes in the production to reduce
		gas consumption and thus to reduce
		total CO <sub>2</sub> emission. The project depends
		to a high degree on the availability
		of energy supplies from the local
		suppliers which will also be looked
		into.
Quality education - UN SDG #4	Display the social responsibility	At the Danish plant, it continues
	by assisting in educating the next	to work together with educational
	generation.	institutes to enrol students, trainees
		or apprentices for a longer or shorter
		period to work with various tasks and
		projects related to food.
Gender equality - UN SDG #5	Maintain a good balance of male	Lactosan Group will keep monitoring
	and female employees in Lactosan	the balance.
	companies.	
Decent work - UN SDG #8	When possible, employ people with	Lactosan Denmark is a Code of Care
	physical, social or other disabilities.	Ambassador. In 2023, it will employ one
		person and keep monitoring the tasks
		in the company to see if Code of Care
		employment is possible in future.

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Lactosan Group recognises and performs the obligations it has towards its stakeholders, i.e. its employees, owners, customers, suppliers, the local community and others. Lactosan Group believes its reputation, together with the trust and confidence of its stakeholders, to be one of its most valuable assets.

2 o22 was a busy year for Lactosan Group as it navigated through turbulent raw material and energy markets in a post COVID-19 arena.

At the same time, the HQ made efforts towards the green agenda. Lactosan Group has evaluated its materiality matrix in terms of the material issues that are believed to be critical to stakeholders and its own business.

 $\mathbf{B}_{\mathrm{paramount}}$  that its products do not compromise the health and safety of its customers and end-consumers. Therefore, Lactosan Group continuously puts huge efforts into securing the highest standards of quality

control, food safety and product traceability.

At the HQ in Denmark, a commitment towards CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions has been made with the aim to limit the global temperature rise to 1.5 °C by 2030 in compliance with the Paris Agreement. Lactosan Group will work closely together with partners and experts within this field to find ways to reduce particularly Scope 1 emissions by 50% in 2030. The Scope 3 CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction targets (30%) is highly dependent on parties particularly in the raw material market and will be monitored to find the best solutions how to minimise emissions in its value chain.

The people of Lactosan Group are the foundation of its success and therefore, their safety and health at work is paramount. Hence, Lactosan will maintain its focus on occupational health and safety with the continuous target of maintaining zero work-related fatal accidents at all times.

## **LACTOSAN**

## Company Karma Projects & Initiatives

## **EMPLOYEE KARMA COMMITMENT**

Lactosan Group believes that the Company Karma work and how to be more sustainable is a team effort. The internal initiative to engage employees at all levels was kicked-off in Denmark in 2019 with a workshop. The purpose was to get input and raise awareness on how it as a company and the employees as individuals can think more sustainably. Today, Lactosan Group works according to the input from the workshop and continually investigates areas for improvements based on input from employees. Lactosan Group has defined areas in which to work more sustainably as laid forth in this report.

## WORK ENVIRONMENT

Lactosan in Denmark has ongoing workshops to work with teamwork at all levels of the company and ambassadors among employees have been trained to facilitate teamwork workshops and to take care of all matters related to the wellbeing of the employees.

## HQ SPONSORSHIPS

In 2022, Lactosan in Denmark supported:

- Red Cross Youth Club: https://www.urk.dk/
- The Foundation for Muscular Disease: https://muskelsvindfonden.dk/hvad-er-muskelsvind/
- Danske Hospitalsklovne (Danish Hospital Clowns): https://danskehospitalsklovne.dk/
- McDonald Børnehus (Ronald McDonald House): https://rmbornefond.dk/husene/ronald-mcdonald-hus-odense/det-kommende-hus-i-odense/

## DAIRY WITHOUT BORDERS - NEW COMPANY KARMA PROJECT

In 2023, Lactosan Group will enter into a sponsorship with the Danish NGO Dairy without Borders, which focuses on establishing and supporting minor local projects within the milk and dairy sector in selected developing countries.

The projects focus on:

- Transferring skills, knowledge and/or training in the milk and dairy sector.
- Creating economically and environmentally sustainable projects that contribute to lift small local communities to a higher level in terms of use, processing, storage and possible sales of their dairy products.
- Supporting an organisational approach to the projects with the aim of securing knowledge sharing and long-term management inspired by the Danish cooperative tradition.
- Involving women in the projects is a prevalent focus where relevant.

The projects do not have any commercial character.

## AMBASSADORS 2022

Lactosan A/S is a Code of Care ambassador: https://codeofcare.dk/

## URUGUAY SPONSORSHIPS 2022

In Uruguay, an initiative was made to donate old and useless computers to an institution which focuses on educational robotics and uses this type of material to teach kids and teenagers.



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## ABOUT OVODAN EGG GROUP

VODAN EGG GROUP provides egg ingredients solutions for use predominantly in the food and food service industry. Solutions include various types of liquid egg products, egg powdered products and precooked products, which are provided to clients all over the world.

E ggs are included as an ingredient due to its nutritional values and functionalities such as texture, stability, colour and taste. For decades, OVODAN EGG GROUP has achieved extensive knowhow about how to process and optimise its egg products to meet the customerspecific requirements. Due to this, the OVODAN EGG GROUP quality control has become a cornerstone in its business. The prioritised safety of its products has allowed OVODAN EGG GROUP to provide egg products for highly demanding customers in the sectors of bakery and confectionary, convenience meals, fine food, meat, fish and substitutes, food preservation and health care.

In a world with increased awareness of food loss and food waste, OVODAN EGG GROUP also feels obligated to support customers in the change from liquid egg solutions to egg powder products. OVODAN EGG GROUP egg powder provides a convenient solution for the food manufacturing where optimisation of processing and minimisation of waste is fundamental. Additionally, OVODAN EGG GROUP activities also include extraction of the Lysozyme protein from eggs; a natural food additive that prolongs shelf life due to its powerful antimicrobial properties.

The explorative parts of OVODAN EGG GROUP are continuously developing. For instance, by utilising egg yolk to develop antibodies for use in diagnostics, the GROUP has entered the biotech industry. Also, by means of other projects, the company is focusing to minimise waste by better usage of egg shells and egg membranes for use in non-food applications.

OVODAN EGG GROUP consists of the following companies:

- OVODAN FOODS A/S (Denmark)
- OVODAN EIPRODUKTE GmbH & CO. KG (Germany)
- Productos Danimex (Venezuela)
- OVODAN BIOTECH A/S (Denmark)
- SUZHOU OVODAN FOODS CO. LTD. (China)
- GUANGDONG OVODAN FOODS CO. LTD. (China)
- TAIYO FOOD (Tianjin) CO. LTD. (China)
- NANTONG OVODAN EGG CO. LTD. (China)

## COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION

OVODAN EGG GROUP has decided to align the company's social responsibility within the 17 goals of the UN. Reflecting its commitment to environmental stewardship, OVODAN EGG GROUP has initiated activities to reduce its environmental impacts and streamline processes and aims to develop the tracking and measurement of sustainability initiatives.

The company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) committee represents all manufacturing sites of OVODAN EGG GROUP including plant management, QA, warehouse, sales, finance and communications.

Regional teams gather on a regular basis to evaluate running activities and discuss possible new initiatives. Ahead of the annual reporting, the CSR strategy is evaluated and aligned within the chosen UN goals and targets. Each manager is responsible for his/her area in terms of identifying key focus areas, risks and solutions and bringing them to the meetings.

OVODAN EGG GROUP CORE BUSINESS:



## OVODAN EGG GROUP

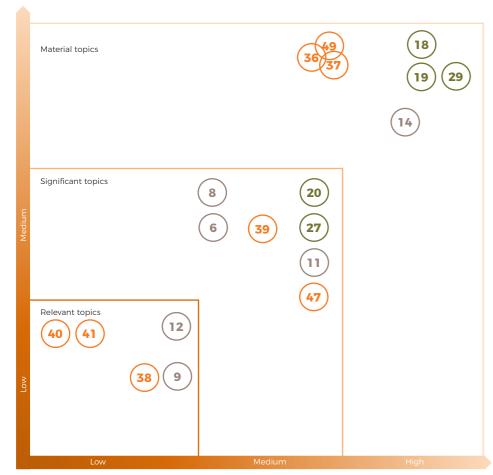
Material Karma Topics

To assess the sustainability factors within the business environment in which OVODAN EGG GROUP operates, it identifies the most relevant environmental and social elements within its value chain and considers the impact OVODAN EGG GROUP has on them, or they have on it. Such impacts can be financial as well as social and environmental and can affect all its stakeholders, including its communities as well as itself through regulations, and its environment. OVODAN EGG GROUP evaluates the karma topics on a regular basis.

## INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL FACTORS

hen identifying the most material aspects arising from its operations, OVODAN EGG GROUP takes account of internal and external factors. Such factors include the issues identified in the overall vision and mission, vision on sustainability and long-term strategy which governs group behaviour and activities. OVODAN EGG GROUP reviews these material aspects and processes against external developments such as emerging regulation, environmental standards and approaches to certifications.

## OVODAN EGG GROUP'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX



## 37. Product tracking

**Economy (and ethics)** 

36. Food safety

Globe

- 38. Responsible marketing
- 39. Responsible supply management
- 40. GMO labelling
- 41. Animal welfare
- 47. Contributing to better utilisation of resources through innovation

MATERIALITY-RELATED TOPICS

6. Contributing to improved nutrition/health

8. Impact on local community
9. Contributing to inclusive trade (small- and

14. Safe and healthy working environment

20. Purchase of local/sustainable raw materials

medium-sized suppliers)

11. Non-discrimination and diversity

12. Access to health compensation regarding sickness, maternity/paternity leave and work-re

18. Energy consumption and CO,

contribution (scope 1, 2, 3)

27. Solid waste and sorting29. Wastewater - quantity and quality

49. Quality management

COMPANY IMPACT



## **OVODAN EGG GROUP**

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Reporting Period 2022

## TARGETS KPI ACTIONS RESULTS

Food safety and quality	Production facilities must	DK: BRC Global Food	DK: AA grade (2022: AA grade)
management	be certified at a high level	Standard audit.	
	according to a food safety		DE: A grade (2022: A grade)
UN Sustainable	standard recognised by the	DE: BRC Global Food	
Development Goal (SDG) #2	GFSI.	Standard audit.	CH: B grade (2022: B grade)
The objective is to minimise the risk of providing unsafe products to the market and to ensure minimal waste of resources during processing.  Safe and healthy working environment  UN SDG #8  The objective is to ensure	Number of sick days (per year per 100 employees).  Number of long-term sick leaves.	Offering private health care insurance and flu vaccination for employees.  Regular health checks are provided by the companies in	Number of sick days (per working day per 100 employees): • 2022: 2.8 • 2021: 0.96 • 2020: 2.14
that the work environment remains safe and healthy for employees, to avoid sick leaves and to assist fast recoveries.	Number of accidents and near misses.	Venezuela and China.  In 2022, long term sick leave and accidents have still been at a low count considering the number of employees, and this must be maintained.	Number of long-term sick leaves:
Energy consumption and CO2 emissions  UN SDG #12  The objective is to monitor the carbon footprint of the OVODAN EGG GROUP processing.	KPI has been redefined according to the initiative of carbon footprint mapping.  The consumption of energy in CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent per ton of processed egg shells.	The process of establishing uniformed measurement for all production sites has been initiated.	The baseline year is 2020:  Scope 1 constitutes 6% of the total CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent, and Scope 2 is 13% across all production sites.

