

OMNIA'S SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY CONTINUED

APPROACH TO SUSTAINABILITY

Omnia's approach to sustainability is informed by international guidelines and leading practices, the South African Companies Act, 2008 (Act No 71 of 2008), (as amended), the King Code of Corporate Governance for South Africa of 2009 (King III), the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) and the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). Omnia has again been admitted to the JSE's Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) Index.

The Group uses financial and non-financial key performance indicators (KPIs) and quantitative and qualitative factors to measure progress in implementing its strategy.

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WIDER GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES

Omnia recognises the role it must play in helping to address the wider global sustainability issues of energy, consumption, climate change, water scarcity and food security.

ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Global population growth, combined with improving living standards, has created substantial increases in energy demand, which, in turn, have lifted greenhouse gas emissions in the atmosphere to record, unacceptable highs.

In response to this challenge, Omnia:

- Uses best-in-class technology to reduce carbon emissions from its operations
- Continually seeks ways to reduce energy consumption and optimise the efficiency of existing and future processes that consume energy
- Actively supports the drive to develop sources of alternative and renewable energy, including biofuels



WATER SCARCITY

Water is becoming scarcer, the quality is deteriorating and unsustainable water use is rising as a result of expanding populations, increasing standards of living and inefficient agriculture and industry practices.

In response to this challenge, Omnia:

- continuously looks for further opportunities to improve and promote the efficient use of water resources by investing in businesses that are water wise
- optimises the Group's own water use by reducing, reusing, improving quality, managing effluent and limiting pollution
- provides advice to customers on the conservation and efficient use of water
- uses research and development to formulate fertilizer products that require less water to function effectively

FOOD SECURITY

There is increasing concern around food security as food production fails to meet escalating demand caused by global population growth, changing dietary habits in developing economies, increasing urbanisation and the declining availability of arable land and water.

South Africa has been a net importer of food since 2000, and innovative approaches are required to remedy the shortfall in food production.

In response to this challenge, the Agriculture division has, through its Omnia Nutriology® model, developed a plan to support the pillars of modern, sustainable agriculture. This entails the use of a large team of agronomic specialists supported by competent technological services and a world-class laboratory located at the Sasolburg factory for research and development.

The Agriculture division also:

- continuously invests in programmes that enhance nutrient and water-use efficiencies
- develops and deploys new agronomic techniques and fertilizer products that help increase crop yields and quality
- advises on good farming practices to conserve water and prevent soil erosion
- has a dedicated unit focused on emerging farmers to assist them in becoming self-sufficient commercial farmers over a period of time

GOVERNANCE OF SUSTAINABILITY

Omnia's Board of directors ("the board") is ultimately responsible for the key governance processes and sustainable growth, performance and affairs of the Group. The board delegates to the social, ethics and risk committee, its responsibility for monitoring and managing the Group's social and economic development, good corporate citizenship (including the promotion of equality and environmental, health and public safety), good labour conditions and sound business ethics.

SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

Omnia subscribes to the vision that disclosure on socio-economic and environmental performance is as relevant as financial reporting.

The board accepts its duty to present a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's position in reporting to stakeholders. Greater demand for transparency and accountability regarding non-financial matters is always taken into account. All stakeholders with a legitimate interest in the Group's affairs can obtain full, fair and frank accounts of Omnia's performance. The Group makes every effort to ensure that information is distributed via a broad range of communication channels and takes care that critical information reaches all stakeholders timeously.

Omnia has reviewed its sustainability reporting processes during the year and has adopted the GRI G4 guidelines in this report. The Group reports in line with the "core" option. At present, only selected non-financial indicators are audited as per the assurance statement on page 63 and 65.

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