



# Sustainable Procurement Policy

Aalberts integrated piping systems is committed  
to be net zero carbon by 2050 or earlier

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## 1. introduction

Aalberts integrated piping systems is engaged in providing solutions and parts for connection and valve technologies. Our solutions and products enable our customers to achieve their business goals, operational excellence and will contribute to corporate social responsibility. At Aalberts IPS we are always driven by the Aalberts values and always committed to do the right thing for our customers, our people, and our communities. We believe that sustainability is our responsibility towards our planet and future generations. Therefore, we are committed to reducing our carbon footprint through smart

innovations, adopting circular business models, and optimising energy usage in all locations and by all of our employees. For more detailed info, see [www.aalberts-ips.com/sustainability](http://www.aalberts-ips.com/sustainability)

Aalberts IPS is committed to implementing social and environmental due diligence obligations across the entire value chain including procurement and suppliers. To achieve our goal, it is mandatory that our suppliers share our values and commitment and raise the same sustainability standards in their supply chain.

## 2. sustainable procurement policy

This policy outlines our commitment and expectations towards our suppliers and engagement of suppliers on the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) aspects. We encourage our suppliers to work together with Aalberts IPS to identify and develop sustainable improvements along the supply chain. We expect our Suppliers to outline their sustainability efforts and demonstrate their efforts to:

- 1. support availability of material, goods and services against the specified quality, optimise cost and support cost savings initiatives.
- 2. define/consolidate measures for Corporate Social Responsibility (protection of human rights and environment) in the supply chain.

- 3. endorse highest standards of economic, social, ethical, and environmental management.
- 4. uphold the laws and regulations of the respective countries they operate in.
- 5. communicate this policy with stakeholders (internal and external) and raise more awareness about Corporate Social Responsibility.

Aalberts IPS aims for long-term business relationships with its suppliers in the spirit of partnership and maintains open communication channels with them. Sustainable procurement is a part of our Corporate Social Responsibility and is in line with the Aalberts Holding policies

## 2.1. scope

This policy is applicable to all Aalberts IPS procurement employees, our suppliers, subcontractors, distributors and business contacts.

## 2.2 our commitment

We are committed to engaging with suppliers who share our values and demonstrate the same level of commitment and behavior with respect to ethical conduct, alignment with human rights standards, safeguarding the environment and following guidelines and reporting directives, such as CSRD (Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive) and CSDDD (Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive).

## 2.3. ESG principles

We value our relationship with suppliers who share the same approach and principles for Corporate Social Responsibility towards doing business. To achieve our goals, it is mandatory that our suppliers share our values and commitment and raise the same sustainability standards in their supply chain.

### environmental

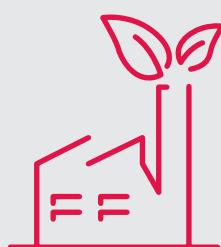
- ISO 14001
- sustainable products & processes
- circular economy

### social

- responsible work
- responsible conduct
- health & safety
- local community development

### governance

- supplier code of conduct
- transparency
- supply chain CSDDD, CSRD
- export controls
- supplier liability
- compliance to laws



## 2.3.1 environmental principles

We believe in creating a safe and clean global environment. We follow the processes as per ISO 14001:2015 Environment Management Systems (EMS) standard within our own operations.

Our sustainable spirit:



reduce



rethink



recycle

We expect our suppliers to prioritise the reduction of environmental impact of their products and processes. To monitor and improve environmental performance, practices aimed at tracking and minimising environmental impact should be embedded within an organisation's operations. To do this, we recommend that they establish and maintain a certified Environmental Management System (ISO 14001:2015).

## 2.3.2 social principles

We respect national and international human rights standards and principles within our own operations and expect the same from our suppliers. We encourage our suppliers to undertake steps to collaborate and associate with the local community for economic and social development by providing employment, helping in eradicating poverty, helping in developing skills of local people etc.

## 2.3.3 governance principles

We conduct our business in good faith, ethically and responsibly with suppliers and believe in building trusting, cooperative and long-term relationships. We expect our supplier to:

1. adhere to the Aalberts IPS Supplier Code of Conduct («SCoC»).
2. perform due diligence on ESG impacts in their upstream supply chain.
3. engage with Aalberts IPS and be transparent on ESG impacts in the supply chain as per Aalberts IPS ESG Supplier self-assessment.
4. comply with applicable laws and regulations as per their country of operation and applicable international laws and regulations.
5. follow guidelines of all the required permits and registrations to be legally compliant at all times.

