





SUSTAINABLE
PERFORMANCE
REVIEW 2023



## **OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH**

Dear employees, customers and partners,

ISTOBAL continues to drive innovation and cutting-edge technology to offer solutions that improve our customers' profitability, while optimising the social and environmental impact of our global operations.

Our constant focus on innovation has positioned us as a leader in the vehicle wash & care industry, promoting more sustainable practices in three key areas: transparency and governance, the protection of the planet and corporate social responsibility. We recognise the importance of driving positive change for society and the environment, fostering the well-being of the local communities where we operate.

We made significant progress with our Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) initiatives in 2023. When compared with 2022, we supports sustainability, innovation and social well-being. have reduced our CO2 emissions by 14% by implementing more efficient technologies and transitioning to renewable energy sources at our facilities. We have also reduced the water consumption of our washing processes by 20% by recycling water and optimising our systems. In addition, we have increased the use of solar energy at our plants, reaching 25% of our total energy consumption, compared with 15% in 2022.

We have strengthened our partnerships with local communities, supporting educational and environmental projects, and increasing our investment by 30% compared with the previous year. We have also launched new eco-friendly product lines that have been very well received by our customers, reflecting our commitment to sustainability and continuous innovation.

This Performance Review shows the significant progress recorded for our initiatives and commitments. These achievements are just the beginning. Our commitment to sustainable growth remains a strategic priority. We are determined to continue improving our sustainable practices and lead the way towards a greener and fairer future, adapting to change. We will continue to work with all our stakeholders to foster an environment that

I would like to thank the entire ISTOBAL team for their true dedication and continuous efforts, and our customers and partners for their trust and support. Together, we can create a positive and lasting legacy for future generations.





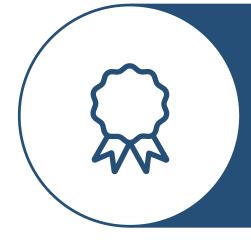








# **Our Organisational Strategy**



Healthy **profitability** driven by an improved operating margin for key markets and services.



**Rapid adaptations** to market changes (driving direct sales and optimise services).



The hard-hitting impact of rising interest rates on equipment sales, and more stable operating and product costs.



Consolidated growth in **services** providing leverage for profitability.



Digitalization is key to improving efficiency and driving business growth.



ISTOBAL's first **Sustainability Report** provided a basis for internal cultural change.





75 years of experience

900+ employees

13 subsidiaries

• **€156 M in turnover** in 2023

■ 80+ countries rely on our solutions

70% of production sold internationally

# Global and sustainable solutions and services able to ensure healthy profits





# Milestones in line with our sustainable commitment for 2023









## **ENVIRONMENT**

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION

Certified according to ISO 14001

TONNES OF CO2
EQUIVALENTS REDUCED BY

14%

IN TOTAL (Carbon Footprint)

