

Implementation of the 2017 Environmental Policy Informal update to the Executive Board

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POLICY CONTEXT

WFP CONTEXT

2017 Environmental Policy

Objectives:

- Enhance environmental sustainability of WFP activities and operations
- Reduce and manage environmental risks created by WFP activities and operations
- Reduce WFP's environmental footprint
- Build capacities of partners

Proposed tools:

- Standards, in line with best practices in UN system
- Risk screening of programme activities
- Environmental management system (EMS)



INTER-AGENCY CONTEXT

2007 UN Climate-Neutral Strategy

Basis for emissions tracking and off-setting

2019 UN Sustainability Strategy - Phase I

Commitments and targets for management functions

Greening the Blue

Inter-agency reporting on emissions, water, waste

QCPR monitoring framework

Reporting to UN General Assembly on sustainability

Model Approach to E&S Standards

Basis for WFP standards and safeguards

POLICY IMPLEMENTATION PHASES

Phase I
Development
2017-2018

Phase II
Testing & piloting
2018-2019

Phase III
Implementation
2020-2023

Phase IV
Continued roll-out
2024-onwards

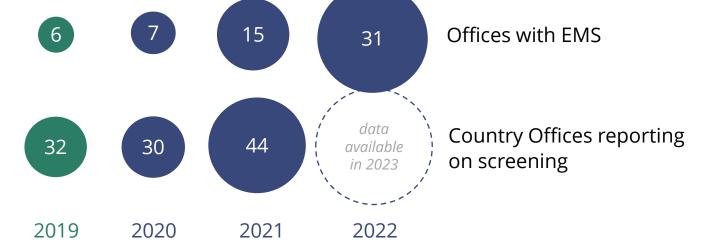
Development of the tools:

- E&S standards
- E&S safeguards in programme activities
- Environmental management system (ISO 14001) for in-house functions

- Field testing and fine-tuning of the tools
- Bundled in:
 WFP Environmental and
 Social Sustainability
 Framework (ESSF)

- Formal establishment of ESSF in September 2021
- Recruitment of regional support
- Training of RBx and COs; roll-out in COs





WFP ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY FRAMEWORK (ESSF)

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

applied to in-house operations



Facilities



Human Resources



Information Technology



Travel



Emergency preparedness



Procurement



Logistics

ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL STANDARDS



INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS

ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

applied in programmes



Strategic risk assessment of CSPs



Risk screening of activities



Risk management plans



Community feedback mechanisms

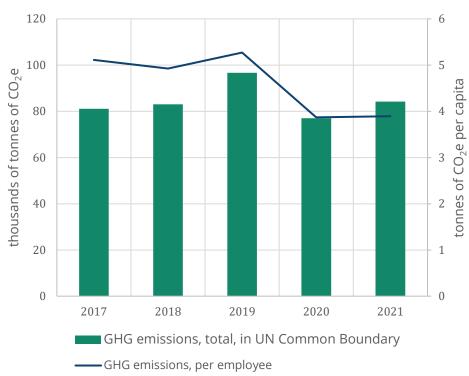
WFP ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

WFP EMISSIONS

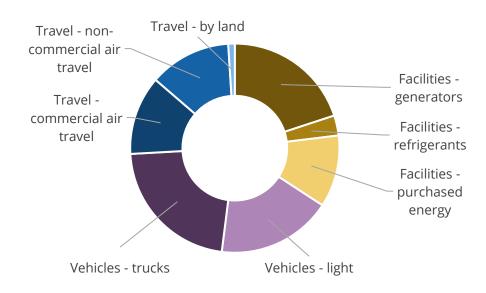
Resulting from facilities, vehicles, travel – i.e. from the 'UN common boundary"

- as reported through *Greening the Blue*





breakdown of 2021 emissions



Note: WFP also reports on waste generation and water consumption in WFP facilities

ENABLING CONDITIONS

MAINSTREAMING IN MANUALS AND GUIDANCE

- Management services manual
- Goods & Services procurement manual
- Programme Guidance Manual
- Emergency Field Operations Pocketbook

MAINSTREAMING IN HR MANAGEMENT

- Training of employees and awareness raising
- Updating job profiles
- Updated Code of Conduct

MAINSTREAMING IN FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

- Long-Term Agreements, e.g. for recycling
- WFP Energy Efficiency Programme (EEP)

MAINSTREAMING IN PLANNING AND REPORTING

- WFP Strategic Plan 2022-2025
- Corporate Results Framework
- 2nd generation CSPs
- Annual Country Reports