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Water consumption	KPI must be redefined	Internally treated	Saving approx. 23,000 tons of
	to reflect the water	wastewater is accumulated	water per year.
UN SDG #12	consumption based on the	and reused for circulation	
	types of end products.	cooling and for cleaning non-	
The objective is to keep		production equipment, for	
water consumption as		example the outer sides of	
low as possible without		containers.	
compromising the quality			
and safety of the final			
products.			
Wastewater management	Wastewater quality must	Continuously monitoring	All sites meet local
	meet the standards of local	the level of temperature, pH,	standards.
UN SDG #12	legislation and preferably	organic material (chemical	
	contribute positively to	oxygen demand), nitrogen	

COMPANY KARMA



better handling of local

wastewater treatment.

The objective is to ensure

environment is not damaged by the group's activities.

that the local water



and phosphorus.





## **ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY**

OVODAN EGG GROUP consists of many companies in different countries around the world. The objective is to run the companies according to local and internationally approved conventions within environmental legislation and regulations. OVODAN EGG GROUP aims to minimise any harmful effects, and to the best of its knowledge, obey the laws and regulations in the countries in which it operates.

In cases where OVODAN EGG GROUP standards exceed the legal requirements, such standards will be followed. As a minimum, OVODAN EGG GROUP expects its suppliers to comply with applicable laws and regulations in the countries in which they operate.

#### POLICIES TRANSFERRED TO ACTION

OVODAN EGG GROUP continuously evaluates its activities, products and services in terms of actual and potential environmental impacts. During its operations, OVODAN EGG GROUP seeks to identify opportunities to reduce its consumption of energy, water and other natural resources. OVODAN EGG GROUP also strives to reuse and recycle where possible and dispose of non-recyclable items responsibly, thereby minimising its impact on the environment. The intention is to expand this to all companies in the OVODAN EGG GROUP.

 $B_{\text{EGG}}$  group works to reduce and handle the environmental impact in its daily practices in the facilities:

## EXCESS HEAT FROM PROCESSING:

Processing liquid egg into egg powder requires energy in the form of both high and low temperatures. To maximise the utilisation of the processing energy, the excess energy in the form of heat is accumulated and recycled to heat up production facilities.

## WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT:

Wastewater from all plants is handled in accordance with local legislation and in close collaboration with the local authorities:

• Wastewater from the Danish egg processing plant is led pre-treated to the municipally water treatment

site. The pH value and organic content are carefully monitored to improve the accumulated wastewater of the local area. The wastewater from OVODAN FOODS A/S neutralise the acidic household wastewater of the local area. This, in addition to the limited organic material, provides optimal conditions for the biological treatment facilities.

- Wastewater from the German processing plant is fully pre-treated before it is led to the public wastewater treatment.
- At the Chinese production sites, wastewater meets
   Class 1 according to GB standards after the entire
   treatment process in the factory before it is led out.

#### SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT:

To minimise solid waste from production, OVODAN EGG GROUP prefers using packaging suitable for reuse and recycling. Solid waste specific for the OVODAN EGG GROUP activities are recycled if possible:

- OVODAN EGG GROUP sort various types of cardboard, paper, plastic, wood, etc. to either reuse or recycle.
- In Guangdong, product packaging has been exchanged into recyclable cans which has reduced the consumption of cardboard boxes by 4,560 kg in 2021 and in 2022; emissions from wast has reached 0 kg.
- At the German plant, the eggshells from breakage are reused for composting as a rich source of calcium carbonate.

#### **ELECTRIFICATION:**

OVODAN EGG GROUP seeks to be able to benefit from renewable energy by removing the dependency of fossil-based production processes. This is done by continuously investing in new electric equipment to replace old fossil-based machinery or by replacing electrified equipment with more energy-efficient models.

 At the German plant, the power-supply for the wastewater treatment system has been replaced by a new energy-efficient electric model.

#### FOOD LOSS AND FOOD WASTE:

A ccording to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Food Waste Index, 14% of all

food is lost En route to retail market. This includes storage, transportation, processing and packaging.\*(https://www.ift.org/news-and-publications/food-technology-magazine/issues/2021/december/features/facing-the-food-waste-crisis). OVODAN EGG GROUP seeks to minimise its contribution to this share by prioritising a high level of process management and process facilities which are audited according to food safety standards recognised by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI):

 German production facilities and processes have been audited according to the British Retail Consortium (BRC) Global Food Safety Standard with an A grade result.

- Danish production facilities and processes have been audited according to the BRC Global Food Safety Standard with an AA grade result.
- Chinese production facilities and processes have been audited according to the BRC Global Food Safety Standard with a B grade result.

## **CARBON FOOTPRINT**

 $\mathbf{D}^{\mathrm{uring 2021},\,\mathrm{OVODAN}}$  EGG GROUP initiated mapping the  $\mathrm{CO_2}$  equivalents related to its activities. The objective has been to bring clarification of which activities to approach and prioritise actions to reduce the carbon footprint of its activities.

The 2022 calculations of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents have been carried out according to the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol and in collaboration with the external consultancy Viegand Maagøe. The initial mapping includes Scopes 1, 2 and 3 with 2020 as the baseline.

The investigations have unveiled that Scope 3 is responsible for the main part of the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent

emissions (81%). This is mainly due to the supply of raw materials. The direct emissions (Scope 1) account for approx. 6%, the indirect emissions from supplied energy (Scope 2) is 13%. Next to supply of raw materials (75%), transportation of goods (14%) is the second largest emitter within Scope 3.

Fig.1: OVODAN EGG GROUP  ${\rm CO_2}$  equivalent emission percentage distributed by Scopes 1, 2 and 3.

Fig 2.:  $CO_2$  equivalent emission percentage distributed by Scope 3

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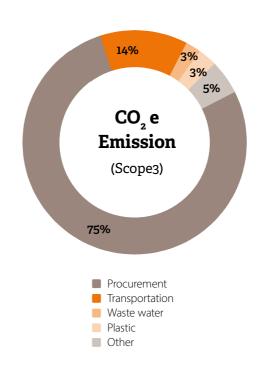
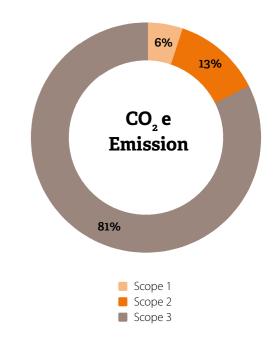


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## OVODAN EGG GROUP

Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

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## **KPI**

# PLANNED ACTIONS (2023)

Responsible consumption and production  UN SDG #12	Food safety – no recalls  Pass the yearly BRC audit with AA grade and pass the inspections from the Danish Veterinary and Food Administration (DK).  100% product traceability.	OVODAN EGG GROUP will monitor that it lives up to all the rules and regulations both internally and externally to have no recalls.  OVODAN EGG GROUP will follow the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) food safety programme to ensure that OVODAN EGG GROUP and its food safety standard will continuously be grade AA.
		OVODAN EGG GROUP wants to secure 100% product traceability. It will monitor the quality management systems and make sure staff is trained and educated.
Affordable and clean energy and climate action  UN SDGs #7 and #13	Mapping of production processes suitable for electrification.  Proposals and priority of solutions based on parameters as potential emission reductions, financial investments and implementation feasibility.  Reducing the CO <sub>2</sub> consumption by 8% in 2028.	During 2022-2023, a project regarding mapping of relevant manufacturing processes suitable will be initiated.  Proposals to be evaluated and prioritised.  Evaluate feasibility of technology transfers to more production sites.  Identify possible certificates for supply transitions.  Evaluate and focus on Scope 3 for the different sites and find alternate and more sustainable solutions.
Good health and well-being UN SDG #3	Work safety – no fatal accidents  and reduce accidents and near misses to reach 2021 level of maximum five accidents and near misses.	OVODAN EGG GROUP will monitor that it lives up to all the rules and regulations incl. training of the staff to reduce the risks.

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CHINA SHANGHAI, FACTORY, OVODAN О BIRD' GROUP OVODAN EGG CREDIT: COMPANY KARMA

Gender equality

UN SDG #5

Keep focus on maintaining an equal balance of female and male employees in OVODAN EGG GROUP.

In 2022, the representation is 35% women and 65% men.

By 2028, the representation must be no less than 40% women and 60% men.

OVODAN EGG GROUP will continuously monitor the balance between the gender representation.

OVODAN EGG GROUP's passion lies with the egg. As true pioneers in the industry, OVODAN EGG GROUP has extensive knowledge within sustainable egg handling and processing.

**F** or more than 80 years, OVODAN EGG GROUP has built an extensive global network of trusted production facilities and farms to secure a safe and consistent supply to its customers.

VODAN EGG GROUP goes all the way to secure that its products live up to its customers standards. Therefore, OVODAN EGG GROUP always does its outmost to achieve the highest certifications and the certifications that is required by its customers.

O VODAN EGG GROUP has customers all around the world with different religions and cultures, and it is very important to OVODAN EGG GROUP that it meets the specific requirements. Therefore, OVODAN EGG GROUP is happy to share that not only has it passed the BRC audit, but also kosher and halal certifications have been passed successfully in 2022.

OVODAN EGG GROUP's business success is not solely down to its quality products and pioneering technologies. Above all, it is due to its dedicated employees who, among other things, ensure OVODAN EGG GROUP's factories are safe and its products consistent.



## **A THORNICO** COMPANY KARMA PROJECT HEART FOR AFRICA

roject Canaan is Heart for Africa's 2,500-acre largescale village development project being used to bring HOPE to the tiny Kingdom of Eswatini (formerly Swaziland) by focusing on four key areas: Hunger, Orphans, Poverty and Education. The Heart for Africa Foundation is a non-profit public charity. Working alongside rural churches in Eswatini, the foundation provides care and hope for the future for children in this small African nation by ensuring training and employment while supporting orphans and vulnerable children on the property and across the country.

↑ IDS and tuberculosis are major problems in Eswatini. In fact, the country has one of the highest HIV/AIDS rates globally. It is estimated that 50% of Eswatini's population are orphans and vulnerable. There are over 200,000 orphans in Eswatini, with a total population of 950,000 having an average life expectancy of 29 years. Young girls become pregnant as they seek help from men to get food for their younger siblings, resulting in early teenage pregnancy and many abandoned babies. (https:// heartforafrica.org/why-eswatini/).

 ${f A}^{
m s}$  of April 2022, Heart for Africa have more than 300 orphaned children who call Project Canaan home and employ 320+ people from the surrounding community. Project Canaan receive a new baby on average every 12 days and by 2031, they expect to have around 669 children. Project Canaan builds houses and schools as the children grow up. The project gives the children a chance to live, grow up and be educated to help break the cycle of ignorance and poverty in their generation.

project Canaan has its own farm with multiple Tapproaches to agriculture utilising both outdoor and greenhouse crop production, dairy- and egg farming, raising chickens and goats, and producing fruit wherever possible on the land. Proceeds from agriculture are used to help Project Canaan be a sustainable community and help support the children and churches across the country that Heart for Africa has partnered with.