CARDBOARD PACKAGING
USE REDUCED BY

14%

IN TOTAL

POWER CONSUMPTION REDUCED BY

20%

IN TOTAL

**18.43%** of power used was sourced from self-consumed photovoltaic power.

## GOVERNANCE

## QUALITY SYSTEMS

Certified according to ISO 9001

**O**PENALTIES AND
WHISTLEBLOWING

ON ESG TOPICS

**CODE OF ETHICS AND ETHICS CHANNEL** 







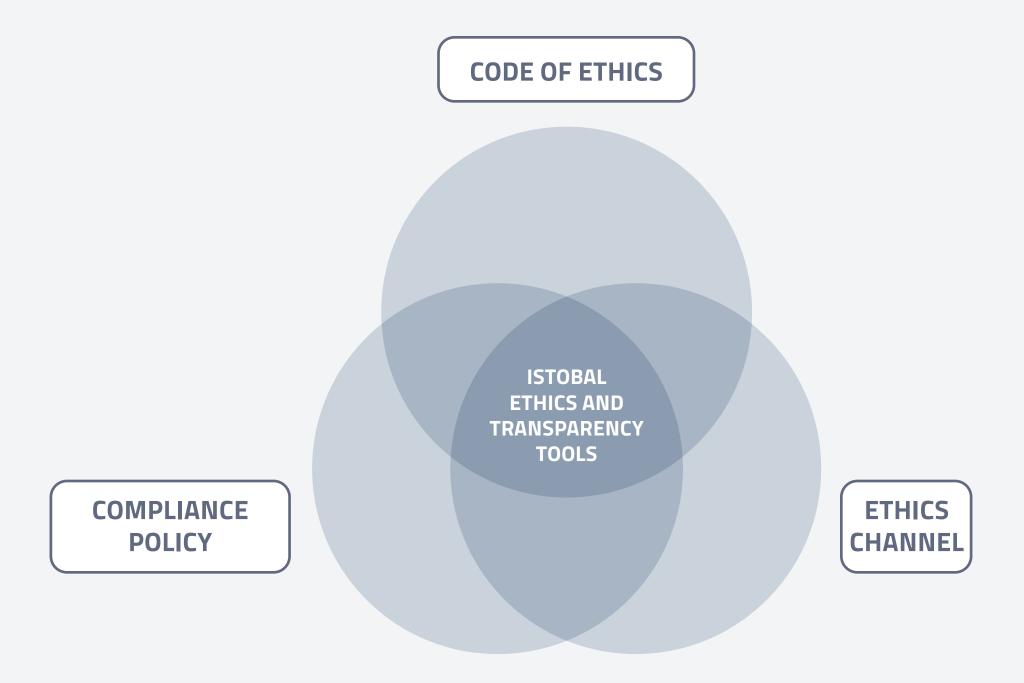
# Our governance structure

#### WE PROMOTE TRANSPARENT PRACTICES

No penalties were initiated during financial years **2022** and **2023**.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT (2023)**

- Global economic crisis.
- No digitalization for complex processes.
- New technologies must be integrated at an accelerated rate.
- Suppliers are dependent on strategic components.
- Demand for services is limited on some markets.
- Operations are limited in Germany.



Providing clear and accurate information on all of our activities and solutions is a key principle in our relationship with all our stakeholders.





#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE MODEL

Our corporate governance model is based on three bodies, the **Steering Committee**, the **Management board** and the **Board of Shareholders**.