All signed and completed documents will only be used for internal Aalberts IPS purposes.

### 3. compliance

Compliance with our policy is becoming more important in our decision making for continuing business with suppliers. When selecting and evaluating suppliers, we take into account criteria and commitment to sustainability, social responsibility and governance. Upon invitation by Aalberts IPS, supplier will, within a reasonable period of time, provide all relevant information in the context of this policy. The supplier also represents third parties engaged by them and shall guarantee that third parties engaged also comply with this policy. Aalberts IPS will reconsider its business relationship if the supplier does not comply with this policy. Any abuse of human rights or violation of labour or environmental laws anywhere along the entire value chain is unacceptable.

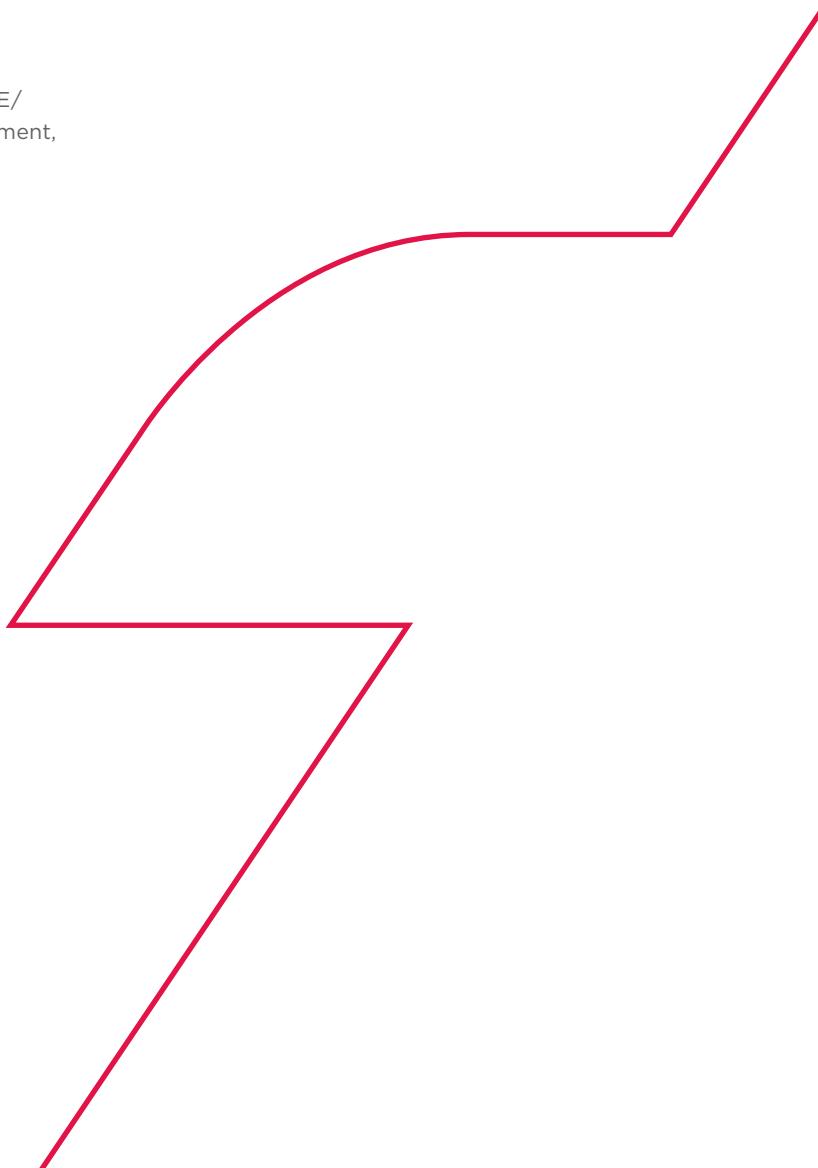
### 5. review of policy

This policy will be reviewed and revised frequently, to ensure it remains relevant and effective.

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### 4. governance

Aalberts IPS Procurement, supported by QHSE/  
Sustainability is responsible to ensure commitment,  
control and support.



## our sustainable spirit



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