T n the THORNICO Group, we are highly involved in L this project as it is one of our major Company Karma Projects; cross-linked with our sister companies.

T n 2016, SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP donated a L complete boiling machine to the egg farm and in 2018, it was followed up by yet another donation; an egg cooling machine. The machines are custom-made by engineers from SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP to accommodate local conditions and the entire operation is supported by solar energy. We are proud to be part of this very hands-on and immensely meaningful project. For us, A Company Karma Project is at its best when a handover of knowledge is involved, just as we experience here where we can hand over our know-how of egg processing to the egg farm in Canaan.

ver the years, we have had some of our good olleagues visiting the project - our CEO and Owner, Christian Stadil, amongst others from the THORNICO









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## NEWEST DONATIONS TO PROJECT CANAAN

Heart for Africa

## **NEW DONATION**

Tn May 2022, the OVODAN EGG GROUP and SANOVO ■ TECHNOLOGY GROUP, a part of our food and egg sector, committed themselves to support the Heart for Africa Foundation and its egg farm at Project Canaan with a 10,000 USD donation from each group company in 2022, 2023 and again in 2024; a total of USD 60,000 donation over the three years. Since it is a very new donation, we are still in the early process of finding the best possible way to spend the funds at Project Canaan and its egg farm.

 $O^{\text{VODAN EGG GROUP and SANOVO TECHNOLOGY}}_{\text{GROUP are committed to supporting the Heart for}}$ Africa Foundation and its Canaan Egg Farm in Eswatini with eggs and egg handling equipment and knowledge.

Tn 2019/2020, THORNICO donated the funds for ■ building a soccer field at Project Canaan including hummel® soccer-kits for the children to wear on the field. We started clearing the land for the project during our latest THORNICO visit in March 2019. The field has been named The THORNICO Field and the locals involved in the project have made a very beautiful sign by hand to decorate the field area. Since it is a Company Karma Project across the THORNICO Group, we have, as an internal symbol, arranged for all our 100% owned companies to have their own soccer team at Project

Canaan. It is one of the biggest soccer fields in Eswatini and we hope that it will bring a strong team spirit, joy and confidence among the children. Sport is for everyone, enhancing mental health by delivering social, psychological and physiological benefits.

↑ very special thanks to Janine and Ian Maxwell and Atheir fantastic employees and volunteers. Without these balls of fire who have dedicated their entire life to helping the children of Eswatini and changing not only their lives but also the country for the better with their holistic approach. We can only hope for a better tomorrow, but we know as long as we have kind, selfless and loving people, the children will be okay. Without Janine and Ian none of this would be possible and on behalf of the THORNICO Group we thank you for that.

he support for the Heart for Africa Foundation and ▲ its Project Canaan in Eswatini is matched with UN SDG #2 - Zero Hunger and #3 - Good Health and Well

 $W^{\text{e}}$  are very thankful for the opportunity to help spread good karma with eggs and through sport - we are looking forward to continuing our collaboration with Heart for Africa, co-creating a better future for Eswatini and the children and locals in and around Project Canaan.













# SPORT & FASHION

THROUGH HUMMEL®, WE HAVE A LONG TRADITION OF DESIGNING AND MANUFACTURING SPORTS AND FOOTWEAR. WE HAVE BECOME AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMMUNITY AND SHARED HISTORICAL MOMENTS WITH MANY OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST ATHLETES AND SPORTS CHARACTERS. FOCUSING ON INNOVATION AND MEETING MARKET TRENDS, WE HAVE MERGED SPORT AND FASHION INTO OUR PRODUCTS, ALWAYS ADDING AN ELEMENT OF QUIRKINESS AND KARMA WITH CREATIVE PROJECTS AND LIFE-AFFIRMING SOCIAL CAUSES.





## **ABOUT HUMMEL**

Change the World Through Sport

hummel® is a sports brand with a long history within the sportswear industry. 100 years to be exact. hummel®'s business model is a combination of B2B (wholesale) and B2C (retail and ecommerce), designing and selling own brand apparel, footwear and sporting goods. The company's main activities include product design and development, sales, marketing and distribution.

h ummel® produces all its own brand items through carefully selected vendors based in mainly Pakistan, China, Bangladesh, India, Turkey and Portugal and sells them through a mix of its own channels (ecommerce and stores in Denmark) as well as online marketplaces, department stores and sportswear chains across the globe.

h ummel® believes that you get what you give. That is why hummel® is committed to doing business while doing good in the world. It is hummel®'s mission.

## **COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION**

At hummel®, the Company Karma area is split across three functions in line with its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and sustainability strategy. hummel® calls these functions People, Planet and Purpose.

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The CSR and sustainability strategy supports its overarching business goals and includes clear, realistic and measurable goals.

The Director of Group Marketing and Brand Identity, reporting directly to the CEO, is overall responsible for the Purpose projects such as charitable global sponsor and partnerships.

T he Chief HR Officer (CHO) is responsible for 'People internal', the people working for hummel®.

The Director of Group Buying and CSR, reporting to the Chief Operating Officer (COO), is overall responsible for 'People External' (the people involved in making hummel®'s products) and 'Planet'. This includes ensuring full compliance with its code of conduct, supplier manual, safety manual, chemical restrictions as well as factory audits. Its combined CSR and sustainability strategy additionally covers Green House Gas (GHG) emission reduction targets, including targets on increasing its share of organic and recycled polyester, more efficient production methods, researching more environmentally friendly materials and recycling methods.

A comprehensive plan for how hummel® will achieve its long- and short-term goals on both People, Planet and Purpose is in place, prioritising key focus areas and risk mitigation.







## **HUMMEL**

## Material Karma Topics

#### PEOPLE INTERNAL: RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYER

UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): #3 (good health and well-being) and #4 (quality education)

- Ensuring hummel® is an inclusive, safe and healthy place to work.
- Offering all employees a clear career path and continuing education.

## PEOPLE EXTERNAL: RESPONSIBLE PRODUCTION

UN SDGs: #3 (good health and well-being) and #8 (decent work and economic growth)

- Identifying, preventing and mitigating adverse human rights impacts in hummel®'s supply chain.
- Ensuring the right to occupational health and safety.
- Ensuring minimum wage.

#### PLANET: GREEN HOUSE GAS **EMISSION** REDUCTIONS

UN SDG: #13 (climate action)

- Reducing the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for Scopes 1 and 2 by 60% by 2031.
- Reducing Scope 3 GHG emissions from purchased goods and services by 55% per purchased item by 2031.
- Increasing the use of recycled and organic fibres.
- Encouraging the use of green energy and more energy-efficient machinery.
- Encouraging business partners to set goals for CO, emission reduction.

• Using recycled and recyclable packaging.

## PLANET: PROTECTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

UN SDGs: #13 (climate action), #14 (life below water) and #15 (life on land)

- Designing for circularity and durability.
- Encouraging and give preference to factories with reduced water usage in production and wastewater treatment systems.

## PLANET: PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND BIODIVERSITY

UN SDGs: #3 (good health and well-being), #12 (responsible consumption and production), #14 (life below water) and #15 (life on land)

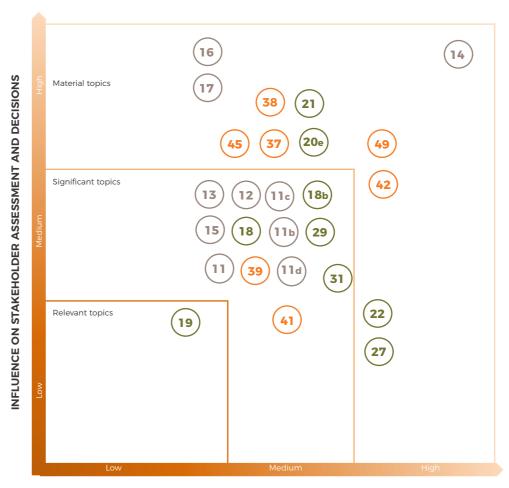
- · Eliminating the use of synthetic pesticides and fertilisers in cotton used for hummel® products.
- Ensuring full compliance with hummel®'s chemical restrictions.

## PURPOSE: CHANGE THE WORLD THROUGH SPORT

UN SDGs: #3 (good health and well-being), #5 (gender equality) and #10 (reduced inequalities)Working for equal rights for everyone.

- Promoting inclusivity.
- Supporting projects through sports which raise the quality of life.

#### **HUMMEL'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX**



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## **MATERIALITY-RELATED TOPICS**

- 8. Impact on local community
- 8b. Forced reassignment
- 11. Non-discrimination and diversity
- 11b. Equal pay for equal work
- 11c. Women's rights
- 11d. Inclusion
- 12. Access to health compensation regarding sickness, maternity/paternity leave and work-related injuries
- 13. Working hours and compensation overtime
- 14. Safe and healthy working environment
- 15. Freedom of organisation
- 16. Child labour
- 17. Forced labour

## Globe

- 18. Energy consumption and CO.
- contribution (scope 1, 2, 3)
- 18b. Energy consumption, renewable energy sources
- 19. Water consumption
- 20e. Degree of reutilsation or recycling of raw material consumption
- 21. Chemical use 22. Packaging
- 27. Solid waste and sorting
- 29. Wastewater quantity and quality
- 31. Biodiversity impact

## **Economy (and ethics)**

- 37. Product tracking
- 38. Responsible marketing 39. Responsible supply management
- Animal welfare
- 42 Responsible business conduct
- 45. Extortion and exploitation (corruption)
- 49. Quality managament

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## **HUMMEL**

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
for the Reporting Period 2022

TARGETS	KPI	ACTIONS	RESULTS
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Maintain full visibility of hummel®'s first tier supply chain and start mapping second tier  SDGs #8 and #12	Data: 100% of first tier and 50% of second tier suppliers.	Maintained contact to suppliers for updates and verification of factories used for production.  The CSR team visited factory sites for location validation and check.  Used GRS, RCS, GOTS, OCS for traceability of supply chain.	Obtained solid data on approximately 95% of first tier suppliers. Currently in process of mapping the remaining 5%.  Obtained data on about 50% of second tier suppliers by value.
Ensure safe and fair working conditions at 100% of hummel®'s first tier suppliers SDGs #3, #8 and #12	Audit reports: 100% of first tier.	Organised suppliers for clear visibility of valid audits, expired audits and no audits.  Requested audit reports or renewal of audits from relevant suppliers.  Made audit reports an integrated part of supplier vetting.	Ensured 18 out of 19 A suppliers had a third party audit. 14 out of 19 had a valid audit.  17 out of 19 B suppliers had an audit. 14 out of 19 had a valid third party audit.  43 out of 58 C suppliers had a third party audit and at a minimum, valid SGS or hummel® audits.
Educate and engage all hummel® employees in hummel®'s CSR strategy  SDGs #8 and #12	CSR guide, workshop.  A new sustainability	Due diligence workshops were conducted for relevant HQ staff and country offices.  A Karma section was	Created a basic understanding of responsible business conduct among hummel® staff.  Made concepts of due diligence and human rights a recognisable and integrated part of hummel® staff's thinking.  Achieved its goal on
through transparent and accurate communication to the end consumer  SDGs #8 and #12	section on hummel®, HALO, Newline and Sometime Soon websites.	launched on the hummel® website. The section describes hummel®'s social and environmental goals and strategies.	hummel®'s website and will continue to keep it updated with latest initiatives.



