

## **Environmental policy statement**

Helios Towers is a leading independent telecoms infrastructure company operating across Africa and the Middle East. Our principal business is building, acquiring and operating telecommunications towers that can accommodate and power the needs of multiple mobile network operators (MNOs).

Our infrastructure-sharing business model enables us to reduce the environmental impact of powering mobile connectivity, when compared to the traditional operator-owned model. Only one generator or power supply is needed to cater for multiple tenants, minimising maintenance visits and saving thousands of kilometres driven each month (which also reduces safety risks). Our model also avoids emissions from tower steel, concrete foundations and additional assets required if each MNO built its own sites.

However, our operations both impact and are impacted by the natural environment. Our Sustainable Business Strategy identifies key environmental priorities that our businesses must address and is our framework for setting objectives. We are committed to reducing our fuel consumption, energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, as well as reducing waste and e-waste, and minimising any negative impacts our operations may have on the environment. Helios Towers has a carbon roadmap with a 2030 intensity reduction target and an ambition for Net Zero by 2040.

## **Environmental impacts**

We will work closely with our people, partners, suppliers and customers to protect the environment by:

- complying with our environmental management system (EMS) ISO 14001: 2015 standard requirements and any regulatory obligations regarding our environmental impacts
- providing colleagues and partners with the resources they need to fulfil EMS compliance requirements, commensurate with their roles
- addressing climate change mitigation and adaptation
- improving our energy efficiency and reducing our greenhouse gas emissions
- reducing the effects of noise and air pollution
- protecting biodiversity and ecosystems
- minimising waste generated from our operations, particularly hazardous waste, and increasing material recovery for re-use and recycling

- safely disposing of any substance or material that may cause harm to the environment
- ensuring that environmental footprint is considered in sourcing and providing goods and services
- promoting best management practice and environmental standards among our supplier partners
- continually monitoring our environmental performance and transparently reporting on performance metrics annually.

## **Continual improvement**

We are committed to engaging with stakeholders to ensure we improve our EMS to deliver environmental and energy best practice. We communicate this policy to our colleagues, partners and suppliers and review it on an annual basis.

In addressing these environmental impacts, Helios Towers and its operating companies are expected to achieve and maintain ISO 14001: 2015 accreditation and become industry leaders in the countries of operation for maintaining high environmental standards. We also encourage our maintenance partners to achieve and maintain these standards.

The Helios Towers Executive Leadership Team is fully committed to the implementation of this policy and a high standard of environmental management. Responsibility for meeting these commitments is shared by all colleagues. They are required to comply with this policy together with any other measures the company uses to manage its environmental impact.

Authorised by:

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