

# OUR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY



## OUR COMMITMENT

The GICHD adopted its first ever Environmental Policy in June 2020, reviewed in January 2023.

We are committed to reducing the environmental impact of our own activities as well as promoting environmentally sustainable mine action practices. **Our objective is:**

TO REDUCE CARBON  
EMISSIONS **BY 5% EVERY**  
**YEAR**, AND REACH CARBON  
NEUTRALITY **BY 2050**

## ALIGNMENT

Our 2023-2026 Strategy commits to integrate environmental considerations in all aspects of our work. [The Strategy's Institutional Pillar](#) includes a specific output on our carbon footprint (output 3.3).

## AREAS OF FOCUS

Our environmental policy focuses on four main aspects, by committing to reduce carbon emissions related to:



Mobility, including commuting and business travel



Energy consumption, including electricity consumed by the GICHD's office

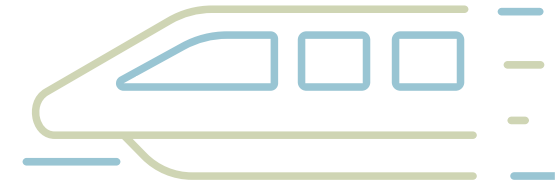


Consumables and food, including all office supplies, waste management and food (served in our events and private meals consumed during working hours)



The policy also addresses how we can better promote and mainstream environmentally sound practices throughout mine action, as per IMAS 07.13.

# FOCUS ON MOBILITY



## BUSINESS TRAVEL

Business travel is a key enabler for the GICHD to fulfil its role. To reduce carbon emissions related to mobility, which is our main source of emissions, we will adapt our planning and engage partners, in line with the following principles:

- **Travel based on emissions.** We encourage the use of train, and the use of airline companies that use sustainable practices
- **Hybrid meetings.** We will prioritise virtual or hybrid formats, when possible and appropriate
- **National partners.** We will work more with national consultants and conduct training of trainers in relevant countries and regions
- **Smart travel.** We will optimise travel, by coupling trips and organising regional workshops when possible
- **Delegations.** We will optimise our delegations by maximising members' roles and responsibilities
- **Carbon offsetting.** When air travel is inevitable, we will carbon offset all flights
- **Soft mobility.** We will prioritise soft mobility and public transportation while on trips



## COMMUTING

- **Working from home.** We are committed to facilitating flexible work arrangements
- **Soft mobility.** The GICHD encourages staff to cycle, use scooters, walk, and use public transport or train, where possible.
- **Carpooling.** The GICHD encourages staff to explore carpooling options, when commuting by car is inevitable.