ROLL-OUT OF EMS IN OFFICES

EMS launch mission

RB engages remotely with country office

Site assessments; visits to potential local partners

Development of **EMS action plan**

Implementation of EMS action plan with technical support from RB/HQ

as of Nov 2022



EMS action plan:

- Objectives in different thematic areas
- Timeline
- Roles and responsibilities

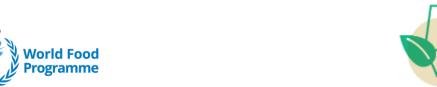
energy

waste

water

sustainable procurement

awareness & training















SUPPLY CHAIN - 1

WFP AVIATION

- Aviation Service Environmental and Sustainability Programme (we measure, we reduce, we offset)
- Environmental KPIs established and CO₂ emissions
- Environmental clauses in agreements with air operators, ground handling, fuel providers
- Waste management procedures aligned with international best practices

WFP GLOBAL FLEET

- Training on eco-driving and vehicle maintenance
- Tracking and monitoring through GPS system for accuracy of CO₂ emission calculation and implementation of fuelefficiency measures
- Global Fleet Hazardous Waste Management Booklet

WFP SHIPPING

- Rigorous vetting of all charted ships for compliance with international standards
- Switching to lowsulphur fuel across its fleet as required by IMO standards



SUPPLY CHAIN - 2

PROCUREMENT

- Procurement Manual which includes a repository of sustainability criteria and specifications for purchased goods and services
- Substantial increase in local and regional procurement
- 100% of palm oil procured by HQ is RSPO certified; 87% certified as fully sustainable

PACKAGING

- Testing new solutions with ICRC and UNHCR for alternatives to polypropylene bags
- Partnership with Mondi to enhance packaging solutions
- Joint Initiative for Sustainable Humanitarian Packaging Waste Management

SCOPE-3 EMISSIONS

- Analysis of applicability
 of different
 methodological
 approaches and tools to
 measure scope-3
 emissions
- Pilot scope-3 emissions study in RB Nairobi
- Preliminary discussion with other UN and humanitarian actors for alignment on scope-3 standards



PROGRAMMES

ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

Awareness and training



- 109 trainings provided to Regional Bureaux and Country Offices
- Over 1000 participants reached
- Higher outreach in regions with regional safeguards advisor





Uptake in programmes



- In 2021, 44 COs reported on screening
- Increase in number of screened CSP activities, yet still below target
- Screening is prevalent in asset creation activities and climate adaptation activities





PARTNERS & ENTERPRISE RISK

AGREEMENTS WITH PARTNERS

- Field Level Agreement (FLA) template integrates
 WFP's standards and safeguards compliance requirements
- Tender processes for construction contracts started including WFP's standards and safeguards
- ESSF positioned in agreements with bilateral and multilateral donors for sustainability of programme activities



ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT



- By design, the ESSF is aligned with the '3 lines model' of enterprise risk management
- Major environmental/social risks can be included in risk registers



FUNDING & STAFFING

- In 2017, the policy was presented to the EB without a costed implementation plan
- In 2017-2021, the cost of the implementation of the policy was borne mainly by *extrabudgetary* (non-PSA) funding
- In 2022, most employees are covered by the Management Plan
- In 2023, the Critical Corporate Initiative (a oneoff investment), will support mainstreaming safeguards as cross-cutting priority
- In 2024, key positions in the six regional bureaux and at HQ need to be mainstreamed and funded from PSA budget





NEXT STEPS

WFP ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN OF ACTION 2030 ('EPACT')

Finalize EPACT with commitments and targets based on UN Sustainability Strategy. Examples of commitments:

- o Overall GHG emissions from UN common Boundary: -45%
- o Corporate waste tracking system for food packaging, e-waste, and other major waste streams
- Elimination of the open burning of waste in all locations

EMISSIONS OUTSIDE 'UN COMMON BOUNDARY'

In collaboration with ICRC and other actors, explore if, and how, to estimate emissions from all 'scopes'

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

Safeguards effectively incorporated in all programme areas; support structure operational

EVALUATION OF THE POLICY

Policy up for evaluation in 2023-2024, to be confirmed by Office of Evaluation



Time for Q&As



ACRONYMS

CO Country Office

CSP Country Strategic Plan

EEP WFP Energy Efficiency Programme

EMS Environmental Management System

ESSF WFP Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework

FLA Field Level Agreement

GPS Global Positioning System

HR Human Resources

ICRC International Committee of the Red Cross

IMO International Maritime Organization

ISO International Organization for Standardization

IT Information Technology

KPI Key Performance Indicator

RB Regional Bureau

RSPO Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil

UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

