

# Welcome to your CDP Forests Questionnaire 2023

## F0. Introduction

### F0.1

#### **(F0.1) Give a general description of and introduction to your organization.**

WACKER is a global company with state-of-the-art specialty chemical products found in countless everyday items, ranging from tile adhesives to solar cells. Our portfolio includes more than 3,200 products supplied in over 100 countries with a total revenue of 8,209.3 Mio € in 2022. Most of our products are based on the main raw materials silicon metal (metallurgical grade), ethylene, methanol, vinyl acetate monomer (VAM) and speciality silanes & siloxanes. Our main customers are in the chemical, construction, electrical, electronics and photovoltaic sectors.

WACKER's integrated global production system consists of 27 production sites with in total 15,725 employees. Ten sites are in Europe, eight in the Americas and nine in Asia. The Group's key production location is Burghausen (Germany).

A key competitive advantage for WACKER is the highly integrated material loops at its major production sites in Burghausen, Nünchritz, Charleston and Zhangjiagang. The basic principle of integrated production is to use the by-products from one stage as starting materials for making other products. The auxiliaries required for this, such as silanes, are recycled in a closed loop. Waste heat from one process is utilized in other chemical processes. Integrated production cuts energy and resource consumption, lastingly improves raw material use and makes environmental protection an intrinsic part of the production process.

Overall, the range of products and services at each of our divisions remained unchanged in 2022. In several application areas, however, we expanded our product portfolio.

#### WACKER SILICONES

is the business division with the broadest range of products. Two raw materials – silicon metal and methanol – are the basis for making over 2,800 silicone products in seven product groups: silanes, siloxanes, silicone fluids, silicone emulsions, silicone elastomers, silicone resins and pyrogenic silica. Silicones have numerous chemical, mechanical and tactile properties that can be precisely adjusted and newly combined time and again. No other synthetic material offers this kind of versatility and range of applications. Silicones are extremely durable, stress-resistant, water-repellent and UV-resistant. They are just as indispensable in everyday applications as they are in developing innovative, new technologies.

#### WACKER POLYMERS

makes state-of-the-art binders and polymeric additives (such as dispersible polymer powders and dispersions). They are used in diverse industrial applications or as basic chemicals. The

main customer for polymer binders is the construction industry. Other customers include the paint, coating, paper and adhesive industries.

**WACKER BIOSOLUTIONS**

supplies customized biotech and catalogue products for fine chemicals. Products include pharmaceutical proteins, vaccines, cyclodextrins, cysteine, polyvinyl acetate solid resins (for gumbase) and acetylacetone. The division focuses on customer-specific solutions for growth areas, such as pharmaceutical actives, food additives and agrochemicals.

WACKER POLYSILICON produces hyperpure polysilicon for the semiconductor and solar sectors.

WACKER uses raw materials based on timber and palm oil as ingredients of our production processes, as auxiliaries as well as packaging materials.

Please note that in this questionnaire we may make statements which contain predictions, estimates or other information which are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current expectations and certain assumptions and are therefore subject to certain risks and uncertainties. Some of these risks and uncertainties are beyond WACKER's control and could cause the actual results to differ materially from results, performances or achievements that may be expressed or implied in such forward-looking statements. WACKER may not update those risk factors, or the forward-looking statements made during this data gathering, nor does it assume any obligation to do so.

## F0.2

**(F0.2) State the start and end date of the year for which you are reporting data.**

	Start Date	End Date
Reporting year	January 1, 2022	December 31, 2022

## F0.3

**(F0.3) Select the currency used for all financial information disclosed throughout your response.**

EUR

## F0.4

**(F0.4) Select the forest risk commodity(ies) that you are, or are not, disclosing on (including any that are sources for your processed ingredients or manufactured goods); and for each select the stages of the supply chain that best represents your organization's area of operation.**

**Timber products**

**Commodity disclosure**

Disclosing

**Stage of the value chain**

Manufacturing

**Are you disclosing information on embedded commodities?**

No, because we have no embedded commodities

**Palm oil**

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**Commodity disclosure**

Disclosing

**Stage of the value chain**

Manufacturing

**Are you disclosing information on embedded commodities?**

No, because we have no embedded commodities

**Cattle products**

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**Commodity disclosure**

This commodity is not produced, sourced or used by our organization

**Soy**

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**Commodity disclosure**

Not disclosing

**Stage of the value chain**

Manufacturing

**Explanation if not disclosing**

The purchased amount of soy-based raw material is marginal compared to the total amount of procured raw material. Therefore, we do not disclose for soy.

**Other - Rubber**

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**Commodity disclosure**

This commodity is not produced, sourced or used by our organization

**Other - Cocoa**

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**Commodity disclosure**

This commodity is not produced, sourced or used by our organization

**Other - Coffee**

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**Commodity disclosure**

This commodity is not produced, sourced or used by our organization

## F0.5

**(F0.5) Select the option that describes the reporting boundary for which forests-related impacts on your business are being reported**

Financial control

## F0.6

**(F0.6) Select the countries/areas in which you operate.**

Brazil  
China  
Czechia  
Germany  
India  
Japan  
Netherlands  
Norway  
Republic of Korea  
Spain  
United States of America

## F0.7

**(F0.7) Are there any parts of your direct operations or supply chain that are not included in your disclosure?**

Yes

### F0.7a

**(F0.7a) Identify the parts of your direct operations or supply chain that are not included in your disclosure.**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Value chain stage**

Supply chain

**Exclusion**

Country/ geographical area

**Description of exclusion**

The excluded volume refers to associated companies of Wacker Chemie AG and small consumers within Wacker Chemie AG.

**% of volume excluded**

Don't know

**Potential for forests-related risk**

Potential for forests-related risk but not evaluated

**Please explain**

As Wacker sources a large number of different materials in many different regions which possibly could contain small amounts of palm oil, it is important for us to focus on the major region for palm oil containing product streams.

**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Value chain stage**

Supply chain

**Exclusion**

Business activity

**Description of exclusion**

There are smaller timber related volumes excluded.  
 One is bio acetic acid. The wood for the bio acetic acid is 100 % third party verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free., e. g. PEFC.  
 Additionally, locally sourced packaging materials are not in scope of disclosing.

**% of volume excluded**

11-20%

**Potential for forests-related risk**

Potential for forests-related risk but not evaluated

**Please explain**

With regard to locally sourced packaging materials, there is a potential for forest related risks. Due to the heterogeneity and respective small quantities, monitoring is difficult.

**F0.8**

**(F0.8) Does your organization have an ISIN code or another unique identifier (e.g., Ticker, CUSIP, etc.?)**

Indicate whether you are able to provide a unique identifier for your organization	Provide your unique identifier
Yes, an ISIN code	DE000WCH8881

## F1. Current state

### F1.1

(F1.1) How does your organization produce, use or sell your disclosed commodity(ies)?

