

Addendum Compliance Policy: SDG Policy

This SDG policy is a supplementary policy document to the Compliance Compass (CC-01) of Leeuwerik Plaat B.V. It provides a thematic elaboration on the contribution to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and specifies how international standards, certifications, and regulations are linked to sustainable development objectives within the organization.

Safeguarding

- Compliance Compass (CC-01) – overarching framework;
- Procurement Policy (CC-02) – guidelines for legal, sustainable, and certified sourcing;
- Declaration of Conformity (CC-03) – binding compliance obligations for supply chain partners;
- Traceability Statement (CC-04) – traceable transaction.

SDG- linkages

The table below shows the direct link between the standards, regulations, and certifications and the relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

Provision	Relevant SDG's	Relevant clauses
FSC	12, 13, 15, 8, 10	FSC-STD-01-001 V5-2: Principles and criteria
PEFC	12, 13, 15, 8	PEFC ST 1003:2018: Requirements
EUTR	12, 15, 16	Regulation 995/2010: art. 4-6, cons. 3, 7
EUDR	12, 13, 15, 16	Regulation 2023/1115: art. 3, 9, 30, Bijl. II
ISO 14001	12, 13, 15, 4, 16	Sections: 6.1.2, 6.1.4, 8.1, 7.2
ISO 26000	1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16	Sections: 6.2-6.8

Compliance

The compliance with the SDG objectives is substantively and legally embedded in the integrated compliance framework of Leeuwerik Plaat. This includes:

- a robust Due Diligence System (DDS) with info gathering, risk management and due diligence statements;
- exclusion of deforestation, conflict, and risk sources in the Procurement Policy (CC-02);
- and supervision and capacity building under the mandate of a compliance manager (MT).

Infographic

The infographic below explicitly shows the connection to a selection of SDGs..

SDG 1 No poverty	✓
SDG 3 Good health and well-being	✓
SDG 4 Quality education	✓
SDG 5 Gender equality	✓
SDG 8 Decent work & economic growth	✓
SDG 10 Reduced inequalities	✓
SDG 12 Responsible consumption & production	✓
SDG 13 Climate action	✓
SDG 15 Life on land	✓
SDG 16 Peace, justice & strong institutions	✓


Contribution

- SDG 1 and 4 (indirectly): by actively promoting socially just trade practices such as the exclusion of child labor, guaranteeing fair wages, freedom of association, and safe working conditions, as well as structurally investing in knowledge sharing, training, and capacity building for employees and supply chain partners. These elements are explicitly anchored in ISO 26000, the social declaration within the compliance policy, and the mandatory compliance instruments such as the Declaration of Conformity.
- SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-being: by structurally ensuring healthy and safe working conditions such as implementing sector-specific RI&E policies, access to first aid, deployment of certified prevention officers, and physical and mental health safeguards throughout the entire supply chain. ISO 26000 (Sections 6.4.6 and 6.8.8) supports this approach. Harmful working conditions, exposure to toxic substances, unhygienic workplaces, and unsafe situations are explicitly excluded in Leeuwerik Plaat's compliance policy.
- SDG 5 – Gender Equality: gender equality is explicitly embedded in the organization's social and ethical framework. Discrimination based on gender, pregnancy, gender identity or sexual orientation is prohibited. The organization promotes inclusivity, fair treatment, and equal access to employment and development opportunities within its own organization and across the supply chain. ISO 26000 (Sections 6.3.7 and 6.4.3) serves as a guiding framework. These principles are embedded in the social declaration of the compliance policy (CC01), the Declaration of Conformity (CC03), and supplier obligation policies.
- SDG 8 and 10: promoting decent work, safe working conditions, non-discrimination, and equal opportunities within the supply chain through the application of ISO 26000 (Sections 6.3 and 6.4), compliance with ILO core conventions, FPIC obligations, social audit criteria within FSC/PEFC, and strict adherence to the social declaration as set out in the compliance policy and the Declaration of Conformity of Leeuwerik Plaat.
- SDG 12: ensuring responsible production and consumption through legal and operational compliance with traceability, risk management, and certification. This includes the implementation of a robust Due Diligence System (DDS), mandatory traceability declarations (CC-04), supplier obligations (CC-03), plot-level chain control, and the structural application of external certifications such as FSC, PEFC, ISO 14001, in accordance with EUTR and EUDR regulations.
- SDG 13: mitigating climate change by preventing deforestation (EUDR), reducing greenhouse gas emissions through low-emission processes and energy efficiency (ISO 14001), and strengthening natural carbon sinks such as forests through certified sustainable forest management (FSC, PEFC).
- SDG 15: protecting forests, natural habitats, and biodiversity by applying FSC- and PEFC-certified wood, excluding sources from ILF (Intact Forest Landscapes), HCVF (High Conservation Value Forests), and areas with deforestation or forest degradation after 31-12-2020. Compliance with EUTR and EUDR obligations such as

georeferencing, harvest location, and origin verification ensures ecological integrity and supports global ecosystem preservation.

- SDG 16: strengthening the rule of law, chain transparency, and responsible governance through mandatory compliance with due diligence processes (DDS), full chain information, access to audit mechanisms, and legal anchoring through the Declaration of Conformity (CC-03), Traceability Statement (CC-04), and the Procurement Policy (CC-02). These measures support the prevention of corruption, fraud, deception, and legal violations, in accordance with EUTR, EUDR, and ISO 26000.

Leeuwerik regards its SDG policy as a dynamic framework for continuous improvement. Periodic reviews and external audits form the foundation for safeguarding impact, ensuring compliance, and contributing to a holistic, future-proof policy.

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Any concerns about non-compliance with this compliance policy can be submitted via the website.