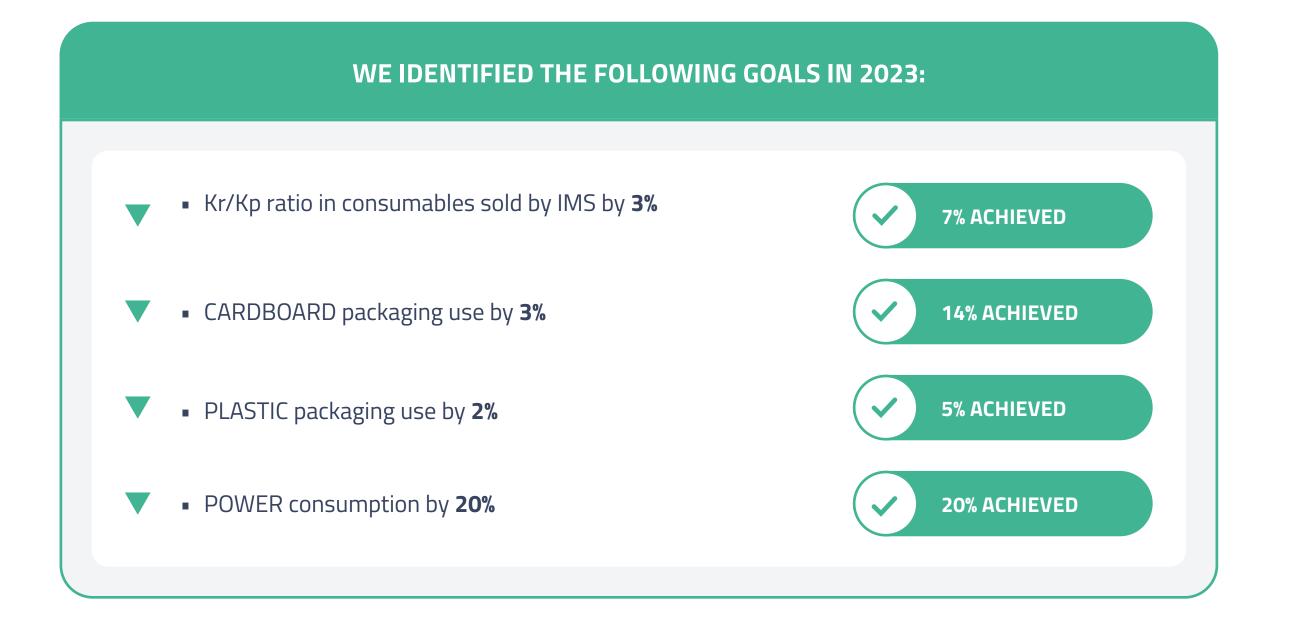




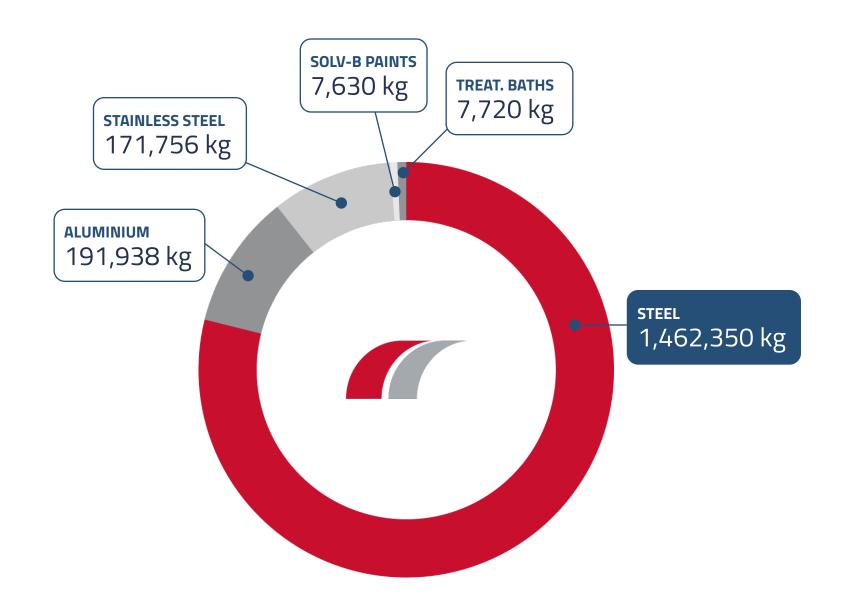
# Our commitment to the environment

At ISTOBAL, we consider the excellence of our products and services as our priority, along with safety and the protection of our equipment, which are fundamental cornerstones for growth.

We also recognise that our operations have environmental and social impacts that, if not effectively managed and reduced, can compromise environmental sustainability. For this reason, ISTOBAL is committed to protecting the environment by implementing various policies and procedures in our daily operations in our surrounding environment.



#### Our main use of raw material in 2023



Raw materials	2023 (kg)	2022 (kg)
Steel	1,406,533	1,462,350
Aluminium	191,938	265,006