#### Timber products

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##### Activity

Using as input into product manufacturing  
Distributing/packaging

##### Form of commodity

Sawn timber, veneer, chips  
Paper  
Boards, plywood, engineered wood  
Tertiary packaging  
Other, please specify  
Charcoal

##### Source

Contracted suppliers (processors)  
Contracted suppliers (manufacturers)

##### Country/Area of origin

Austria  
Czechia  
France  
Germany  
Indonesia  
Norway  
Poland  
Slovakia  
United States of America

##### % of procurement spend

<1%

##### Comment

In Wacker activities, pallets and wood fiber-based products are used for packaging directed to consumer. We further use wood chips and charcoal as reducing agent for silicon production.

#### Palm oil

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##### Activity

Using as input into product manufacturing

**Form of commodity**

- Palm oil derivatives
- Palm kernel oil derivatives

**Source**

- Trader/broker/commodity market
- Contracted suppliers (processors)
- Contracted suppliers (manufacturers)

**Country/Area of origin**

- Unknown origin

**% of procurement spend**

- <1%

**Comment**

We are procuring oil palm derivatives produced in line with the mass balance chain of custody. Therefore, the traceability of origin is difficult and detailed information is missing.

## F1.2

**(F1.2) Indicate the percentage of your organization’s revenue that was dependent on your disclosed forest risk commodity(ies) in the reporting year.**

	<b>% of revenue dependent on commodity</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Timber products	1-5%	Packaging materials are not included in the sales figures, because packaging has no impact on the company's revenue.
Palm oil	1-5%	

## F1.5

**(F1.5) Does your organization collect production and/or consumption data for your disclosed commodity(ies)?**

	<b>Data availability/Disclosure</b>
Timber products	Consumption data available, disclosing
Palm oil	Consumption data available, disclosing

## F1.5a

**(F1.5a) Disclose your production and/or consumption figure, and the percentage of commodity volumes verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free.**

**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Data type**

Consumption data

**Commodity production/ consumption volume**

1,847

**Metric for commodity production/ consumption volume**

Metric tons

**Data coverage**

Partial commodity production/consumption

**Have any of your reported commodity volumes been verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free?**

Yes

**% of reported volume verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free**

67

**Please explain**

The consumption volume refers to the RSPO certification scope which includes the largest consumers in the Wacker Chemie AG. The stated amount of 1847 t refers to the palm oil content of the purchased products and not the total purchased amount of palm oil containing goods.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Data type**

Consumption data

**Commodity production/ consumption volume**

55,149

**Metric for commodity production/ consumption volume**

Metric tons

**Data coverage**

Full commodity production/consumption

**Have any of your reported commodity volumes been verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free?**

Yes

**% of reported volume verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free**

100



**Please explain**

This section refers to our procurement of Charcoal and wood chips.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Data type**

Consumption data

**Commodity production/ consumption volume**

27,300

**Metric for commodity production/ consumption volume**

Metric tons

**Data coverage**

Partial commodity production/consumption

**Have any of your reported commodity volumes been verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free?**

Yes

**% of reported volume verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free**

50

**Please explain**

The consumption volume refers to the Wacker Chemie AG (Germany) which procures the packaging material for Germany and also other European sites.

## **F1.5b**

**(F1.5b) Provide a breakdown of your DCF and non-DCF volumes relevant to your stage in the supply chain according to how verification is achieved and the highest level of traceability, respectively.**

**Timber products – DCF**

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**% of DCF production/consumption volume from areas with no or negligible risk of deforestation/conversion**

0

**% of DCF production/consumption volume verified through monitoring systems**

0

**% of DCF production/consumption volume physically certified**

100

**Total percentage of production/consumption volume reported (DCF) [auto-calculated]**

100

**Timber products – Non DCF**

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**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume from unknown origin**

57

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as country level**

43

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as sub-national area**

0

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as processing facility level**

0

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable to production unit level**

0

**Total percentage of production/consumption volume reported (non-DCF) [(auto-calculated)]**

100

**Palm oil – DCF**

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**% of DCF production/consumption volume from areas with no or negligible risk of deforestation/conversion**

0

**% of DCF production/consumption volume verified through monitoring systems**

0

**% of DCF production/consumption volume physically certified**

100

**Total percentage of production/consumption volume reported (DCF) [auto-calculated]**

100

**Palm oil – Non DCF**

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**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume from unknown origin**

100

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as country level**

0

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as sub-national area**

0

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable only as far as processing facility level**

0

**% of non-DCF production/consumption volume traceable to production unit level**

0

**Total percentage of production/consumption volume reported (non-DCF) [(auto-calculated)]**

100

## **F1.5c**

**(F1.5c) For your disclosed commodity(ies), indicate the percentage of the production/consumption volume sourced by national and/or sub-national jurisdiction of origin.**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Country/Area of origin**

Unknown origin

**State or equivalent jurisdiction**

**% of total production/consumption volume**

100

**Please explain**

Our goal is to cover the entire amount of palm oil via RSPO certification, ensuring that it is deforestation and conversion free.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Country/Area of origin**

Any other countries/areas

**State or equivalent jurisdiction**

**% of total production/consumption volume**

98

**Please explain**

The majority of our disclosed quantity of timber products does not come from forest risk countries.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Country/Area of origin**

Indonesia

**State or equivalent jurisdiction**

Specify state/equivalent jurisdiction

Sumatra

**% of total production/consumption volume**

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**Please explain**

Small parts of our reducing agents are purchased in Indonesia. These amount to 2% of the total disclosed quantity of timber products.

## **F1.5f**

**(F1.5f) How does your organization produce or consume biofuel derived from palm oil?**

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**Does your organization produce or consume biofuel derived from palm oil?**

No

**Data type**

**Volume produced/consumed**

**Metric**

**Country/Area of origin**

**State or equivalent jurisdiction**

**% of total production/consumption volume**

**Does the source of your organization's biofuel material come from smallholders?**

**Comment**

WACKER does not purchase biofuel.

## F1.6

**(F1.6) Has your organization experienced any detrimental forests-related impacts?**

No

## F1.7

**(F1.7) Indicate whether you have assessed the deforestation or conversion footprint for your disclosed commodities over the past 5 years, or since a specified cutoff date, and provide details.**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Have you monitored or estimated your deforestation/conversion footprint?**

No, but we plan to monitor or estimate our deforestation/conversion footprint in the next two years

**Coverage**

**Reporting deforestation/conversion since a specified cutoff date or during the last five years?**

**Known or estimated deforestation/ conversion footprint (hectares)**

**Describe methods and data sources used to monitor or estimate deforestation/ conversion footprint**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

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**Coverage**

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## F2. Procedures

### F2.1

**(F2.1) Does your organization undertake a forests-related risk assessment?**

Yes, forests-related risks are assessed

### F2.1a

**(F2.1a) Select the options that best describe your procedures for identifying and assessing forests-related risks.**

**Timber products**

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**Value chain stage**

Supply chain

**Coverage**

Partial

**Risk assessment procedure**

Assessed as part of an established enterprise risk management framework

**Frequency of assessment**

More than once a year

**How far into the future are risks considered?**

> 6 years

**Tools and methods used**

Internal company methods

External consultants

Other, please specify

Watchlist to assess and monitor sustainability aspects from suppliers not compliant with our requirements including forest regulations.

