

## Environmental Charter

Each Group company will be responsible for the implementation of this policy in compliance with applicable local laws and within the framework of its corporate legal independence.

The environment policy, which must be followed by each Group company, is that:

- Aliaxis Group adheres to the Sustainable Development principles, which aim to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
- Aliaxis Group adheres to the values of the Heidelberg Appeal<sup>1</sup>, which states that such Sustainable Development cannot be obtained without industrial progress and without a scientific ecology based on scientific criteria rather than irrational assumptions.
- Aliaxis Group considers that care for the environment is a priority, which also covers some aspects of the occupational health and safety of its employees, relations with users, neighbours and the general public as well as the impact on the environment of its activities.
- Aliaxis Group is eager to put its convictions into practice in each country where its companies are located and for all activities in which they are involved.
- Aliaxis Group is eager to inform all interested parties in a transparent manner in matters concerning the environment.

Hence, this Charter based on six action principles applies to each Group company.

1. To adopt, on each production site, a policy ensuring not only the strict application of the Local Regulation<sup>2</sup>, but also a continuous search for improved performance in terms of Environment by:
  - Using the best practically available technologies,
  - Gradually introducing environmental management systems (such as ISO 14001) or systems based on the same principles and integrating Quality,
2. To design, in our activities, products which contribute, by their own functions, to the protection of environment.
3. To implement, in respect of manufactured products, Research and Development programs aimed at the continuous reduction of their environmental impact assessed on their entire life cycle from “cradle to grave”.
4. To cooperate with all our partners (suppliers, users, public authorities, etc.) to ensure that a responsible attitude is promoted and developed at all stages of the product life cycle and particularly at the end of life.
5. To provide relevant information about environmental performance of production sites and manufactured products with a continuous concern for objectivity based on business practices.
6. To participate in the various organisations involved in the definition of ambitious future targets for activities in which Aliaxis Group is involved, as well as in the evolution of standards and regulation which structure these activities.

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<sup>1</sup> Launched during the Rio Conference by some renowned scientists, this appeal (Heidelberg – 14/04/1992) has been supported by more than 3.500 scientists of which 72 Nobel prizes.

<sup>2</sup> The environmental local regulations in a given country (the Local Regulation) used as reference are based on the standards of the national regulations applicable in such country or on the Group's standards whichever is the highest.