Continuously educate	Min. eight promotions	Hired 95% of hummel®	Hired 95% of hummel®
and develop all hummel®	annually, hiring 90%	trainees and promoted more	trainees and promoted more
employees	of hummel®'s trainees	than 20 employees.	than 20 employees.
	permanently, launch		
SDG #8	hummel® academy.		The academy is still in
			process of being developed.
Ensure that hummel® is an	Launch an annual 'Change	Promoted inclusivity in the	Successfully launched a
inclusive and safe place to	the World through Sports'	workplace through bringing	'Change the World through
work	day, score of 85 in employee	its employees together	Sports' day and decided to
	satisfaction survey on	across functions/levels and	make it a biannual event.
SDGs #5, #8 and #10	collaboration.	through social events.	
Set Green House Gas	SBTi targets.	hummel® prepared its CO2	hummel® is now publicly
emission reduction targets		reduction goal through	committed to the Science
for the future		the Science Based Targets	Based Targets initiative and
		initiative (SBTi) and made a	its target validation is in
SDG #13		public commitment.	process (hummel®´s targets
			were validated in February
			2023 and will be published
			soon).
Reduce hummel®'s GHG	10% reduction in GHG Scopes	hummel® moved into a new	Impact is yet to be seen.
	-		impact is yet to be seen.
emissions within Scopes 1	1 and 2.	warehouse in July. The new	
and 2 of the GHG protocol		warehouse has solar panels	
by 60% by 2030		on the roof.	
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SDG #13  Reduce hummel®'s GHG	TO THE CHIEF CANAL	T 141	The decree Control of the
	5% reduction in GHG Scope	Increased the overall share	The target for Scope 3 has
emissions within Scope 3 of	3.	of recycled and organic	been updated during the
the GHG protocol by 30% by		cotton and hummel®	SBTi target validation
2030		encouraged its supplier to	process.
		use green energy sources.	
SDG #12 and #13			Positive progress has been
			made when measuring CO <sub>2</sub>
			emissions per item, but the
			overall emissions in Scope
			3 saw an expected increase
			following an increase in sold
			items.
Increase hummel®'s usage of	11% organic/recycled cotton	Increased the share of	Recycled polyester reached
'more sustainable' materials	and 10% recycled synthetic	organic and recycled fibres.	around 11% of total polyester,
in apparel	fibres.		whereas organic cotton
			reached 8.7% of total cotton.
SDGs #12 and #13			The target is a two-year
			target, running till the end
			of 2023.

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Work towards a circular	20% sweat options in mono-	hummel® diverted its focus	hummel® did not meet this
economy	fibres.	on this point to increasing	target.
		the amount of organic fibres	
SDGs #12 and #13		in its sweat options.	
Make all packaging and	100% packaging and labelling	Launched new hangtags in	Met hummel®'s targets
labelling from recycled and	materials made from	100% recycled and recyclable	on labelling and most
recyclable materials	recycled materials.	paper.	packaging, however
			encountered a few
SDGs #12 and #13			challenges, such as the fact
			that maximum recycled
			content in shoe boxes is 70%
			due to quality requirements.
Introduce water saving	Trial water saving processes	Visited its top suppliers	All of hummel®'s suppliers
processes and protect clean	with two suppliers, collect	wastewater systems in	with vertical set-ups have
water reserves	waste-water data from top	Bangladesh and India.	wastewater treatment
	five suppliers.		systems. hummel® has yet to
SDGs #6, #12, #13 and #14			start collecting data on this.
Eliminate synthetic	Conventional cotton share	Increased the share of	Currently, the kids
pesticides and fertilisers in	in KIDS collections less than	organic cotton substantially.	department is at 44% organic
hummel®'s products	30%, GOTS certification		cotton out of all cotton.
	KIDS AW23.		Target runs till the end of
SDGs #12,#13 and #15			2023.
			Contification was seen because
			Certification process has yet to start.
			to start.
Ensure full compliance	15 footwear options tested in	Secured an increased budget	20 plus footwear styles
with hummel®'s chemical	2022 and 20 footwear options	for testing.	covering all footwear types
restrictions list and EU	tested in 2023.		are being tested in 2023.
regulations			
SDG #3, #12 and #13			
Make a donation to one or	1% of its annual ecommerce	Donated 1% of its online	Donated 1% of its own
more organisations who are	turnover donated to one or	turnover in Q4 2022 to	ecommerce turnover to
making a positive difference	more good causes.	Amnesty International	purpose-related projects.
		Denmark. Moreover. it	
through sport.		Denmark. Moreover, it	
through sport.		donated all profit from the	
through sport. SDG #17		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
		donated all profit from the	

for human rights.

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Engage in a partnership	One purpose partnership/	Entered into a collaboration	Signed a two-year
with a higher purpose	year.	with Amnesty International	cooperation agreement
within sport in line with		to raise awareness of human	with Amnesty International
its vision to CTWTS.		rights.	Denmark and agreed on
They either challenge			milestones with emphasis
conventions, support the			on hummel®´s due diligence
disabled or disadvantaged,			process.
seek to bring people			
together or work to			
eliminate differences			
SDG #17			
Engage in sponsorships with	Two purpose sponsorships/	Recreated the Afghan	Met hummel®'s goal of
a higher purpose within	year.	Women's National Football	two globally relevant
sport in line with its vision		Team in Australia and	international 'Purpose
to CTWTS. They either		came back as a sponsor	Sponsorships' in 2022.
challenge conventions,		for the team to support	
support the disabled or		their fight for equality.	
disadvantaged, seek to bring		Moreover, hummel® has	
people together or work to		helped facilitating the	
eliminate differences		internationalisation of	
		'LykkeLiga' to 'HappyLeague'.	
SDG #17			

A part from the above-mentioned activities, hummel® is participating in an industry-wide research project on recycling post-consumer polyester and cotton garments into new fibres to help drive innovation in the industry and push the circular agenda. The project is led by the Danish Technological Institute and subsidised by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency.

Additionally, hummel® is a member of International Accord in Bangladesh and has signed up for the extended International Accord in Pakistan launching in 2023. International Accord is an agreement between

brands, retailers and global trade unions to ensure occupational health and safety at textile and garment factories supplying Accord signatory brands and retailers.

hummel® also entered into a partnership with Amnesty International Denmark. The partnership entails that hummel® will use its sports platform to create attention around human rights concerns, to create clothing collections with Amnesty where the profits will go to Amnesty and to donate around 1% of hummel®'s online turnover.

## **HUMMEL**

Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

## TARGETS KPI PLANNED ACTIONS

	I	
Maintain full visibility of hummel®'s	Maintain 100% visibility of first tier	- Send out traceability forms post-
first tier supply chain and start	suppliers.	factory visits. Ask CSR counterparts
mapping second tier		to fill out the form with first, second,
	Map 100% visibility over vertical set-up	third and fourth tier to the best of
	suppliers.	their ability.
	Maintain beyond first and second tier for popular items.	Clearly mark suppliers with vertical set-ups.  Clearly in disease action (in action).
		<ul> <li>Clearly indicate active/inactive suppliers.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Increase transparency of factories used by agents.</li> </ul>
Ensure safe and fair working	Maintain a form of audit for 100% of	<ul> <li>Visit suppliers and engage in labour</li> </ul>
conditions at 100% of hummel®'s first	first tier suppliers.	rights dialogues.
tier suppliers		<ul> <li>Maintain third party audits for all A and B suppliers and ensure C suppliers get an upgraded self- assessment or SGS or hummel® audit.</li> </ul>
Educate and engage all hummel®	100% relevant hummel® staff, both HQ	Create and roll out online CSR test.
employees in its CSR strategy	and external offices, must take the CSR test and participate in CSR related workshops.	<ul> <li>Conduct annual CSR related workshops.</li> </ul>
Show accountability through	Publish 2022 CO <sub>2</sub> emission reduction	• Write CO <sub>2</sub> emission reduction report
transparent and accurate	results on hummel®'s webpage.	for webpage based on 2021-2022 and
communication to the end consumer		future plans.
	Increase communication regarding hummel®'s products while complying with potential green claims legislation.	<ul> <li>Ensure website shares factual accurate information related to hummel®'s products.</li> </ul>
Identify, mitigate and stop potential	Integrate human rights and	Post human rights policy
and actual human rights and	environmental rights risk system into	commitment on hummel®'s website.
environmental risks in hummel®'s	buying practices.	
value chain	buying practices.	Continue mapping hummel®'s value chain upstream and downstream.
		Identify largest actual and potential risks in its value chain, and ensure preventative actions are taken. Stop or mitigate actual violations.
		<ul> <li>Create better communication between hummel®'s CSR team and workers in its value chain.</li> </ul>

Continuously educate and develop all hummel® employees  Ensure that hummel® is an inclusive and safe place to work	Introduce global learning and development activities to all subsidiaries by Q1 2024 to support all HR processes including both online and offline training.  All employees should experience that all have equal opportunities for leadership roles.  The under-represented gender should make up a minimum of 20% in its management.	<ul> <li>Introduce global HR platform.</li> <li>Offer both online and offline training globally</li> <li>Conduct thorough recruitment process for both internal and external positions including assessment and personality profiling to ensure unbiased recruitments.</li> <li>Continue to focus on promoting the under-represented gender in managerial positions by focusing on diversity in the recruitment process and making sure the under-</li> </ul>
Set Green House Gas (GHG) emission reduction targets for the future	Communicate hummel®'s validated Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)	represented gender is present on the short list for managerial positions. However, at all times, hire/promote the best candidate regardless of gender.  • Create a report for annual publication.
Reduce hummel®'s GHG emissions	targets.	-
within Scopes 1 and 2 of the GHG protocol by 60% by 2031	Positive movement on SBTi Scopes 1 and 2 targets.	<ul> <li>Obtain documentation of green energy.</li> <li>Encourage hummel® external offices to buy green energy.</li> </ul>
Reduce hummel®'s GHG emissions within Scope 3 of the GHG protocol by 55% per item sold	Aim for 10% recycled fibres and 11% organic cotton.  Get two or more suppliers to commit to the Science Based Targets initiative.	<ul> <li>Increase share of organic cotton.</li> <li>Increase share of recycled polyester.</li> <li>Map factories that use green energy sources.</li> <li>Encourage suppliers to conduct GHG accounting and signing up for SBTi.</li> </ul>
Work towards a circular economy	One product made from fibres from recycled garments	<ul> <li>Conduct meetings with potential partners and agree on a pilot program.</li> </ul>
Make all packaging and labelling from recycled and recyclable materials	100% of hangtags, labels and packaging to be from recycled materials. 70% of shoe boxes to be recycled content.	<ul> <li>Maintain hummel®'s standard of using recycled and recyclable materials.</li> </ul>