### Issues considered

Regulation

Climate change

Impact on water security

Tariffs or price increases

Loss of markets

Leakage markets

Social impacts

Other, please specify

Supplier awareness on forest risk related aspects (sustainability aspects in purchase process etc.).

### Stakeholders considered

Customers

Employees

Investors

Local communities

NGOs

Regulators

Suppliers

### Please explain

Forest-related risks are assessed a part of enterprise risk management framework.

More often than once a year, WACKER identifies short-, mid- and long-term risk on two levels:

on an operating level (bottom-up) and

on a Group-level (top-down).

Risks arising from upstream activities, including forest-related issues are managed by the corresponding procurement managers, assessing identified risks according to impact and probability of occurrence.

We use the "Together for Sustainability " (TfS) initiative, we joined in 2015, to assessing and auditing sustainability practices at our suppliers.

## Palm oil

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### Value chain stage

Supply chain

### Coverage

Partial

### Risk assessment procedure

Assessed as part of an established enterprise risk management framework

**Frequency of assessment**

More than once a year

**How far into the future are risks considered?**

> 6 years

**Tools and methods used**

Internal company methods

Other, please specify

Watchlist to assess and monitor sustainability aspects from suppliers not compliant with our requirements including forest regulations.

**Issues considered**

Regulation

Climate change

Impact on water security

Tariffs or price increases

Loss of markets

Leakage markets

Corruption

Social impacts

Other, please specify

Supplier coverage of DCF volume.

**Stakeholders considered**

Customers

Employees

Investors

Local communities

NGOs

Regulators

Suppliers

**Please explain**

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## F2.2

**(F2.2) For each of your disclosed commodity(ies), has your organization mapped its value chains?**

	Value chain mapping
Timber products	Yes, we have partially mapped the value chain
Palm oil	Yes, we have partially mapped the value chain

## F2.2a

**(F2.2a) Provide details of your organization's value chain mapping for its disclosed commodity(ies).**

### Forest risk commodity

Timber products

### Scope of value chain mapping

Tier 1 suppliers

### % of total suppliers covered within selected tier(s)

91

### Description of mapping process and coverage

The mapping process is based on knowledge and relationship with the supplier. The share of covered suppliers is calculated on a mass basis.

**Your own production and primary processing sites: attach a list of facility names and locations (optional)**

**Your suppliers' production and primary processing sites: attach a list of names and locations (optional)**

### Forest risk commodity

Palm oil

### Scope of value chain mapping

Own operations

### % of total suppliers covered within selected tier(s)

**Description of mapping process and coverage**

**Your own production and primary processing sites: attach a list of facility names and locations (optional)**

**Your suppliers' production and primary processing sites: attach a list of names and locations (optional)**

**F2.3**

**(F2.3) Do you use a classification system to determine risk of deforestation and/or conversion of other ecosystems for your sourcing areas, and if yes, what methodology is used, and what is the classification used for?**

Use of a classification system to determine deforestation and/or conversion risk of sourcing areas	
1	No, and we do not plan to in the next two years

**F3. Risks and opportunities**

**F3.1**

**(F3.1) Have you identified any inherent forests-related risks with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business?**

	Risk identified?
Timber products	No
Palm oil	No

**F3.1a**

**(F3.1a) How does your organization define substantive financial or strategic impact on your business?**

Risk and compliance management are an integral part of corporate management at WACKER. The goal of risk management at WACKER is to identify risks as early as possible, to evaluate them adequately and to take appropriate steps to reduce them. We define risks as internal and external events that may have a negative effect on the attainment of our targets and forecasts. Reporting is mandatory for individual risks where the effect on earnings would exceed € 5 million. This is our threshold for substantive risks as requested in this questionnaire. Risk assessment is done by evaluating the probability and impact of risk occurrence. The probability, that an identified risk will occur is categorized as follows: unlikely: <25%; possible 25-75%; likely: >75%

We also use categories to describe how the occurrence of the risks listed might affect the Group's earnings, net assets or financial position. Otherwise, we assess the possible effect on earnings using the net method, i.e. after taking appropriate countermeasures, such as establishing provisions or hedging. Financial, quantitative risks are categorised into the following: Low: up to € 25 million, Medium: up to € 100 million, High: over € 100 million. In this CDP reporting we discuss and report the inherent risk properties.

### F3.1c

**(F3.1c) Why does your organization not consider itself to be exposed to forests-related risks with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact?**

	Primary reason	Please explain
Timber products	Risks exist, but no substantive impact anticipated	<p>WACKER purchases timber based raw materials in the form of</p> <p>a) Packaging material</p> <p>b) Charcoal and woodchips as reductant material for production of silicon metal</p> <p>Risks related to these ram materials are currently considered as marginally based on the following arguments</p> <p>a) Packaging material is no inherent raw material for our products but only needed for shipment. As alternatives for timber based packaging material, like plastics or metal, exist, there is no substantial risk for the WACKER business.</p> <p>b) Biobased reductant material like charcoal and woodchips for the production of silicon metal is currently (in the reporting year and following years) in the status of development and only small amounts of fossil based reductants like coal are replaced for the sake of process development.</p> <p>In order to reduce fossil based CO2 emissions from the production process for silicon metal in future, we plan to replace fossil based reductants to 100% by bio based materials.</p> <p>We will evaluate the risk from timber based products in the following years to mitigate substantial and financial impact for our company.</p>
Palm oil	Risks exist, but no substantive impact anticipated	<p>WACKER currently purchases palm oil based raw materials to a very low amount with very low palm oil content. As there are existing alternatives for these palm oil based products, we classify the risk from palm oil based products as to be minor.</p>

### F3.2

**(F3.2) Have you identified any forests-related opportunities with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business?**

	Have you identified opportunities?
Timber products	Yes, we have identified opportunities but are unable to realize them
Palm oil	Yes, we have identified opportunities but are unable to realize them

## F3.2b

**(F3.2b) Why does your organization not consider itself to have forests-related opportunities?**

### Timber products

**Primary reason**

Opportunities exist, but none with potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on business

**Please explain**

For timber based packaging materials we currently see no opportunities for our business.

For timber based reductants for the production process of silicon metal we see the opportunity to produce CO2 free silicon metal and subsequent low fossil carbon products in future. As we are currently in the phase of process development with bio based reductants, opportunities from bio based reductant material had no substantive financial or strategic impact to our business in the reporting year and the next years.