Stainless steel	171,756	205,261
Solvent-based paints	7,630	12,621
Treatment baths	7,720	10,540

Our environmental management is based on best practices and processes meeting the highest environmental standards, as we constantly aim to reduce our impact. Thanks to our constant improvements, our approach is more efficient and sustainable, ensuring responsible growth on a global scale.

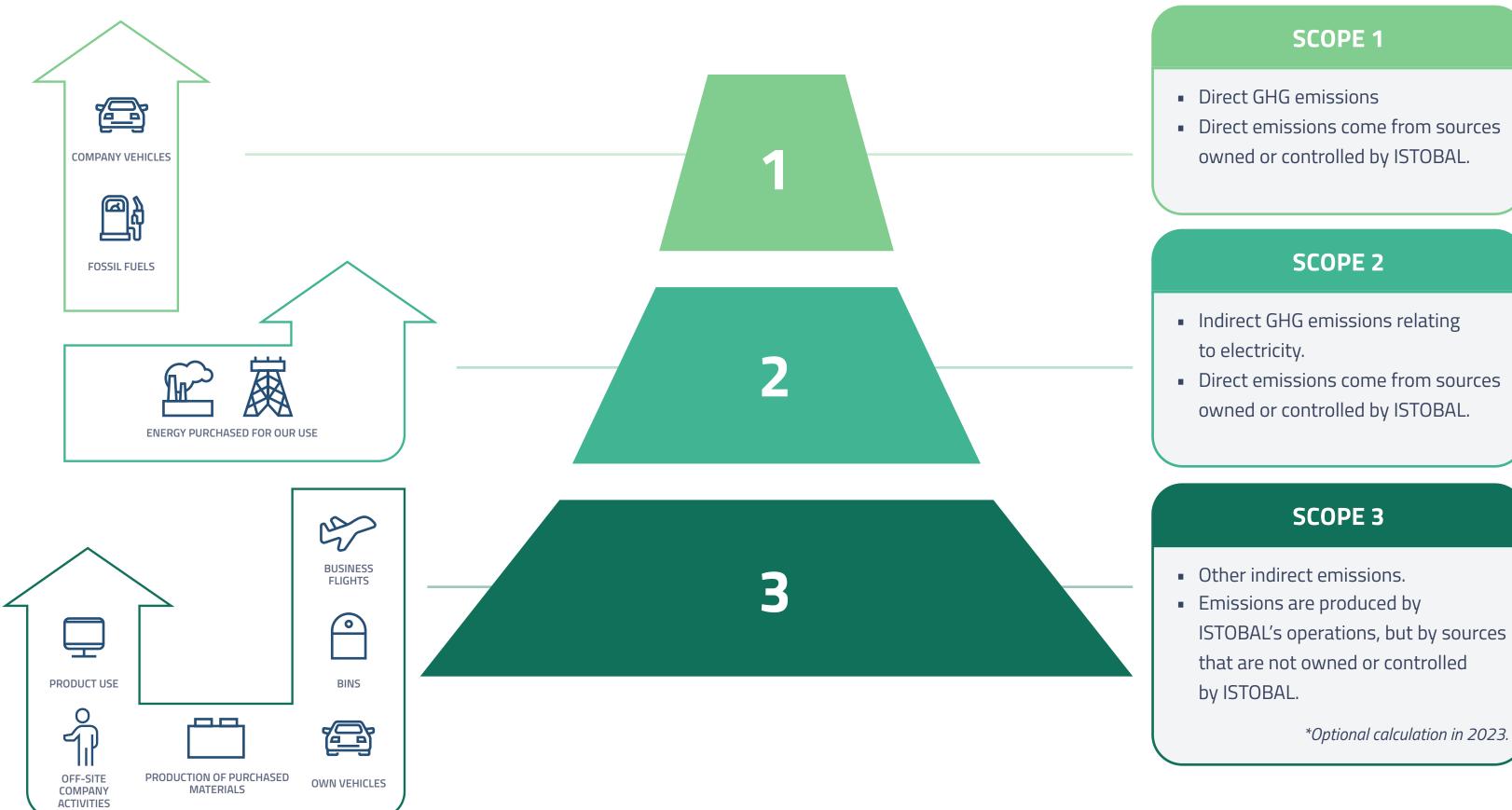
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	2023 (kg)	2022 (kg)
Mixed waste	136.29	201.08
Wood	64.6	59.8
Inert waste	121.16	121
Paper & Cardboard	39.2	62.24
RNP Paint Dust	18.39	18.93
Zinc ash	4.98	14.69
Power cables	8.43	14.69
Aluminium scrap	3.58	3.07
Zinc mattes	4.02	7.16
Stainless steel scrap	0.44	3.79
Other	0.16	1.36
Total	401.73	500.7