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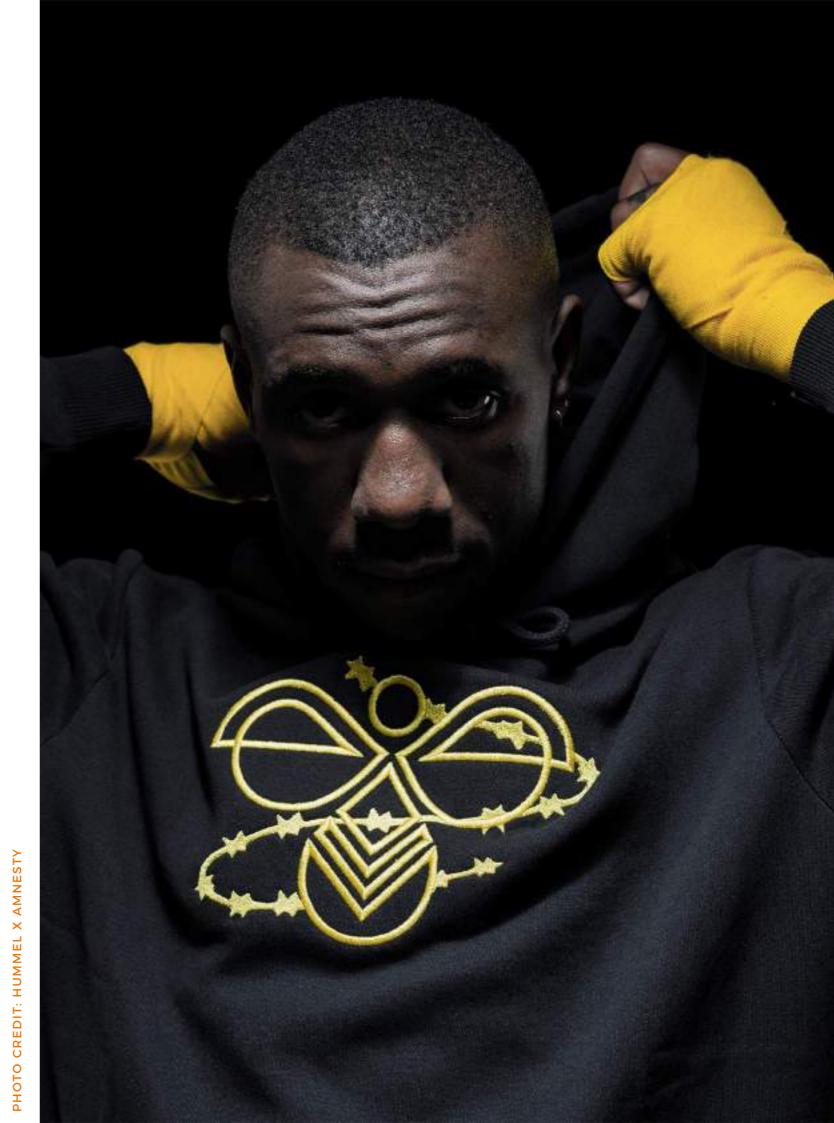
Introduce water-saving processes and	Collect data on 25% suppliers without	Keep an updated overview of
protect clean water reserves	wastewater systems.	suppliers and their water saving and
		water cleaning facilities.
Eliminate synthetic pesticides and	Start GOTS certification process.	Continue to give preference to
fertilisers in hummel® products		organic materials, especially in
		hummel® KIDS, and research GOTS
		certification.
Ensure full compliance with hummel®'s	A minimum of 20 footwear styles	• Expand hummel®'s testing
chemical restrictions list and EU	covering all footwear types to be tested	programme on both apparel and
regulations	in 2023.	footwear increasing the number of
		annual chemical tests.
Use its sponsorship clubs to raise	Ensure that hummel®'s first tier and	• Reach out to hummel®'s sponsorship
awareness around relevant projects	second tier sponsorships with their	clubs and identify potential
and challenges that support hummel®'s	large fan base contribute to the success	opportunities to collaborate on
vision of changing the world through	of hummel®'s purpose-driven projects	purpose-driven projects.
sport	that align with its shared values.	
Engage in purpose projects with a	Ensure that hummel® selects projects	Create a list of relevant projects and
higher purpose in line with hummel®'s	that can effectively enhance its brand	challenges related to sports that
vision to CTWTS. They either	perception.	align with hummel®'s vision.
challenge conventions, support the		Explore various solutions to increase
disabled or disadvantaged, seek to	Increase employee involvement in its	employee participation in its
bring people together or work to	purpose-driven projects.	projects.
eliminate differences		

In the coming year, hummel® will increase its focus on the legal aspects of CSR and the reporting requirements coming from the European Union. The focus will especially be the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence (CSDD), the textile strategy and the green claims legislation. This involves formalising processes for mapping hummel®'s value chain and identifying, preventing and mitigating potential and actual adverse impacts. Concepts of human rights, due diligence, responsible business conduct and social sustainability must become an integrated way of thinking at hummel®. Furthermore, hummel® will continue its support to the International Accord in Bangladesh and Pakistan in 2023.

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m eaching}$  its  ${f CO_2}$  reduction targets under the Science Based Targets initiative will also play an increased role in hummel®'s climate policies and buying practices as selecting and supporting hummel®'s suppliers towards a greener production will be a core strategy in its climate efforts.

There will be an increased focus on circular textiles and working towards compliance with EU's textile strategy. This also includes an increased focus on keeping a record of certifications and working towards hummel® being GOTS and GRS certified. Moreover, hummel® will continue to participate in the industry-wide research project on recycling post-consumer polyester and cotton garments into new fibres led by the Danish Technological Institute and subsidised by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency.

hummel®'s 2023 targets are limited to one year as it is already building on targets from the 2021-2023 target period. As a significant number of new laws related to social sustainability will be presented in the coming year, hummel® will work towards the already set targets while it gets an overview of the new regulations and before working on new long-term targets for hummel®.







## **HUMMEL**

## Company Karma Projects & Initiatives

Tts purpose projects are inextricably interconnected lacksquare with hummel®'s vision to change the world through sport. Since its current owner acquired the company back in 1999, Company Karma has been a solid corner stoner in the hummel® business strategy.

ummel® has worked on a ton of valuable projects  $oldsymbol{1}$  and typically, hummel $^{oldsymbol{\circ}}$  prioritises supporting and helping minorities and marginalised groups. What unites all those people and projects is their deep, true passion for sport.

#### **PURPOSE PROJECTS 2022**

#### AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DENMARK

ummel®'s purpose is to move the world forward  $oldsymbol{1}$  through the power of sport, and as one of the oldest sportswear brands in the world, hummel® knows that it requires a solid team effort to create positive change in sport as well as in life. That is also why, hummel® has teamed up with Amnesty International Denmark for the next two years to raise awareness of human rights. To mark the new partnership, hummel® designed an exclusive hummel® x Amnesty lifestyle collection and donated all profit from the collection directly to Amnesty's work for a just world.

## AFGHAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM

fter the Taliban took control of Afghanistan in August 2021, the women's national football team suddenly lost their rights to play football in their home country. To keep acknowledging them as the official national team, hummel® brought the team back together in Australia and provided them with a new statement logo for their national team jersey. Unfortunately, hummel® had to cancel its sponsorship with the team in 2018 due to a sexual abuse scandal in the Afghan Football Federation, but the Afghan women never left hummel®'s hearts. hummel® is proud to be back as a sponsor for the team and support their fight for equality.

#### HAPPYLEAGUE

ykkeLiga is grounded in the joy and happiness of sport and team spirit. Driven by passionate souls who fight tirelessly to provide ALL children with the opportunity to play sport and feel the joy of being part of a team. As main sponsors of LykkeLiga in Denmark, hummel® is happy to be a part of the next chapter as LykkeLiga has now spread across borders. In 2022, hummel® has helped facilitate the internationalisation of 'LykkeLiga' to 'HappyLeague'. hummel® looks forward to seeing this fantastic community growing even bigger in the coming years.

## THE DANISH HOMELESS TEAM

**T** n 2022, hummel<sup>®</sup> extended its sponsorship with the ■ Danish National Homeless Team, which means that the contract now runs until 2025. This was secured through an agreement between hummel® and the OMBOLD (RE-BALL) NGO, which selects and trains the National Homeless Football Team. With the partnership, hummel® and OMBOLD also want to focus further on their shared mission of changing the world through sport.

#### FANT - FOR A NEW TOMORROW

TANT, hummel® and the International Handball  $oldsymbol{\Gamma}$  Federation (IHF) continued its 'Player of the Match' award initiative at the 2022 IHF Men's World Championship in Sweden and Poland. After each game, the named Player of The Match got the opportunity to pass on talent and passion for handball to the next generation with a donation of handball® equipment to the FANT organisation. This applied to all 112 matches at the tournament. The event is the fifth senior IHF World Championship to feature the reimagined award and the fourth that will benefit FANT.

# REAL ESTATE

THROUGH STANICO, WE MANAGE THE FINANCIAL, COMMERCIAL AND TECHNICAL MATTERS OF OUR VAST REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO CONSTITUTING A MIX OF OFFICES, INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. WE ALWAYS AIM AT FINDING SOLUTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR DIFFERENT TYPES OF TENANTS, MAINTAINING GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE WHO CALL OUR BUILDINGS 'HOME'. WITH A SUSTAINABLE AND GREEN MINDSET, WE HAVE INTRODUCED SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST INNOVATIVE GREEN PROJECTS IN OUR BUILDINGS, MERGING CONCRETE WITH NATURE IN THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT.





## ABOUT STANICO

STANICO handles the financial, commercial and technical matters of most of THORNICO's real estate portfolio. More specifically, it is in charge of the management, leasing and maintenance of the THORNICO Building and the THORNICO T(W)O in Rotterdam and the Danish portfolio mix of offices, industrial and residential properties.

The THORNICO Building is a typical multi-tenant office building located in the centre of Rotterdam. It was constructed in the mid-1970s and acquired by the THORNICO Group in the late '80s. The THORNICO Building has gradually developed from a massive office building built in the post-war redevelopment programme of Rotterdam to a green and highly recognised landmark of the city. With 30,000 square metres of rentable space and a parking garage for about 800 cars, the THORNICO Building is one of the biggest of its kind in the heart of the city. The THORNICO Building is used by approximately 25 different companies ranging from small start-ups to larger entities in the field of various services, commercial businesses, restaurants and various medical services.

ast year, 850 square metres of vacant premises on the ground floor were transformed into a social space for the tenants in the building with a meet and greet lounge, meeting rooms, shower rooms, etc. Three new offices facing the street were also established.

The Rotterdam portfolio also consists of a neighbouring building, named THORNICO T(W)O. Although size-wise not a huge building, the THORNICO T(W)O is one of Rotterdam's architectural landmarks by design and location. Amidst office high rises and dark alleys, the building functions as a 54 metres deep, but only 5 metres wide three-storey office/workshop annexe with a penthouse apartment on top. With the two buildings, STANICO holds a unique position in Rotterdam's sustainable and cultural development.

In Denmark, the STANICO administration is located in Odense along with THORNICO HQ among others. STANICO also houses the THORNICO Copenhagen based hub with several of the THORNICO Group companies,

a magnificent property of 916 square metres erected in 1912, located on Svanemøllevej – one of the most distinctive and iconic residential roads in Copenhagen.