### Palm oil

**Primary reason**

Opportunities exist, but none with potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on business

**Please explain**

With palm oil based raw materials WACKER is able to produce bio based products with lower fossil carbon content. This opportunity exists, but is considered to currently have no substantial financial or strategic impact.

## F4. Governance

### F4.1

**(F4.1) Is there board-level oversight of forests-related issues within your organization?**

Yes

### F4.1a

**(F4.1a) Identify the position(s) of the individual(s) (do not include any names) on the board with responsibility for forests-related issues.**

Position of individual or committee	Responsibilities for forest-related issues

Board-level committee	<p>The Sustainability Council is the highest cross-functional Board-level committee on sustainability at WACKER. Two members of the Executive Board, including the CEO, as well as high-level representatives from each business division, corporate development, environmental division, corporate sustainability, engineering, procurement and R&amp;D are discussing and aligning on Group’s sustainability topics, including forest-related issues.</p> <p>The Sustainability Council is steering the WACKER Sustainability Program, build up on four pillars (sustainable processes, sustainable products, feedstock &amp; value chain, circular economy). The progress of each pillar is regularly reported to the Sustainability Council and decisions are made. The Sustainability Council meets every two months. Forest-related issues are part of the pillar “feedstock &amp; value chain”</p> <p>Example of forest-related decision made: In 2021, WACKER decided and obtained RSPO-certification for the first-time.</p>
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## F4.1b

**(F4.1b) Provide further details on the board’s oversight of forests-related issues.**

	Frequency that forests-related issues are a scheduled agenda item	Governance mechanisms into which forests-related issues are integrated	Please explain
Row 1	Scheduled - some meetings	Monitoring progress towards corporate targets Overseeing the setting of corporate targets Overseeing value chain engagement Reviewing and guiding risk management policies Reviewing and guiding strategy	<p><b>MONITORING AND OVERSEEING CORPORATE TARGETS:</b></p> <p>The Executive Board convened a Sustainability Council, headed by the CEO, to monitor and coordinate the WACKER Sustainability Program. The Sustainability Council measures the progress towards and recommends actions needed to achieve Group Sustainability targets.</p> <p><b>OVERSEEING VALUE CHAIN ENGAGEMENT</b> As part of the WACKER sustainability program WACKER’s head of procurement is reporting the progress of feedstock and supply chain-related topics to the Sustainability Council on a regular basis. He is also part of the steering committee of the alliance Together for Sustainability, setting sustainability standards for the chemical industry.</p> <p><b>REVIEWING AND GUIDING STRATEGY:</b></p>

			<p>Headed by the CEO, WACKER's four-member Executive Board oversees the Group's Sustainability Strategy, which is an integral part of WACKER's Group strategy. Strategic risks and opportunities related to forest issues are analyzed and monitored during the annual strategy process and presented to the Executive Board (by the corporate procurement department).</p> <p>REVIEWING AND GUIDING RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES:</p> <p>The CFO has overall responsibility for the risk management systems. The Executive and Supervisory Boards are regularly informed about the current risk status in the Group. The goal of risk management is to identify risks as early as possible, to evaluate them adequately and to take appropriate steps to reduce them.</p>
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### F4.1d

**(F4.1d) Does your organization have at least one board member with competence on forests-related issues?**

Row 1

**Board member(s) have competence on forests-related issues**

Yes

**Criteria used to assess competence on forests-related issues**

Sustainability has been firmly rooted in WACKER's business processes for many years. Thus, the Board of Management must have wide ranging expertise knowledge in the fields of Environment, Health, Safety (EHS), Sustainable Production, Product Safety and Supply Chain, including forest-related issues to oversee the Groups Sustainability initiatives.

In 2022, one of WACKER's board members has been responsible for EHS for more than 10 years now. He has also been heading the committee for technology and environment of the German Chemical Association.

The Board of Management has gained considerable experience in the field implementing and managing sustainability-related initiatives dating back to 1991, when WACKER joined the Responsible Care® initiative. Until today, WACKER has consistently improved its sustainability efforts, level of disclosure and support for global

voluntary initiatives. Key dates and milestones:

- WACKER has been an active member of the Responsible Care® initiative since 1991
- WACKER has adhered to the UN Global Compacts ten principles since 2006 and has published annual progress reports since 2010.
- WACKER has published a comprehensive Sustainability report since 2007/2008
- WACKER has set specific CO2 reduction targets since 2013
- WACKER joined the “Together for Sustainability” (TfS) initiative in 2015
- WACKER Executive Board convened a Sustainability Council to monitor and coordinate its Sustainable Solutions Program in 2018
- WACKER set the target to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2045 in 2021
- Board of Management remuneration tied to reaching of Sustainability targets since 2021

## F4.2

**(F4.2) Provide the highest management-level position(s) or committee(s) with responsibility for forests-related issues (do not include the names of individuals).**

Name of the position(s) and/or committee(s)	Forests-related responsibilities of this position	Frequency of reporting to the board on forests-related issues	Please explain
Chief Procurement Officer (CPO)	Integrating forests-related issues into business strategy Setting forests-related corporate targets Monitoring progress against forests-related corporate targets Managing value chain engagement on forests-related issues Assessing forests-related risks and opportunities Managing forests-related risks and opportunities	Quarterly	The CPO of Wacker Chemie AG has the highest level of responsibility for raw material procurement including forest-related issues. He ensures that the entire Board of Management is informed on all Forest-related issues. The CPO reports directly to the CFO.

### F4.3

**(F4.3) Do you provide incentives to C-suite employees or board members for the management of forests-related issues?**

	Provide incentives for management of forests-related issues	Comment
Row 1	No, and we do not plan to introduce them in the next two years	

### F4.4

**(F4.4) Did your organization include information about its response to forests-related risks in its most recent mainstream financial report?**

Yes (you may attach the report – this is optional)

### F4.5

**(F4.5) Does your organization have a policy that includes forests-related issues?**

No, but we plan to develop one within the next two years

### F4.6

**(F4.6) Has your organization made a public commitment to reduce or remove deforestation and/or forest degradation from its direct operations and/or supply chain?**

Forest risk commodity	Public commitments made
Timber products	No
Palm oil	No

## F5. Business strategy

### F5.1

**(F5.1) Are forests-related issues integrated into any aspects of your long-term strategic business plan, and if so how?**

	Are forests-related issues integrated?	Long-term time horizon (years)	Please explain
Long-term business objectives	Yes, forests-related issues are integrated	11-15	According to the company purpose “Our solutions make a better world for generations” WACKER strives to make a vital contribution to improving the quality of life around the world. Our sustainability strategy to reach this long-term objective with a timeframe of more than 10 years,



