

ENERGY COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY¹

The Energy Community Secretariat is an institution established by the Energy Community Treaty. In view of the Treaty and the organization's commitment towards the sustainable use of energy, the Energy Community Secretariat has a duty to protect the environment in which it operates.

The Energy Community Secretariat therefore fully commits to:

- continuously improve its environmental performance across all of its internal activities and encourage Energy Community stakeholders and the wider community to do the same; and
- comply with the relevant environmental regulations of its host country.

For this purpose, the Energy Community Secretariat will take steps to develop its Environmental Management System (EMS) in accordance with the Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS) Regulation.

The Secretariat recognises its key environmental impacts within the scope of its EMS, under which it is committed to:

- Identify the direct and indirect environmental impacts of its activities;
- Adopt relevant environmental standards and requirements in the areas with significant environmental impact; and
- Conduct regular reviews of its internal activities and identify areas to continuously improve its environmental performance.

More specifically, the Energy Community Secretariat shall strive to:

- Promote the efficient use of energy
- Reduce carbon dioxide emissions, with particular emphasis on traveling
- Reduce energy and water consumption at its premises;
- Reduce material consumption and achieve sustainable waste management;
- Apply environmental criteria in its procurement;
- Apply green event principles in its event management; and
- Encourage, train and involve staff to achieve these goals.

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¹ according to the [EMAS Regulation](#)



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