In addition, a subsidiary of STANICO, STANICO SOUTH, has built a new distribution centre for hummel® in Padborg, Denmark. The building was completed in the summer of 2022.

The property was built with sustainability in mind, including solar panels and heat pumps, and has obtained the A2015 energy label, which means that STANICO could obtain a 'green loan' on the property.

The Danish portfolio consists of about 200 leases at 18 different properties in Jutland, Funen and Zealand.

## **COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION**

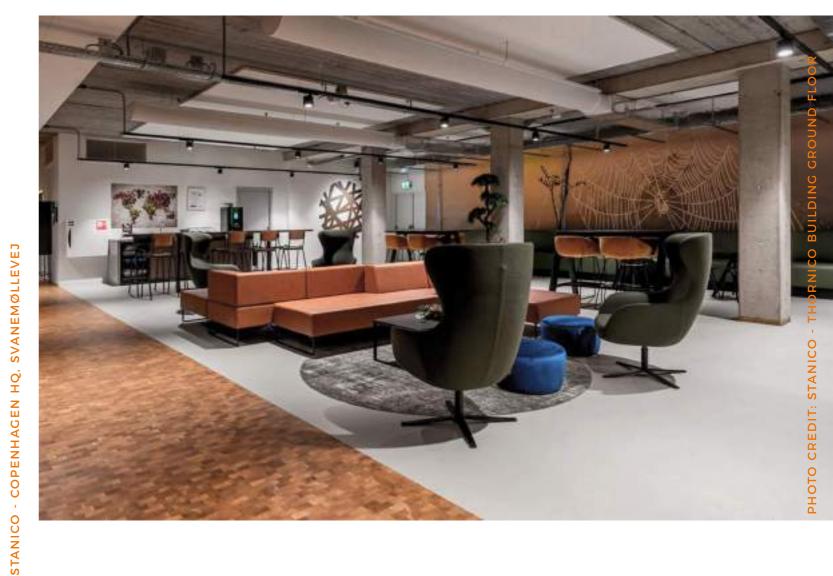
Stanico has transformed grey concrete into living greenery in its Rotterdam properties and will continue to do so in the future. With these efforts, STANICO is working to improve the environment both inside the building and outside in the urban environment.

In 2021, STANICO initiated various studies on sustainable and green measures for its property portfolio in Denmark. It is a long-term process which is still ongoing. However, STANICO has decided on concrete sustainable measures for some of the properties described in this Company Karma Report. report.

STANICO is a small organisation when it comes to employees. As mentioned above, STANICO has its administration in both Rotterdam, the Netherlands and in Odense, Denmark which means that the responsibility regarding Company Karma and related sustainable activities lies in both countries, though the overall responsibility is placed at the CEO level. Due to few employees and a flat organisational structure, the relevant Company Karma focus areas are assessed and discussed through continuous communication and at meetings throughout the year in line with other business activities.

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## **STANICO**

## Material Karma Topics

T n STANICO, an assessment of material and significant ▲ karma topics was revised in 2021. The material topics are the ones considered the most important for reflecting STANICO's impact on 'Human', 'Globe' and 'Economy' from a stakeholder perspective as well as for the company itself. The identified material topics for STANICO lie within 'globe' since that is where the real estate business has the highest impact. According to The European Commission, buildings are responsible for approximately 40% of the energy consumption and 36% of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the EU (https://commission.europa. eu/news/focus-energy-efficiency-buildings-2020-02-17\_

**T** n addition to STANICO's material and significant ■ topics listed below – another topic to be considered is liveability. For STANICO, liveability is a material topic when conducting business in the real estate world.

Tn STANICO, it is about having a local approach **⊥** improving liveability in and around its properties with a sustainable strategy. For STANICO, liveability is a combination of social, cultural and physical parameters where each one is essential for the living conditions for the people living in and around the cities.

## STANICO'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX



## MATRIALITY-RELATED TOPICS

- 1. Access to products and services through fair price determination
- 4. Respect for privacy/handling of data
- 11. Non-discrimination and diversity

## Globe

- 18. Energy consumption and  $CO_2$
- contribution (scope 1, 2, 3)

## Economy (and ethics)



## **STANICO**

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Reporting Period 2022

## TARGETS KPI ACTIONS RESULTS

KPI 1 - Reduce energy	Aiming at higher/hetter	Installed more LEDs and	The energy consumption
consumption (electricity) by	Aiming at higher/better energy labels before 2030.	improved AC systems.	decreased by approximately
(previously 3%) now 10% in	energy labels before 2030.	improved AC systems.	7% in 2022 compared to 2018.
2023 compared to 2018			7 % III 2022 compared to 2018.
2023 compared to 2018			
UN Sustainable			
Development Goal (SDG) #11			
Development doar (5Dd) #11			
KPI 2 - (Plastic) waste	Correct sorting of plastic	By the end of 2021, STANICO	In 2022, 193 tons of waste
management	and other polluting waste.	installed a large container	were sorted in the container
		on its Danish property at	at Fuglebækvej.
UN SDG #12		Fuglebækvej, which its	-
		almost 60 tenants can go	STANICO will follow the
		into and sort their waste into	development in the coming
		different fractions.	years for possible further
			measures.
		In the Netherlands,	
		STANICO installed three	
		small containers inside the	
		building. One for light bulbs/	
		tubes, one for batteries and	
		small electric devices and	
		one for toner cartridges.	
KPI 3 - Promoting	Improve and maintain	An ongoing process of	Due to COVID-19 restrictions,
more sustainable and	STANICO's green and	improving and maintaining	all STANICO's planned
environmental initiatives.	sustainable Company Karma	STANICO's green projects.	events were cancelled in 2021
<b>Encouraging citizens</b>	project in Rotterdam as	The green parking house,	and 2022.
and businesses to take	well as other sustainable	green rooftops and	
a responsible attitude	initiatives across STANICO's	especially STANICO's	
towards the urban	properties.	bees. Normally, STANICO	
environment and turning		hosts cultural events	
concrete into living green in		promoting its sustainable	
Rotterdam.		and urban environment on	
		the THORNICO Building	
UN SDGs #11 and #13		in Rotterdam, but due to	
		COVID-19 that was not	
		possible in 2021 and 2022.	



## **KPI 1 - UN SDG #11**

**F**or many years, STANICO has already, when applicable, changed all building-related systems into energy-saving systems and will continue to do so in the years ahead.

 $\prod$  n STANICO's main properties, the energy labels in the Netherlands have been improved from D to C (THORNICO Building) and directly to an A label for the building THORNICO T(W)O.

In Denmark, the energy label for Fuglebækvej 1-3, which STANICO bought in 2019, has been renewed, and STANICO went from an F energy label in 2016 to a C label in 2022.

It is an important benchmark for the future to improve the energy labels for STANICO's portfolio. A higher/better energy label covers the entire demand as such and is ultimately the real benchmark for its overall Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) qualification.

TANICO is mainly dependent on the cooperation with its tenants in all properties when it comes to energy saving. Again, in the year 2022, STANICO saw significant results in saving electricity. Compared to 2018, STANICO

reduced the annual kWh consumption by a total of almost 7% for both countries, from 1,671,317 kWh in 2018 to 1,552,075 kWh in 2022. In comparison to 2021, where the total electricity consumption was 1,537,970 kWh, there has been a small increase in the electricity consumption in 2022 of approximately 1.5%, which is primarily due to the improved occupancy of the Dutch building and thus more 'traffic' in the building.

In both the Netherlands and Denmark, work will continue in 2023 with sustainable solutions that can reduce electricity consumption. In the Netherlands, there is, among other things, a planned replacement of the lighting in the lift lobbies and all 60 toilet groups, and renovation of several office units is also planned.

In Denmark, it has been decided to install solar panels on the properties at Fuglebækvej. Investigations into how large a system can be installed are underway. In addition, STANICO is looking into the possibilities for charging stations for electric cars on the same properties.

S TANICO will continue to look into the possibilities of more sustainable solutions in its properties. Such investments will be made from the year 2023 onwards in those properties where it will be profitable and sustainable



**E** ver since STANICO started working with its sustainable strategy many years ago – all that matters is that its sustainable Company Karma Strategy will continue to be a part of its decision-making and process. STANICO will continue, where possible, to always choose sustainable solutions.

## **KPI 2 -UN SDG #12**

BUILDING, ROTTERDAM

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As a proprietor, STANICO needs to inform its tenants and keep them focused on their responsibilities. STANICO has to facilitate its tenants where possible/ feasible by, e.g. providing information, sufficient waste facilities, etc. to secure sustainable behaviour amongst its tenants. This is STANICO's take on tapping into the UN SDG #12 by applying a more sustainable consumption and waste handling strategy in the STANICO properties.

In the Netherlands, the authorities are not as advanced as in Denmark when it comes to waste sorting.

The property in the Netherlands is equipped with four underground waste containers for general waste, each of a size of 5,000 litres and two containers

for paper and cardboard, each of a size of 1,500 litres. They are all emptied twice a week. The municipality has installed a glass container next to the building. The costs for these containers are covered in the service charges, including a certain amount as environmental contribution, and are paid for by the tenant individually. The restaurant tenants in the property dispose of food/kitchen waste themselves.

In Denmark, commercial tenants must pay to dispose of their own waste. In the biggest properties, STANICO takes care of the waste management to prevent all tenants from having containers on the property. In Denmark, new legislation came into force from 2021 resulting in STANICO having to further fine-tune the waste management in its properties. At the end of 2021, a big container was, therefore, installed on its largest property where tenants can go in and sort into different types of waste, from plastic, bottles, batteries, electronics to residual waste, etc.

In 2022, 193 tons of waste were sorted in the container at Fuglebækvej. The following fractions were sorted:

WASTE FRACTIONS	2022
	Tons
Residual waste	170,570
Bottles/glas	0.255
Biowaste	0.970
Carboard	16,940
Paper	0.110
Soft clear PE plastic	0.045
Iron	0.566
Cables	0.082
Hard plastic	0.110
Cool/freeze furniture	3,000
Eletronics with screens	0.437
Packaging plastic/food cartons	0.386
IN TOTAL	193,471







A the Danish residential properties, it is paid through the property taxes so that the municipalities ensure correct waste management. In Aarhus, the municipality has introduced a new way of sorting waste -previously the Aarhus residents had containers standing in the yard for household waste and paper/cardboard, but now small recycling stations have been installed around the city centre. The buried waste containers are used by many, and they are very smart because they can hold large amounts of waste underground. They are arranged in groups which make it easy to sort the waste, for example glass, metal, plastic, cardboard, paper and residual waste.

## KPI 3 -UN SDGS #11 & #13

Due to COVID-19, STANICO has had to fine-tune its focus both in 2021 and in 2022. All events that STANICO planned to host were cancelled. Its efforts planned back in 2021 when it comes to e.g. waste management are, therefore, pending.