			<p>addresses all aspects of sustainability, including forest-related issues. Derived from this long-term objective, two main aspects are part of our business objectives for 2030:</p> <p>Focus on sustainability as powerful driver for future growth and improve our own sustainability. Both aspects are including forest-related issues with the clear goal to stop deforestation as well.</p> <p>In this context WACKER obtained RSPO certification in 2021, aiming to use 100% certified palm oil in 2030.</p>
Strategy for long-term objectives	Yes, forests-related issues are integrated	11-15	<p>To achieve the long-term business objectives WACKER has set up its sustainability strategy called SustainaBalance®. It is based on three pillars: value up, footprint down and collaboration beyond.</p> <p>Value up means to increase the sustainability performance of our products. Therefore, we annually assess all of our products according to sustainability criteria, including forest-related issues (e.g. effect on biodiversity, cultivation/farming in critical regions, social impacts of raw material sourcing).</p> <p>As of 2030 (&gt;10 years) we want the entire product portfolio to fulfill these criteria. In addition, we currently develop a solution to automatically calculate the environmental impacts of all our products, thus also including products containing palm oil.</p> <p>Footprint down means that we want to reduce the environmental footprint of our production processes, e.g. reducing absolute GHG emissions by 50% until 2030 and by 100% until 2045.</p> <p>Collaboration beyond means, that we work closely together with our customers. By being part of the initiative Together for Sustainability we work hard on developing more sustainable value chains. We also joined RSPO aiming to only purchase certified palm oil as of 2030.</p>
Financial planning	Yes, forests-related issues are integrated	11-15	<p>WACKER has a strong commitment towards its short- / mid- and longterm targets. On the way to achieve these targets sustainability-related actions including forest-related topics are considered in the regular financial planning process. In 2021, the Executive Board decided to introduce a separate budget for sustainability measures, also including forest-related issues. The budget is managed by a cross-divisional budget committee, which regularly reports to the Sustainability Council (every 2 months).</p>

## F6. Implementation

### F6.1

**(F6.1) Did you have any forests-related timebound and quantifiable targets that were active during the reporting year?**

Yes

### F6.1a

**(F6.1a) Provide details of your forests-related timebound and quantifiable target(s) and progress made.**

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**Target reference number**

Target 1

**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Year target was set**

2021

**Target coverage**

Country/area/region

**Target category**

Third-party certification

**Metric**

% of volume third-party certified

**Traceability point**

**Third-party certification scheme**

RSPO Mass Balance

**Base year**

2021

**Base year figure**

66

**Target year**

2030

**Target year figure**

100

**Reporting year figure**

67

**% of target achieved relative to base year [auto-calculated]**

2.9411764706

**Target status in reporting year**

Underway

**Is this target linked to a commitment?**

Not linked to specific commitment

**Please explain**

Only material numbers whose purchase quantity exceeds 10 metric tons of palm oil content per year are considered. The target refers to the RSPO certification scope which includes the largest consumers in the Wacker Chemie AG.

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**Target reference number**

Target 2

**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Year target was set**

2022

**Target coverage**

Site/facility

**Target category**

Third-party certification

**Metric**

% of volume third-party certified

**Traceability point**

**Third-party certification scheme**

FSC Chain of Custody  
PEFC Chain of Custody  
Other, please specify  
SVLK (Indonesia)

**Base year**

2022

**Base year figure**

100

**Target year**

2022

**Target year figure**

100

**Reporting year figure**

100

**% of target achieved relative to base year [auto-calculated]**

**Target status in reporting year**

Achieved

**Is this target linked to a commitment?**

Not linked to specific commitment

**Please explain**

Target to only purchase certified wood for Holla in Norway was started and achieved in 2022.

## F6.2

**(F6.2) Do you have traceability system(s) in place to track and monitor the origin of your disclosed commodity(ies)?**

	Do you have system(s) in place?
Timber products	No
Palm oil	No

## F6.2b

**(F6.2b) Why do you not have system(s) in place to track and monitor the origin of your disclosed commodity(ies) and what are your plans to develop these in the future?**

**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Primary reason**

Important, but not an immediate business priority

**Please explain**

Wacker does not purchase palm oil directly, but only products that contain processed palm oil. Therefore, traceability in the supply chain back to the origin of the palm oil is

very complex. In order to nevertheless meet our sustainability standards, we have supplier assessments/audits and Supplier Code of Conduct in place. Additionally, a high share of RSPO certified raw materials is procured.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Primary reason**

Important, but not an immediate business priority

**Please explain**

The majority of the timber products purchased are verified as deforestation- and/or conversion-free and the remaining quantities do not originate from forest risk countries. Thus, the supply chain of timber products is currently not monitored continuously but on an ad hoc basis.

## F6.3

**(F6.3) Have you adopted any third-party certification scheme(s) for your disclosed commodity(ies)?**

	Third-party certification scheme adopted?	% of total production and/or consumption volume certified
Timber products	Yes	83
Palm oil	Yes	67

## F6.3a

**(F6.3a) Provide a detailed breakdown of the volume and percentage of your production and/or consumption by certification scheme.**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Third-party certification scheme**

RSPO Mass Balance

**Chain-of-custody model used**
**% of total production/consumption volume certified**

67

**Form of commodity**

Palm oil derivatives

Palm kernel oil derivatives

**Volume of production/ consumption certified**

1,238

**Metric for volume**

Metric tons

**Is this certified by more than one scheme?**

No

**Please explain**

Following our sustainability strategy SustainaBalance®, we strive to contribute to a more sustainable society. We have been able to increase the share of certified palm oil over the past year through RSPO certification of additional palm oil containing materials.

**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Third-party certification scheme**

PEFC Chain of Custody

**Chain-of-custody model used**

**% of total production/consumption volume certified**

19

**Form of commodity**

Boards, plywood, engineered wood

Other, please specify

Charcoal

**Volume of production/ consumption certified**

15,275

**Metric for volume**

Metric tons

**Is this certified by more than one scheme?**

No

**Please explain**

Following our sustainability strategy SustainaBalance®, we strive to contribute to a more sustainable society. Therefore we continuously work with our suppliers to deliver third-party certified wood products.

**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Third-party certification scheme**

FSC Chain of Custody

**Chain-of-custody model used**

**% of total production/consumption volume certified**

63

**Form of commodity**

Sawn timber, veneer, chips

**Volume of production/ consumption certified**

52,160

**Metric for volume**

Metric tons

**Is this certified by more than one scheme?**

No

**Please explain**

Following our sustainability strategy SustainaBalance®, we strive to contribute to a more sustainable society. Therefore we purchase third-party certified wood chips from our suppliers.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Third-party certification scheme**

Other, please specify  
SVLK (Indonesia)

**Chain-of-custody model used**

Not applicable

**% of total production/consumption volume certified**

2

**Form of commodity**

Other, please specify  
Charcoal

**Volume of production/ consumption certified**

1,325

**Metric for volume**

Metric tons

**Is this certified by more than one scheme?**

No

**Please explain**

We expect our suppliers to live up to the same corporate responsibility standards as we do. Therefore, the SVLK certification is a minimum standard for us. SVLK means a verification under the Indonesian Timber Legality Assurance System, INDO-TLAS/Sistem Verifikasi Legalitas Kayu (SVLK). This assures that the wood products sourced from Indonesia are produced from legally harvested wood.