Hazardous waste		
	2023 (kg)	2022 (kg)
Contaminated cloths and absorbent materials	20.06	12.44
Empty degreasing baths	13.65	29.07
Contaminated cloths and absorbent materials	0.04	0.79
Empty pickling baths	32.17	_
Car wash water	18.63	37.83
Pasty paints and varnishes	4.93	7.33
Water purification sludge	6.23	6.78
Contaminated plastic containe	ers 2.41	2.53
Contaminated cardboard	2	1.66
Contaminated metal containe	<b>rs</b> 1.62	1.53
Waste oil	0.25	0.46
Other	0.9	0.89
Total	102.88	101.57

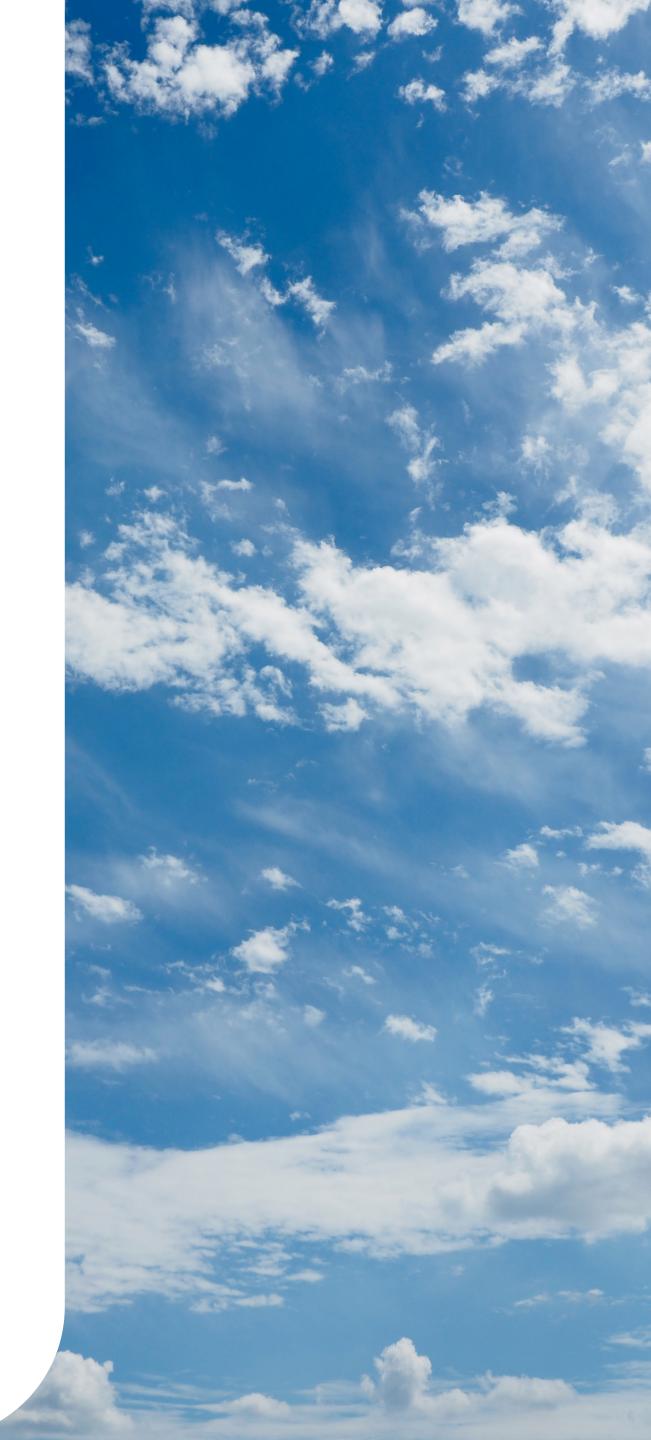




# **Changes to our ISTOBAL** carbon footprint



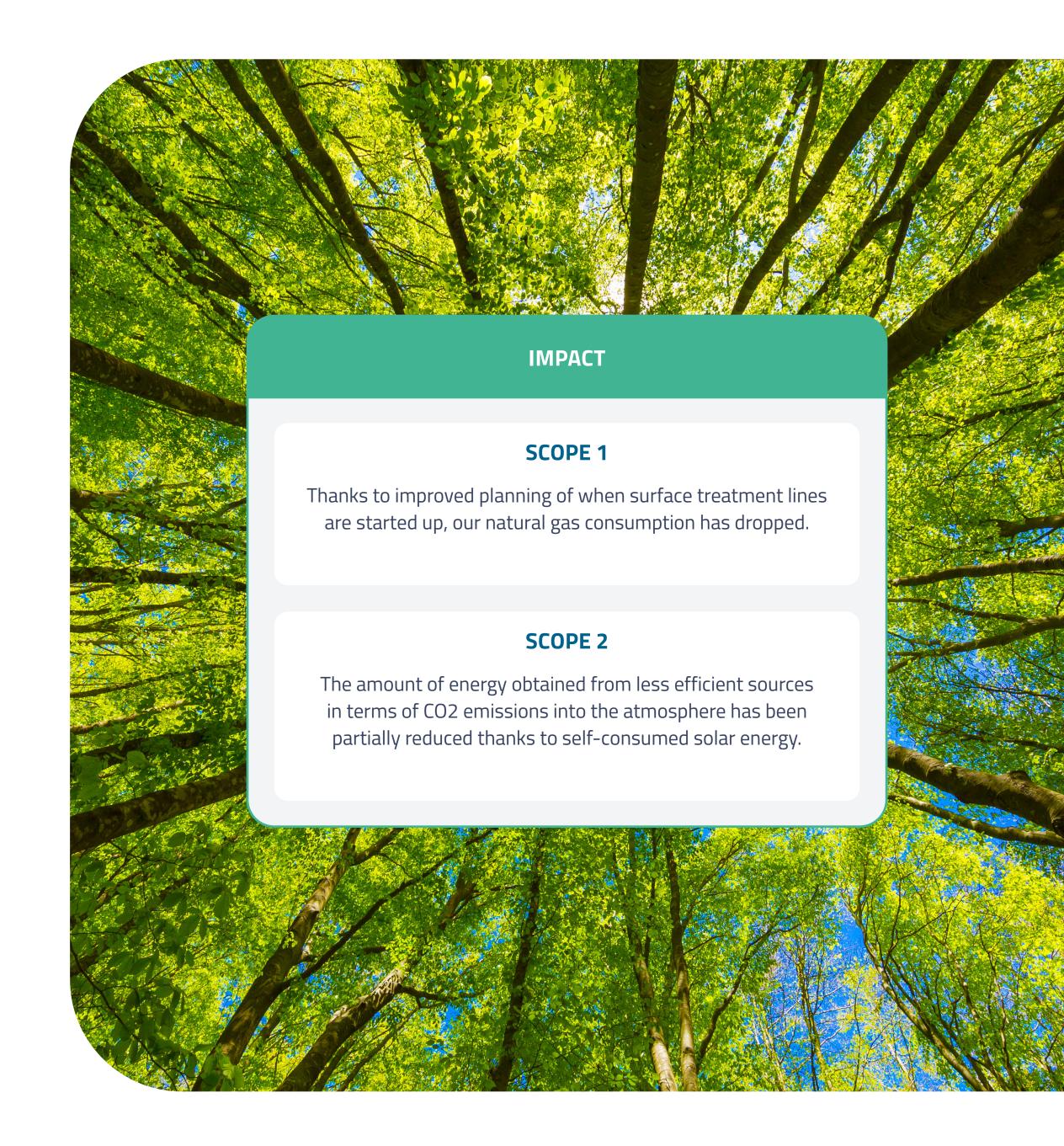
ISTOBAL's operations, but by sources





	SCOPE 1: DIRECT	EMISSIONS	
	2023	2022	Variation
Fixed equipment	757.47	911.81	-16.90%
TAS IES vehicles	847.53	846.97	0.07%