## CO2-EMISSION

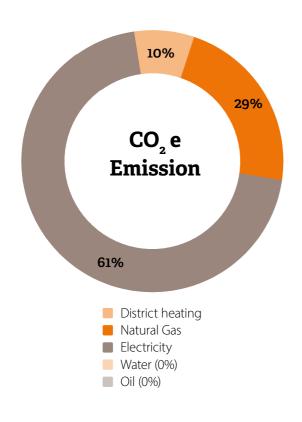
In 2021, STANICO started measuring and mapping its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from energy consumption, and for now, Scopes 1 and 2 have been included with 2020 as the baseline year.

 ${\bf S}$  cope 3 includes all indirect emissions that originate from activities outside the company that STANICO does not own or control and are not included in its  ${\rm CO_2}$  accounts.

I n Denmark, STANICO's electricity becomes greener and will be almost  $CO_2$  neutral in 2030. The share of biogas in the gas network will increase towards 2030, which will result in decreasing emissions from natural gas. Source: www.energinet.dk - The Danish Energy Agency's Climate Status and Projection 2021.

I n 2030, STANICO's buildings will emit 549 tons of  $CO_2$ , which is 30% lower than in 2020. The reduction is due to national initiatives that lower electricity and natural gas emissions (the projection is based on the same energy usage in 2030 as in 2020).

#### 2022 CARBON EMISSION FOR STANICO



## STANICO

## Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

TARGETS	KPI	ACTIONS (2023)
1 – Energy consumption (electricity)	Electricity: Reduction of 10%.	Adding additional LEDs/installing
		inculated alaging

KPI 1 – Energy consumption (electricity)	Electricity: Reduction of 10%.	Adding additional LEDs/installing
		insulated glazing.
CO2 reduction (baseline 2021)	CO2: Reduction of 40-50% by 2028 for	
	both NL and DK.	In 2023, STANICO will continue to look
UN SDG #11		into the possibilities of solar panels,
		charging stations for electric cars and
		other sustainable initiatives on the
		Danish properties.
KPI 2 – (Plastic) waste management	Correct sorting of waste in general.	Waste management: Installing separate
		containers on the Danish properties and
UN SDG #12		ensuring overall correct waste disposal
		and recycling of all possible waste.
KPI 3 – Promoting more sustainable and	Improve and maintain its green and	Hosting different sustainable and
environmental initiatives.	sustainable Company Karma Project in	cultural events in Rotterdam.
	Rotterdam as well as other sustainable	
Encouraging citizens and businesses	initiatives across STANICO's properties	Implement more biodiversity on the
to take a responsible attitude towards	to support and increase biodiversity.	Danish properties
the urban environment and turning		
concrete into living green in Rotterdam.		
UN SDGs #11 and #13		

KPI 1:

 $\prod_{i=1}^{N} n_i = 1$  addition to STANICO'S KPI to reduce the buildings' electricity consumption as part of its 'Southampton Strategy 2028' STANICO has set an ambitious yet reachable goal to reduce the buildings' total  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions by 40-50% by the year 2028, which must be achieved through sustainable measures mentioned in this Company Karma Report.

KPI 2:

STANICO will continue to encourage its tenants to sort waste and provide necessary sorting stations where it makes sense and where the authorities are also ready to handle the further waste management.

KPI 3:

In 2023, after two years of cancellations, STANICO will once again host various sustainable and cultural events in Rotterdam as well as maintain and improve the green roof and facades.

**PLANNED** 

n the Danish properties, STANICO will focus on and implement more biodiversity, starting in 2023. The plan, so far, is to partner up with local conservationists to help screen outdoor areas of the STANICO properties and establish projects that promote biodiversity.

Stanico's previous 3% goal has been adjusted based on the actual data. With the ongoing efforts in reducing electricity consumption, it is realistic and feasible to go for a reduction of 10% towards 2023 - especially since STANICO will continue to install LEDs, etc. Also, it will be realistic to plan to obtain better energy certificates for the future.

## **STANICO**

## Company Karma Project

## **GREEN REAL ESTATE**

ne of the big challenges ahead for the planet is overpopulation. It took us 10,000 generations to reach the current world population of over 7.9 billion, yet it will only take one generation to reach the 9 billion mark. In addition, more than half of the world population is living in urban areas. As a result of this, urbanisation has become synonymous with increasing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and polluted air, and the need for taking care of our environment is more pressing than ever.

T n an attempt to contribute to the reduction of CO. ■ in cities, STANICO has decided to embark on a green expedition in the core of the company – the THORNICO Building and the THORNICO T(W)O in Rotterdam. The aim of the project is to transform grey concrete into a green urban environment which has been initiated by planting moss and succulent plants on the rooftops of the two towers of the building. Today, the roofs function as green filters trapping particulates and CO2, which has resulted in a considerable improvement in the air quality. As a further benefit, the sedum roofs also work as an excellent insulator leading to substantial energy saving. The green rooftops have, subsequently, been accompanied by three separate beehives housing around 120,000 of some of Europe's highest living urban bees that have helped bring more flowers and birds to the neighbourhood not to mention delicious honey!

Another project, which has literally given the THORNICO Building a green profile, is the 'Green Park'. The project includes covering the 5,000 square metres of facade of the THORNICO Building's car parking facilities with ivy, thus making a fully-grown living green wall that has the same filtering effect as 200 mature trees. In fact, it has become one of the largest vertical green walls in Europe, and consequently, an inspirational source for sustainable thinking and a landmark for Rotterdam. Besides this filtering effect, the green facade also counterworks the urban heat effect in the city by reducing radiant heat and relieving the overburdened sewer system when rainwater is retained to irrigate the plants.

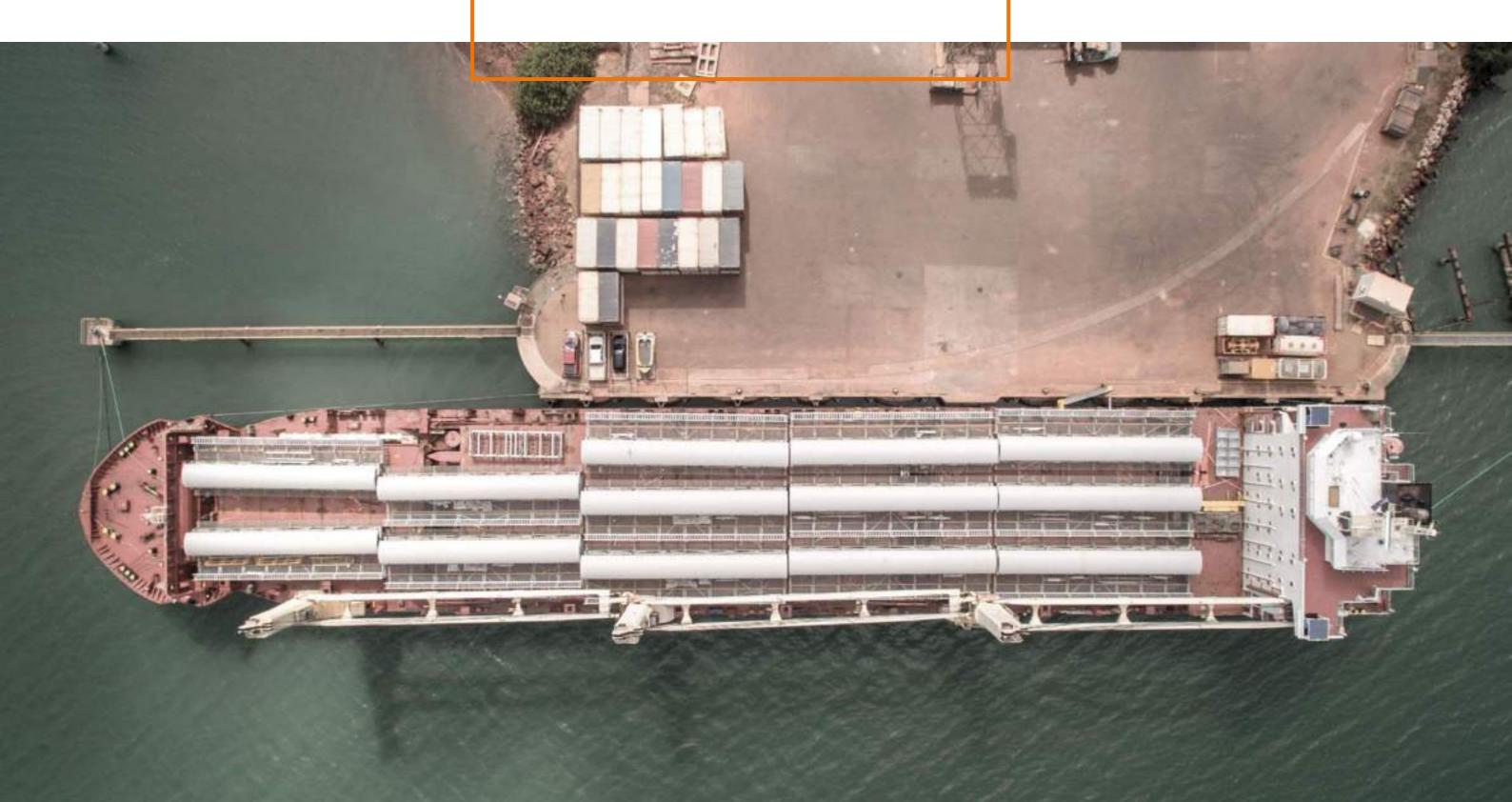
The THORNICO Building, the Company Karma philosophy and the people behind it are gradually being considered as Corporate Social Responsibility landmarks in the city of Rotterdam, and STANICO is happy to continuously promote a more sustainable way of thinking real estate. The popularity of the buildings also bring initiatives like cultural festivals with thousands of visitors to the rooftops of the THORNICO Building. In STANICO, these are important steps towards liveability, and the benefits of the green initiatives will continuously be enjoyed by the company and its surrounding community.



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# ABOUT THORCO PROJECTS

THORCO PROJECTS delivers innovative and highly efficient sea transport solutions within the multipurpose, projects and dry bulk segments.

THORCO PROJECTS operates from an asset light business model.

 $\mathbf{B}$  y the end of 2021, THORCO PROJECTS operated a fleet of 40 modern and highly diversified vessels with the necessary design, configuration and lifting capacity able to handle even unusually large and heavy cargo.

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orporate Social Responsibility (CSR), including health, security, environment and quality involved in its business, are essential to THORCO PROJECTS and to the way it conducts business.

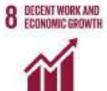
## **COMPANY KARMA ORGANISATION**

A spart of the THORNICO Group, THORCO PROJECTS practices Company Karma. As is the case in the THORNICO Group and all the different companies, it strives to 'do good' while doing business - a way to create more value for society, however, also for the company itself.

In order to generate a daily commitment to Company Karma and ensure awareness of the corporate responsibilities, THORCO PROJECTS has appointed a responsible Company Karma person from the management team participating in the THORNICO Karma Committee and implemented a set of guiding policies called 'Company Karma Policies' developed in cooperation with the THORNICO Group.

T HORCO management maintains its focus area as set out in 2019 which is to relate and follow the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

#8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
#13 CLIMATE ACTION
#14 LIFE BELOW WATER









## THORCO PROJECTS

## Material Karma Topics

T he material and significant topics relating to the mentioned SDGs are to secure a decent work climate both on land and at sea while increasing economic growth and profits. Furthermore, THORCO PROJECTS has taken actions to reduce its  $CO_2$ ,  $SO_x$  (sulphur oxides) and  $NO_x$  (nitrogen oxides) levels.