**F6.6**

**(F6.6) For your disclosed commodity(ies), indicate if you assess your own compliance and/or the compliance of your suppliers with forest regulations and/or mandatory standards.**

	Assess legal compliance with forest regulations
Timber products	Yes, from suppliers

**F6.6a**

**(F6.6a) For your disclosed commodity(ies), indicate how you ensure legal compliance with forest regulations and/or mandatory standards.**

**Timber products**

**Procedure to ensure legal compliance**

We integrated various forest related aspects like protecting biodiversity and complying with all applicable environmental regulations in our Supplier Code of Conduct (SCoC). The SCoC requirements apply along the entire supply chain, so our suppliers must, in turn, commit their upstream partners accordingly. The SCoC is integrated in our general Terms and Conditions and additionally countersigned by our Key Suppliers in the disclosing scope.

In case of bad news out of EcoVadis or Whistleblowing hotline the supplier is put on our Watchlist and action of the supplier will be required to remedying the non-compliance situation and preventing it in the future.

Furthermore 100 % of the sourced wood from Indonesia is SVLK certified which ensures compliance with the Indonesian forest regulations.

**Country/Area of origin**

Indonesia

**Law and/or mandatory standard(s)**

General assessment of legal compliance

**Comment**



## F6.7

**(F6.7) Are you working with smallholders to support good agricultural practices and reduce deforestation and/or conversion of natural ecosystems?**

	Are you working with smallholders?	Please explain
Timber products	Not applicable	Wacker does not purchase wood directly, but only products that are produced from wood.
Palm oil	Not applicable	Wacker does not purchase palm oil, but only products that are produced from palm oil through refining or chemical conversion (in part).

## F6.8

**(F6.8) Indicate if you are working with your direct suppliers to drive action on forests-related issues and if so, provide details of the engagement.**

### Forest risk commodity

Palm oil

### Are you working with direct suppliers?

Yes, working with direct suppliers

### Action(s) on forests-related issues driven by engagement

Adopting UN International Labour Organization principles

### Type of engagement

Supply chain mapping

Other

### Details of engagement

Supplier questionnaires on environmental and social indicators

Supplier audits

Other, please specify

Among other things, the WACKER SCoC obliges direct and indirect suppliers to comply with the UN International Labour Organization principles.

### Description of engagement

WACKER supports the UN Global Compact initiative for responsible company management and the principles of the chemical industry's global Responsible Care initiative. We expect our suppliers also to observe these principles. We joined the "Together for Sustainability" (TfS) initiative in 2015. TfS has developed and implemented together with EcoVadis a global program for assessing, testing and improving sustainability practices in the chemical industry's supply chains including TfS audits. Additionally sustainability aspects from suppliers not compliant with our requirements are assessed and monitored through our Watchlist.

**% of suppliers engaged by procurement spend covered by engagement**

77

**Explain the impact of your engagement on the selected action**

All these Key Suppliers are assessed bei EcoVadis/TfS Audits on a three-year basis typically including sustainability aspects like environmental issues, labor practices and human rights in the procurement policy. Not only there is a minimum score in the assessment but many measures like different EcoVadis Awards based on the score and a Wacker Sustainability Award engages suppliers also to improve their environmental/water security performance. This approach enables all key suppliers to improve simultaneously and effectively.

By the end of 2022, a total of 992 valid assessments were available, with suppliers having improved by 64 percent.

**Is this engagement helping your suppliers engage with their suppliers on the selected action?**

Yes

**Does this engagement contribute to achieving a reported target?**

No

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Are you working with direct suppliers?**

Yes, working with direct suppliers

**Action(s) on forests-related issues driven by engagement**

Adopting UN International Labour Organization principles

**Type of engagement**

Supply chain mapping

Other

**Details of engagement**

Supplier questionnaires on environmental and social indicators

Supplier audits

Other, please specify

Among other things, the WACKER SCoC obliges direct and indirect suppliers to comply with the UN International Labour Organization principles.

**Description of engagement**

WACKER supports the UN Global Compact initiative for responsible company management and the principles of the chemical industry's global Responsible Care initiative. We expect our suppliers also to observe these principles. We joined the "Together for Sustainability " (TfS) initiative in 2015. TfS has developed and implemented together with EcoVadis a global program for assessing, testing and improving sustainability practices in the chemical industry's supply chains including TfS

audits. Additionally sustainability aspects from suppliers not compliant with our requirements are assessed and monitored through our Watchlist.

### **% of suppliers engaged by procurement spend covered by engagement**

77

### **Explain the impact of your engagement on the selected action**

All Key Suppliers are assessed bei EcoVadis/TfS Audits on a three-year basis typically including sustainability aspects in the procurement policy and in the wood or wood-based products purchasing process. Not only there is a minimum score in the assessment but many measures like different EcoVadis Awards based on the score and a Wacker Sustainability Award engages suppliers also to improve their environmental/water security performance. This approach enables all key suppliers to improve simultaneously and effectively.

By the end of 2022, a total of 992 valid assessments were available, with suppliers having improved by 64 percent.

### **Is this engagement helping your suppliers engage with their suppliers on the selected action?**

Yes

### **Does this engagement contribute to achieving a reported target?**

No

## **F6.9**

**(F6.9) Indicate if you are working beyond your first-tier supplier(s) to drive action on forests-related issues, and if so, provide details of the engagement.**

### **Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

### **Are you working beyond first tier?**

Yes, working beyond first tier

### **Action(s) on forest-related issues driven by engagement**

Adopting UN International Labour Organization principles

### **Type of engagement**

Other

### **Details of engagement**

Other, please specify

The WACKER SCoC obliges direct and indirect suppliers to comply with the UN International Labour Organization principles.

### **Description of engagement**

We support the UN Global Compact initiative and the principles of the chemical industry's global Responsible Care initiative. We expect our suppliers also to observe these principles and are committed to promoting the values, principles and practices of Responsible Care throughout our value chains. This includes, among other things, improving processes and products throughout their life cycle to prevent harm to people and the environment.

Following our sustainability strategy SustainaBalance®, we strive to contribute to a more sustainable society and to balance ecological and socio-economic interests. We expect our suppliers to live up to the same corporate responsibility standards and, as such, we require compliance throughout entire supply chains of all suppliers.

We integrated social and labor aspects in our Supplier Code of Conduct (SCoC) which is integrated in our general Terms and Conditions and additionally countersigned/requested to be countersigned by our Key Suppliers.