Fugitive (AA)	1.13	12.5	-91.04%
Total Scope 1	1,606.12	1,771.28	-9.36%
SCOPE 2: INDIRECT EMISSIONS			
Power Consumption	600.39	796.13	-24.62%
Total Scope 2	600.39	796.13	-24.62%
Total Scope 1 + 2	2,206.51	2,567.41	-14.03%
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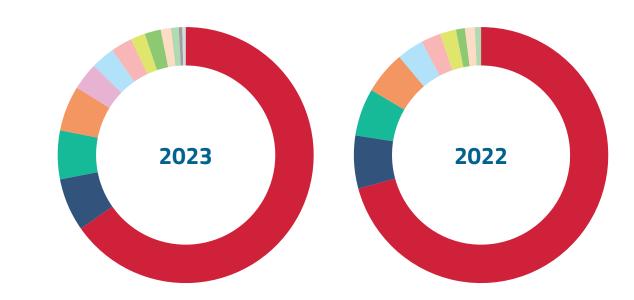




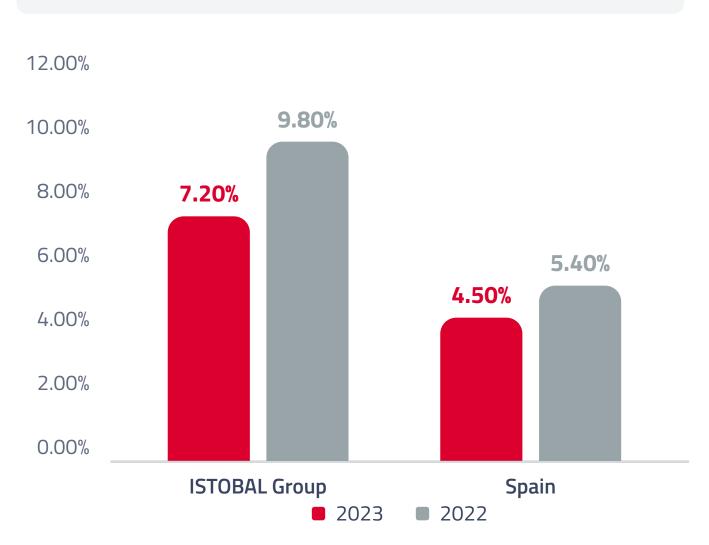


# **Employees by country**

Total number and distribution of employees by country on 31 December 2023 and 2022:



### Comparing employees turnover 2022-2023



### Number of employees

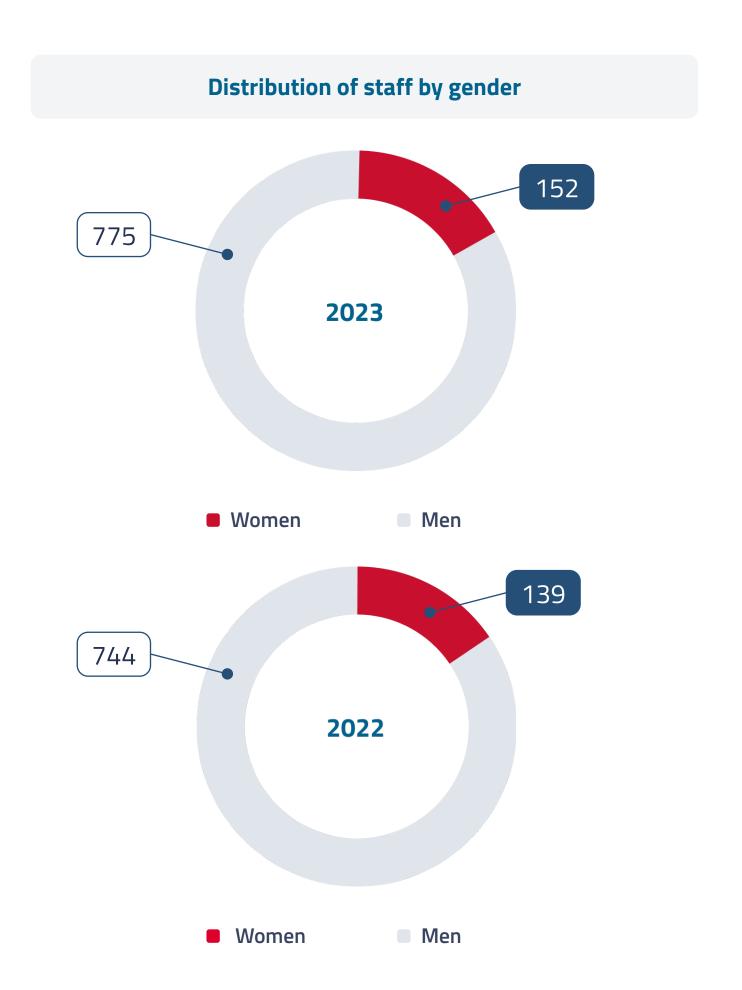
	2023	2022
Spain	605	625
<ul><li>United Kingdom</li></ul>	62	59
USA	57	53
Denmark	53	48
Hungary*	32	-
Austria	28	30
Brazil	25	22
Sweden	17	18
China	19	10
Portugal	12	11
Italy	9	7
■ France*	4	-
■ Poland*	4	-
Total	927	883