Human is THORCO PROJECTS' devotion to the well-being of the people working with and around it. THORCO PROJECTS is committed to supporting the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights both with respect to employees and partners, but also on a larger societal level. Furthermore, THORCO PROJECTS is committed to the fundamental principles and rights of labour and workplace, thus, working hard to establish a safe, fair and healthy work environment that motivates the people who constitute the backbone of the company.

Globe is THORCO PROJECTS' commitment facing some of the environmental challenges that are constantly threatening the world we live in. Our globe is constantly confronted with environmental challenges, and global warming, urbanisation, lack of renewable energy sources and overpopulation have all become the natural course of our lives on Earth. Within the principles of globe, THORCO PROJECTS takes great measures to secure a precautionary approach to these challenges and strives to minimise any negative environmental impact it might have.

 $\mathbf{E}_{ ext{conomy}}$  is THORCO PROJECTS' dedication to conduct its business activities in a sustainable way

dissociating the company from any illegal, corrupt and oppressing actions that hinder or create disproportionate economic growth of society.

THORCO PROJECTS has a zero tolerance for corruption and bribery. It is well known that such can occur in international business and in the shipping industry. Internal guidelines prescribe that all business be conducted only with approved partners who are not represented on the OPEC (Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries) and EU Sanctions Lists.

It is the policy of THORCO PROJECTS to conduct all business activities responsibly ensuring the health, safety and security of people, the preservation of the environment and the quality of its services. To fulfil this business ethic, THORCO PROJECTS utilises Health, Safety, Environmental and Quality (HSEQ) Management Systems. In this way, THORCO PROJECTS always secures comprehensive and systematic planning and assessment of the dangers and risks of its activities across the entire value chain.

THORCO PROJECTS' careful approach enables it to deliver the best service and the highest quality at every shipment. Whether ashore or at sea, risk assessment is an inherent part of its way of conducting business. Through its HSEQ strategy, THORCO PROJECTS thus commits itself to continuously act in a safe, ethical, environmentally sound and legitimate manner meeting both regulatory requirements and all its stakeholders' expectations.

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THORCO PROJECT'S - MATERIALITY MATRIX



**COMPANY IMPACT** 

## MATERIALITY-RELATED TOPICS

#### Human

- 4. Respect for privacy/handling of data
- . Empowermen
- Access to health compensation regarding sickness, maternity/paternity leave and work-related injuries
- 13. Working hours and compensation for
- 14. Safe and healthy working environment

#### Globe

- Energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> contribution (scope 1, 2, 3)
- 19. Water consumption
- 23. Emission of SO<sub>x</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>
- 29. Wastewater quantity and quality

## **Economy (and ethics)**

- 39. Responsible supply management
- 42. Responsible business conduct
- 43. Responsible tax poli
- 44. Facilitation payments
- 45. Extortion and exploitation (corruption)
- 49. Quality management

## THORCO PROJECTS

CSR Risk Management

 $B^{
m eing}$  involved in international shipping, THORCO PROJECTS has to deal with several Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) risks where the material risks are like follows:

- 1.  $CO_2$  emissions and other environmental impacts of its business
- 2. Compliance with international law and sanctions (Know Your Customer (KYC) and Vendor management)
- 3. Health, Safety, Environment and Quality (HSEQ)
- 4. Corruption and bribery
- 5. GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)

To mitigate the risks of a negative outcome of the aboverisks, THORCO PROJECTS:

- 1. Has implemented and is in compliance with the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) 2020 sulphur cap regulations.
- 2. Performs KYC checks on all vendors and clients.
- 3. Has HSEQ manual and procedures in place.
- 4. Has Code of Conduct in place and makes sure all employees are informed about it and are in compliance.
- 5. Has run a training program making all employees aware of the GDPR regulation and makes sure they are compliant.



## THORCO PROJECTS

Targets and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Reporting Period 2022

TARGETS	KPI	ACTIONS	RESULTS
Reduce carbon footprint	Year-Over-Year change in %.	Emission compensation	29% total reduction in Scope
(Scope 1) by 15% on a yearly		initiates reducing carbon	1 from 2021/2022.
basis from 2021.		footprint such as but not	
		limited to participating in	The target for 2022 has been
SDGs #13 and #14		planting trees initiatives or	met.
		buying CO2 credits, etc.	

The worldwide shipping companies account for approx. 6% of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the world. However, there is a strong push in the industry to decrease the carbon footprint where the worldwide IMO 2020 regulations effective from 1 January 2020 put a cap on sulphur content in fuel oil at 0.5%. This will reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fuel oil burned by vessels by approx. 70% (https://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/pages/02-IMO-2020.aspx).

Being in the global shipping business, THORCO PROJECTS consumes several thousand tons of bunker fuel each year as part of its main activity ship operation. Due to the highly competitive shipping market and the global availability of fuel products in general, a high focus on fuel economy is necessary. Fortunately, the IMO 2020 Fuel Regulation, amongst other environmentally friendly regulations, forces the entire industry into a greener direction with lower

carbon emissions from operations.

I n 2022, THORCO PROJECTS initiated mapping the  $CO_2$  equivalents related to its activities. The calculations of  $CO_2$  equivalents have been carried out according to the GHG protocol and in collaboration with the external consultancy Viegand Maagøe. The initial mapping includes Scopes 1, 2 and 3.

The target to reduce carbon footprint (Scope 1) by 15% on a yearly basis from 2021 has been met with a reduction of a total of 29% in Scope 1. The reduction is primarily due to reduced activities.

The previous KPI from 2021 with regard to 'reducing seamen incidents to zero on THORCO PROJECTS shipments by 2023. (SDG #8)' is not relevant since THORCO PROJECTS no longer owns any ships and operates from an asset light business model.

## THORCO PROJECTS

Targets for the Coming Period (2023-)

**TARGETS** 

**KPI** 

PLANNED
ACTIONS (2023)

Follow the IMO initiatives using the compliant fuels and ships accepted in the international shipping business

Reduce CO2 emissions per transport in line with IMO's strategy on reduction of CGG (meaning geophysical services company) emissions from ships. Follow initiatives taken by IMO to utilise cleaner fuels and renew the world fleet more energy-efficiently. This will lead to ships and fuels used by the company with lower emissions.

T he Initial IMO GHG Strategy objective is a 40% reduction of  $\rm CO_2$  emissions per transport work in 2030 compared to 2008 on average across international shipping. In 2050, the goal is to reduce the total annual GHG emissions by 50% and  $\rm CO_2$  emissions per transport work by 70% compared to 2008 while pursuing to phase

them out. This would be a step to reduce  $\mathrm{CO_2}$  emissions in line with the Paris Agreement temperature goals. IMO will complete short term measures and revise the Initial Strategy in 2023. It is THORCO PROJECTS' target to comply with the IMO initiatives in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.





## **CONTACTS**

#### LEARN MORE

With a global span of businesses, THORNICO takes on the responsibility of keeping ourselves on the forefront of sustainable development in many different fields. This is indeed a demanding challenge, and committing to Company Karma is an extensive process that requires the dedication of many employees around the world. You can find further information on the individual group companys' Company Karma Policies and guidelines by visiting the sites below and you can find the THORNICO Policies here

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## Appendix 1

MATERIALITY MATRIX
-RELATED TOPICS FOR
THE THORNICO GROUP

1 H 2 H 3 H 4 H 5 H 6 H 7 H 8 H	Human Human Human Human Human Human	TOPICS Access to products and services through fair price determination Freedom of speech	FOOD TECHNOLOGY SANOVO TECHNOLOGY GROUP	FOOD  Lactosan Group  OVODAN EGG GROUP	REAL ESTATE	SPORT & FASHION	SHIPPING
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2 H 3 H 4 H 5 H 6 H 7 H 8 H	Human Human Human Human Human	Freedom of speech					
3 H 4 H 5 H 6 H 7 H 8 H	Human Human Human Human	-			X	**	
4 H 5 H 6 H 7 H 8 H	Human Human Human					X	
5 H 6 H 7 H 8 H	Human Human	Use of conflict mineral Respect for privacy/handling of data	X		X	X	X
6 H 7 H 8 H	Human	Consideration of religious freedom			ZX	X	A
8 H		Contributing to improved nutrition/health improvement	Х	X			
		Training and continuing education	X	X			
		Impact on local community		X			
		Securing of economic livelihood Use of rural areas					
		Forced reassignment					
		Rights of indigenous people					
	Human	Contributing to inclusive trade (small- and medium-sized suppliers)		X		X	
		Empowerment		X		X	X
		Non-discrimination and diversity	X	X	X	X	
	Human	Equal pay for equal work					
	Human Human	Women's rights Inclusion					
	Human	Access to health compensation regarding sickness, maternity/paternity leave and work-related injuries	X	X		X	x
13 H		Working hours and compensation for overtime work		X		X	X
		Safe and healthy working environment	X	X		X	X
		Freedom of organisation				X	
		Child labour				X	
		Forced labour	V	77	V	X	V
	Globe	Energy consumption and CO <sub>2</sub> contribution (scope 1, 2, 3)  Energy consumption, fossil energy sources	X	X	X	X	X
	Globe	Energy consumption, rossil energy sources  Energy consumption, renewable energy sources			X		
		Water consumption	X	X	A	X	X
_		Consumption of raw material	X	X		25	
<b>20b</b> Gi	Globe	Use of problematic raw materials - e.g. microfibers					
	Globe	Use of rare and/or non-renewable resources (minerals, metals)					
	Globe Globe	Purchase of local/sustainable raw materials  Degree of reutilisation or recycling of raw material consumption (e.g. clothing)				X	
<b>20f</b> Gi	Globe	Degree of use of natural materials (wool, wood, cotton etc.)					
	Globe	Chemical use				X	
<b>22</b> Gi	Globe	Packaging	X	X		X	
<b>22b</b> G	Globe	Plastic use	X	X	X	X	X
	Globe	Optimisation of packaging quantities					
		Emission of SO <sub>x</sub> and NO <sub>x</sub>					X
	Globe Globe	Emission of volatile organic solvents Emission from land-based operations					
		Emission from offshore operations					X
		Solid waste and sorting	X	X		X	
	Globe	Chemical waste					
		Wastewater - quantity and quality	X	X		X	X
		Noise			X		
		Biodiversity impact				X	
		Own transport	V			X	
		Transport within the value chain  Reutilisation of machinery and materials	X			X	
		Buy back scheme	A			Y	
	Economy (and ethics)		X	X		Λ	
	Economy (and ethics)		X	X		X	
		Responsible marketing		X		X	
		Responsible supply management	X	X		X	X
<b>40</b> Ed	Economy (and ethics)	GMO labelling		X			
<b>41</b> Ec	Economy (and ethics)	Animal welfare	X	X		X	
		Responsible business conduct			X		X
		Responsible tax policy					X
		Facilitation payments				X	X
		Extortion and exploitation (corruption)				X	X
46 Ec	Economy (and ethics)	Job creation  Contributing to better utilisation of resources through innovation	X	X			
		Fair competitive conditions	Δ	Δ			
		Quality management	X	X		X	X