### **Explain the impact of your engagement on the selected action**

In case of bad news out of EcoVadis or Whistleblowing hotline the supplier is put on our Watchlist and action of the supplier will be required to remedying the non-compliance situation and preventing it in the future.

### **Does this engagement contribute to achieving a reported target?**

No

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### **Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

### **Are you working beyond first tier?**

Yes, working beyond first tier

### **Action(s) on forest-related issues driven by engagement**

Adopting UN International Labour Organization principles

### **Type of engagement**

Other

### **Details of engagement**

Other, please specify

The WACKER SCoC obliges direct and indirect suppliers to comply with the UN International Labour Organization principles.

### **Description of engagement**

We support the UN Global Compact initiative and the principles of the chemical industry's global Responsible Care initiative. We expect our suppliers also to observe these principles and are committed to promoting the values, principles and practices of Responsible Care throughout our value chains. This includes, among other things, improving processes and products throughout their life cycle to prevent harm to people and the environment.

Following our sustainability strategy SustainaBalance®, we strive to contribute to a more sustainable society and to balance ecological and socio-economic interests. We

expect our suppliers to live up to the same corporate responsibility standards and, as such, we require compliance throughout entire supply chains of all suppliers. We integrated social and labor aspects in our Supplier Code of Conduct (SCoC) which is integrated in our general Terms and Conditions and additionally countersigned/requested to be countersigned by our Key Suppliers.

**Explain the impact of your engagement on the selected action**

In case of bad news out of EcoVadis or Whistleblowing hotline the supplier is put on our Watchlist and action of the supplier will be required to remedying the non-compliance situation and preventing it in the future.

**Does this engagement contribute to achieving a reported target?**

No

**F6.10**

**(F6.10) Do you engage in landscape (including jurisdictional) approaches to progress shared sustainable land use goals?**

	<b>Do you engage in landscape/jurisdictional approaches?</b>	<b>Primary reason for not engaging in landscape and/or jurisdictional approaches</b>	<b>Explain why your organization does not engage in landscape/jurisdictional approaches, and describe plans to engage in the future</b>
Row 1	No, we do not engage in landscape/jurisdictional approaches, and we do not plan to within the next two years	Other, please specify No contact to producers.	Wacker does neither purchase wood directly nor purchase palm oil, but only products that are produced from palm oil through refining or chemical conversion (in part) or from wood. Possible future activities are being considered.

**F6.11**

**(F6.11) Do you participate in any other external activities and/or initiatives to promote the implementation of your forests-related policies and commitments?**

**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Do you participate in activities/initiatives?**

Yes

**Activities**

Involved in multi-partnership or stakeholder initiatives

**Country/Area**

Not applicable

**Subnational area**

Not applicable

**Initiatives**

UN Global Compact

**Please explain**

As a member of the UN Global Compact initiative and active part of the Global Compact Network Germany, we are committed to the Global Compact's ten principles, which address social and environmental standards, anticorruption and the protection of human rights. We also expect our suppliers to respect the principles of the Global Compact, and we evaluate them on this point in our risk assessments.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Do you participate in activities/initiatives?**

Yes

**Activities**

Involved in multi-partnership or stakeholder initiatives

**Country/Area**

Not applicable

**Subnational area**

Not applicable

**Initiatives**

UN Global Compact

**Please explain**

As a member of the UN Global Compact initiative and active part of the Global Compact Network Germany, we are committed to the Global Compact's ten principles, which address social and environmental standards, anticorruption and the protection of human rights. We also expect our suppliers to respect the principles of the Global Compact, and we evaluate them on this point in our risk assessments.

**F6.12**

**(F6.12) Is your organization supporting or implementing project(s) focused on ecosystem restoration and long-term protection?**

Yes

**F6.12a**

**(F6.12a) Provide details on your project(s), including the extent, duration, and monitoring frequency. Please specify any measured outcome(s).**

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**Project reference**

Project 1

**Project type**

Threatened and protected species

**Expected benefits of project**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Is this project originating any carbon credits?**

No

**Description of project**

In 2019, WACKER began working with the Landschaftspflegeverband Altötting (Altötting Landscape Conservation Association) in a community project to promote biodiversity at the Burghausen site.

An area of 30,000 square meters along a one-and-a-half-kilometer stretch of the Alz canal between Burgkirchen and Hirten was restored into a habitat where flowers and insects can thrive. At the Burghausen site, land areas totaling over 2,300 square meters have been turned into flourishing meadows as a nourishing habitat for insects.

**Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?**

Project based in area with direct operations

**Start year**

2019

**Target year**

Indefinitely

**Project area to date (Hectares)**

3.23

**Project area in the target year (Hectares)**

3.23

**Country/Area**

Germany

**Latitude**

48.1831

**Longitude**

12.8433

**Monitoring frequency**

Annually

**Total investment over the project period (currency)**

0

**For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Please explain**

In 2019, WACKER began working with the Landschaftspflegeverband Altötting (Altötting Landscape Conservation Association) in a community project to promote biodiversity at the Burghausen site.

An area of 30,000 square meters along a one-and-a-half-kilometer stretch of the Alz canal between Burgkirchen and Hirten was restored into a habitat where flowers and insects can thrive. At the Burghausen site, land areas totaling over 2,300 square meters have been turned into flourishing meadows as a nourishing habitat for insects.

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**Project reference**

Project 2

**Project type**

Threatened and protected species

**Expected benefits of project**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Is this project originating any carbon credits?**

No

**Description of project**

We are cooperating with the Bavarian State Agency for the Environment in monitoring the presence of the protected Aesculapian snake on our Burghausen site premises. Aesculapian snakes have only been sighted at five locations in Germany, one of which is the Salzach region near Burghausen.

**Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?**

Project based in area with direct operations

**Start year**

2017

**Target year**

Indefinitely

**Project area to date (Hectares)**

2

**Project area in the target year (Hectares)**

2

**Country/Area**

Germany



**Latitude**

48.1831

**Longitude**

12.8433

**Monitoring frequency**

Every five years

**Total investment over the project period (currency)**

0

**For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Please explain**

We are cooperating with the Bavarian State Agency for the Environment in monitoring the presence of the protected Aesculapian snake on our Burghausen site premises. Aesculapian snakes have only been sighted at five locations in Germany, one of which is the Salzach region near Burghausen. Monitoring every 6 years.

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**Project reference**

Project 3

**Project type**

Natural regeneration

**Expected benefits of project**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Is this project originating any carbon credits?**

No

**Description of project**

WACKER and seven other ChemDelta Bavaria companies have joined forces within the Verein Naturnahe Alz (Natural Alz Association), an organization supporting the Bavarian authorities in renaturalizing the Alz river and enhancing its ecosystem in the long term. <https://www.naturnahe-alz.de/> (in German only)

**Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?**

Project based elsewhere

**Start year**

2015

**Target year**

Indefinitely

**Project area to date (Hectares)**

**Project area in the target year (Hectares)**

**Country/Area**

Germany

**Latitude**

**Longitude**

**Monitoring frequency**

**Total investment over the project period (currency)**

0

**For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?**

Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

**Please explain**

WACKER and seven other ChemDelta Bavaria companies have joined forces within the Verein Naturnahe Alz (Natural Alz Association), an organization supporting the Bavarian authorities in renaturalizing the Alz river and enhancing its ecosystem in the long term.

