

# Environmental and social responsibility

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## Responsible business

Stora Enso is committed to developing its business towards ecological, social and economic sustainability. These tasks are recognised as shared responsibilities within Stora Enso enabling a continuous improvement of our operations.

## Eco-perspective

Stora Enso's objective is to supply customers with products and services that satisfy various needs related to printed communication, packaging and construction purposes. These products are mainly produced from renewable raw materials, and are recyclable and safe to use.

The concept of product life cycle guides our environmental activities and provides the framework for our efforts. We expect the same commitment from our suppliers and partners so that at every stage, from raw material to the end product, the impact on the environment will be minimised.

## Social respect

As an international company, Stora Enso acknowledges its role as a model company in the global, national and local society. Our attitude shall be characterised by respect for the cultures, customs and values of individuals and groups in countries where we operate. When developing our business to earn credibility, we will comply with and when necessary go beyond the requirements of national standards and legislation.

## Transparent interaction

In order to continuously strengthen our operations and develop environmental and social issues in a sustainable way, Stora Enso considers an open discussion and interaction with all stakeholders, both governmental and non-governmental, as fundamental.

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