

# Environmental and Energy Policy



ArcelorMittal Belgium develops and produces flat steel in various qualities, coated or uncoated, as well as by-products that arise during the steel production process. This is carried out with attention to all environmental and energy aspects, both during the production process itself and throughout all subsequent and preceding steps in the logistics chain in which ArcelorMittal Belgium is involved.

ArcelorMittal Belgium aims to be a leader in sustainability within the industrial world. 'Environment and Energy' is therefore a strategic pillar of our organization. To continuously improve our operations, we combine the WCM methodology with recognised management systems that comply with the ISO 14001, ISO 50001, and ResponsibleSteel standards.

**For the well-being of current and future generations, we commit to:**

- avoiding nuisance for our neighbours and protecting the environment from pollution.
- achieving maximum energy efficiency in our production processes and reducing our CO<sub>2</sub>-footprint.
- using natural resources and raw materials sustainably and maximising circularity.

**We aim to demonstrate leadership in making steel continuously more sustainable and competitive. Therefore, the management committee asks all employees to integrate the following principles into their work:**

- We place 'sustainable production' at the center and strive for a continuous balance between environment, economy, and social well-being.
- We continuously improve our environmental performance and reduce nuisance as much as possible for our neighbours and the environment. This commitment includes:
  - Acting preventively to avoid environmental incidents as much as possible;
  - Continuously striving for lower air and water emissions;
  - Reducing and preventing noise and vibration nuisance;
  - Avoiding at all times the dumping and discharge of by-products, raw materials, residues, and waste into or onto the soil and nature, into our ditches, sewers, canals, and other surface waters;
  - Ensuring efficient water management with optimal internal recirculation, for which we always pursue continuous improvement;

- Respecting and protecting biodiversity and protected nature within our sphere of influence and continuously striving to reduce and prevent potential negative impacts on this biodiversity.

- We develop and improve production methods with the lowest possible environmental impact, energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and the highest possible recirculation rate.
- We develop and manufacture products with excellent environmental performance, energy efficiency and circularity, in close collaboration with customers and suppliers.
- We carry out all activities with the aim of continuously reducing the specific energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of our processes.
- We maximise the generation of renewable energy at our own sites.
- We engage all employees, especially our management, in environmentally friendly, energy-efficient production and compliance with legal obligations and all other commitments made.
- We promote an environmentally responsible and energy-conscious attitude through information and training and the sharing of best practices. We ensure that we always have the necessary information to achieve our operational objectives.
- We encourage all employees to actively seek improvement opportunities.
- Our management provides the resources needed to achieve the set objectives in the areas of environment, energy & CO<sub>2</sub> and circularity.
- We communicate transparently and openly with all stakeholders.
- Where meaningful or useful for achieving our goals, we establish partnerships with other companies or organizations.

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