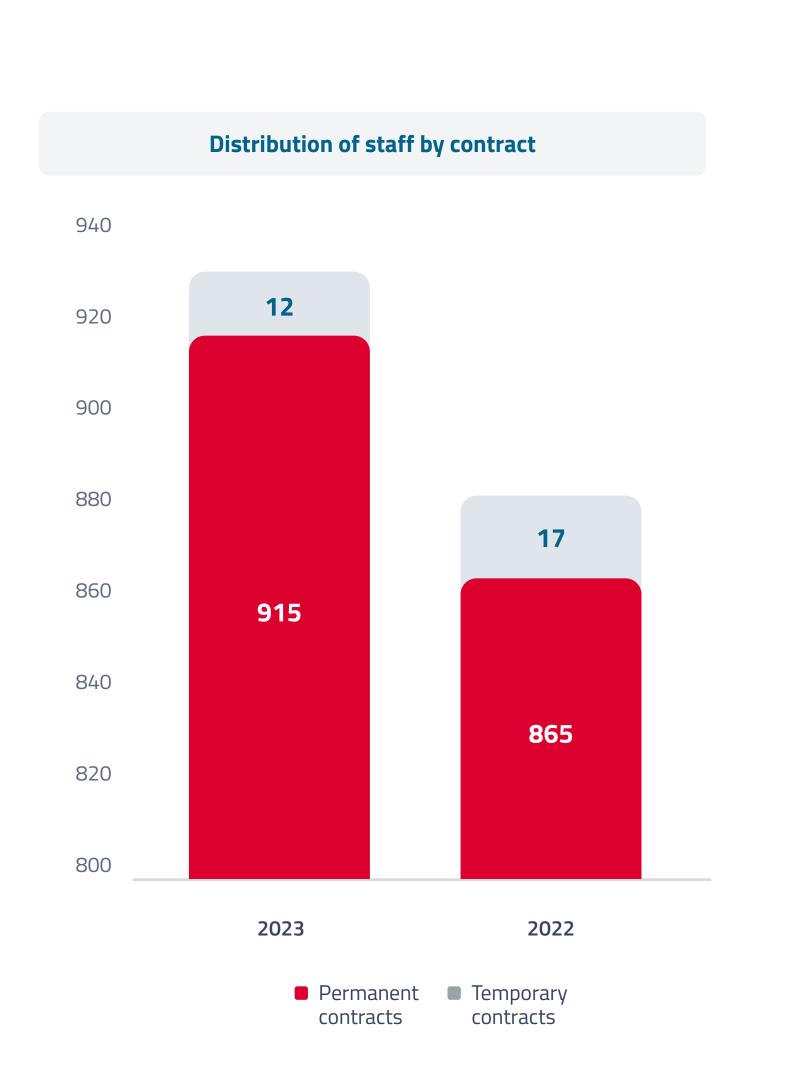
\*FTE (Full-Time Equivalent).