## F7. Verification

### F7.1

**(F7.1) Do you verify any forests information reported in your CDP disclosure?**

Yes

### F7.1a

**(F7.1a) Which data points within your CDP disclosure have been verified, and which standards were used?**

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**Disclosure module**

F6. Implementation

**Data points verified**

F6.3a: Volume of production/ consumption certified and % of total production/consumption volume certified

F1.5a: Commodity production/ consumption volume

### Verification standard

Last audit in 2022 according to the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard (Document Code: RSPO-STD-T05-001 V2 ENG) was conducted by Intertek Certification International Sdn Bhd. The RSPO Standard is the well-known suitable Standard when buying palm oil derivatives and applying the mass balance approach.

### Please explain

The data is verified annually by an internal and external audit (see above). The Scope of Certification is production within the following Business Divisions: POLYMERS (dispersible polymer powder, specialty monomers, polymer dispersions, resins) and SILICONES (silicon metal, silanes, silicones, silicone compounds, silicone emulsions, pyrogenic silica and inorganic basic chemicals) for the largest consumers within the Wacker Chemie AG. The verified data points are the main sustainability KPIs of palm oil purchase.

## F8. Barriers and challenges

### F8.1

**(F8.1) Describe the key barriers or challenges to eliminating deforestation and/or conversion of other natural ecosystems from your direct operations or from other parts of your value chain.**

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#### Forest risk commodity

Timber products

#### Coverage

Supply chain

#### Primary barrier/challenge type

Limited public awareness and/or market demand

#### Comment

The complex and cost-intensive compliance with the balancing criteria along the entire value chain limits the availability and acceptance of certified raw materials for packaging.

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#### Forest risk commodity

Palm oil

#### Coverage

Supply chain

#### Primary barrier/challenge type

Limited public awareness and/or market demand

**Comment**

Consumer awareness regarding palm oil derivatives usage in industrial applications is limited.

## F8.2

**(F8.2) Describe the main measures that would improve your organization's ability to manage its exposure to deforestation and/or conversion of other natural ecosystems.**

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**Forest risk commodity**

Palm oil

**Coverage**

Supply chain

**Main measure**

Improvement in data collection and quality

**Comment**

Transparency along the complex value chain and comparable data quality is difficult to obtain.

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**Forest risk commodity**

Timber products

**Coverage**

Supply chain

**Main measure**

Greater transparency

**Comment**

Currently, there is no complete transparency along the entire value chain of processed wood products.

## F17 Signoff

### F-FI

**(F-FI) Use this field to provide any additional information or context that you feel is relevant to your organization's response. Please note that this field is optional and is not scored.**

## F17.1

**(F17.1) Provide the following information for the person that has signed off (approved) your CDP forests response.**

	Job Title	Corresponding job category
Row 1	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

## SF. Supply chain module

### SF0.1

**(SF0.1) What is your organization’s annual revenue for the reporting period?**

	Annual revenue
Row 1	8,209,300,000

### SF1.1

**(SF1.1) In F6.3 you were asked “Have you adopted any third-party certification scheme(s) for your disclosed commodity(ies)? Indicate the volume and percentage of your certified production and/or consumption”. Can you also indicate, for each of your disclosed commodity(ies), the percentage of certified volume sold to each requesting CDP supply chain member?**

Partially

### SF1.1a

**(SF1.1a) For each of your requesting CDP supply chain members, indicate the percentage of certified volume sold per disclosed commodity(ies).**

**Requesting member**

Grupo Boticário

**Forest risk commodity**

**Form of commodity**

**Third-party certification scheme**

**Total volume of commodity sold to member**

**Metric**

**What % of the volume reported in column 5 is certified?**

**Comment**

Our Purpose: Our solutions make a better world for generations As an innovative chemical company, WACKER makes a vital contribution to improving the quality of life around the world. We want to continue developing and supplying solutions that meet our own expectations – namely to add value for our customers and shareholders, and to achieve sustainable growth. We are focused on sustainability as a powerful driver of future growth. With WACKER Sustainable Solutions we conduct product portfolio sustainability assessments in line with the standards set by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD). Our new target, set in 2021 aims 100% of WACKER products meeting sustainability criteria in 2030. Please feel free to approach your local WACKER sales representative to request information on certified volumes of commodities sold to you.

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**Requesting member**

L'Oréal

**Forest risk commodity**

**Form of commodity**

**Third-party certification scheme**

**Total volume of commodity sold to member**

**Metric**

**What % of the volume reported in column 5 is certified?**

**Comment**

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**Requesting member**

The Dow Chemical Company

**Forest risk commodity**

**Form of commodity**

**Third-party certification scheme**

**Total volume of commodity sold to member**

**Metric**

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**SF1.1b**

**(SF1.1b) Why can you not indicate the percentage of certified volume sold to each of your requesting CDP supply chain members? Describe any future plans for adopting and communicating levels of certification to requesting members.**

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**Requesting member**

Grupo Boticário

**Forest risk commodity**

**Primary reason**

**Please explain**

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**Requesting member**

L'Oréal

**Forest risk commodity**

**Primary reason**

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## Forest risk commodity

### Primary reason

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## SF2.1

**(SF2.1) Please propose any mutually beneficial forests-related projects you could collaborate on with specific CDP supply chain members.**

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### Requesting member

Grupo Boticário

### Commodity related to the project

### Category of project

### Type of project

### Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits to customer

### Details of project

### Projected outcome

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**Requesting member**

L'Oréal

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## SF2.2

**(SF2.2) Have requests or initiatives by CDP supply chain members prompted your organization to take organizational-level action to reduce or remove deforestation/forest degradation from your operations or your supply chain?**

No

## SF3.1

**(SF3.1) For your disclosed commodity(ies), do you estimate the GHG emission reductions and/or removals from land use and land use change that have occurred in your direct operations and/or supply chain?**

### Timber products

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#### **Estimate GHG emissions and removals from land use and land use change**

No, but plan to do so in the next two years

#### **Please explain**

WACKER ist currently implementing PCF calculations based on the PCF standard by Together for Sustainability, which includes land use and land use change impacts.

### Palm oil

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#### **Estimate GHG emissions and removals from land use and land use change**

No, but plan to do so in the next two years

**Please explain**

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## Submit your response

**In which language are you submitting your response?**

English

**Please confirm how your response should be handled by CDP**

	I understand that my response will be shared with all requesting stakeholders	Response permission
Please select your submission options	Yes	Public

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