

FOUNDATION POLICY

Environment

Tata Steel Europe Group Policy Statement - Environment

Tata Steel Europe Group is committed to meeting the requirements of relevant legislation in the countries and regions in which it operates, to the efficient use of natural resources and energy, and to reducing continuously the environmental impact of its operations and products through the adoption of sustainable practices. These commitments are integral to the way Tata Steel Europe Group does business and they contribute to the vision of Tata Steel Europe Group to be the world steel industry benchmark for value creation and corporate citizenship.

Policy Principles

In implementing the Policy the following key principles will be demonstrated:

1. Management systems

Effective environmental and energy management systems will be implemented and maintained, and these will ensure the environmental awareness of the workforce, encouraging every employee to act in an environmentally responsible manner.

2. Continuous improvement

The environmental impact of processes and products will be assessed and continuous improvement objectives and targets will be established to prevent and reduce emissions and releases, minimise waste and control noise. This will be achieved through process optimisation and through research, development and deployment of new technologies where opportunities present themselves.

3. Climate change

Tata Steel Europe Group will be part of the solution to climate change and will achieve a leading position within the steel industry by minimising its greenhouse gas emissions, researching breakthrough technologies and developing products that help to reduce emissions from the rest of society.

4. Responsible use of resources

Efficient use will be made of energy, raw materials and water through adoption and sharing of good practice.

5. Product stewardship

The reuse and recycling of Tata Steel Europe Group products will be promoted and the environmental effects of products throughout their life-cycle communicated to customers.

6. Monitoring and reporting

Environmental and energy performance will be monitored and audited and progress in meeting high-level Policy objectives and improvement targets will be reported publicly.

7. Responsible procurement

Key suppliers and contractors will be encouraged to behave in an environmentally responsible manner and to abide by principles similar to those set out within this policy.

8. Local communities

Communities in the locality of its sites will be actively engaged by Tata Steel Europe Group so that it can understand and seek to address their concerns in relation to environmental issues.

9. Biodiversity

Wildlife habitats in and around Tata Steel Europe Group sites will be respected and, where opportunities arise to do so in a way that is conducive to business operations, they will be progressively enhanced for the benefit of nature.