# **Progress in ISTOBAL statistics**

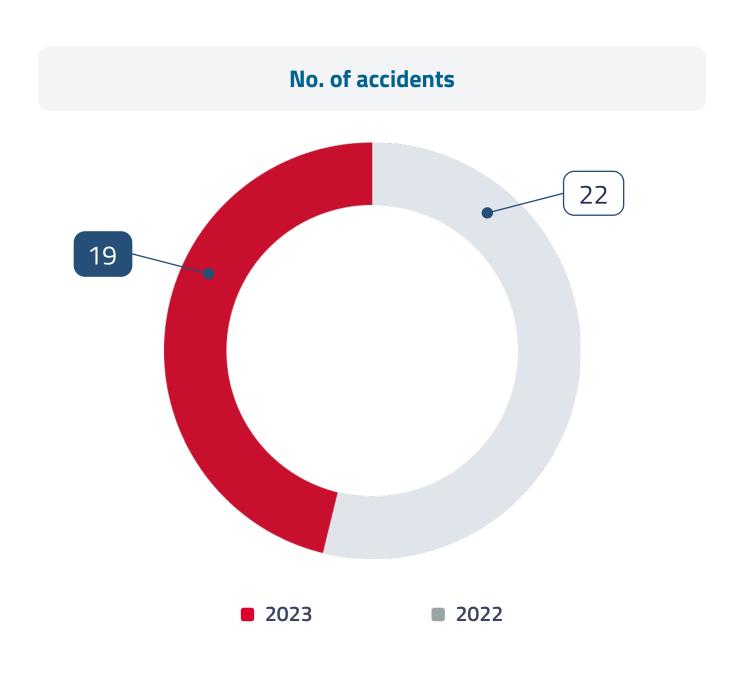


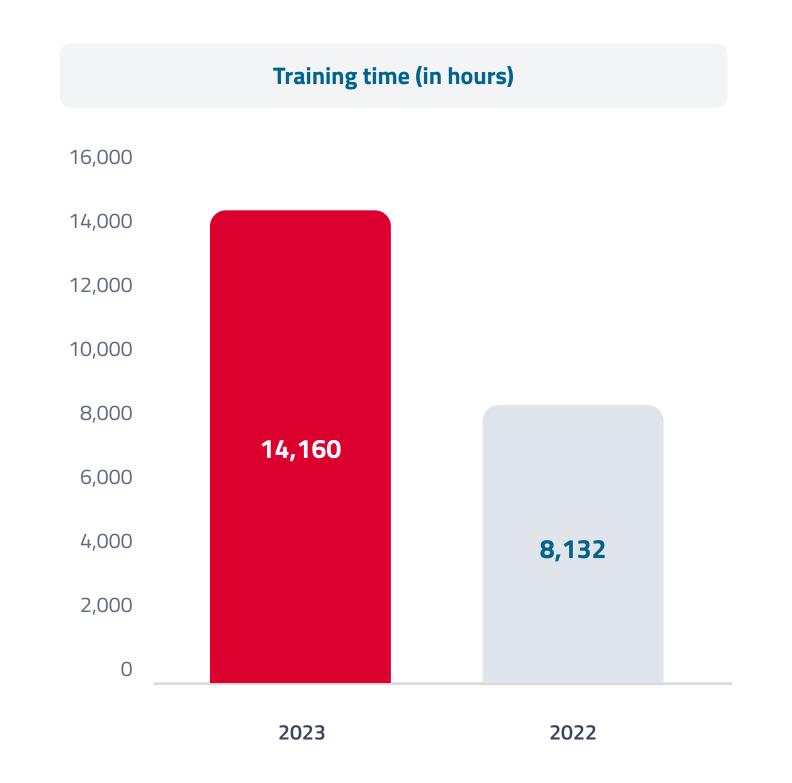


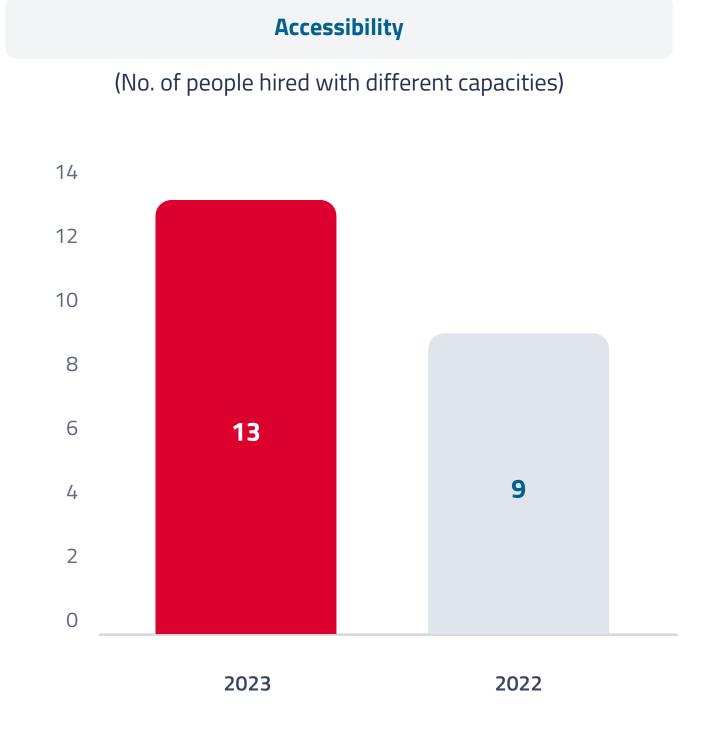
















## **Social commitments**

We demonstrate our social commitments by supporting sport, encouraging teamwork, supporting education and technological innovation, and via our strong commitment to our host communities, as we voluntarily help with local projects aiming to improve quality of life.

We aim to actively show our commitment to our host community, primarily by supporting programs, groups and events aiming to promote collective well-being in theory and practice.

Main contributions by ISTOBAL in 2023		
	2023	
L'Alcudia Easter Week	€350	
COTIF Championship	€17,000	
ISTOBAL Chair and UPV contributions	€32,750	
Total	€50,000	

We continue to jointly support programs such as Operación Consolida, an initiative launched by the Association of Young Valencian Entrepreneurs to drive the growth and consolidation of companies in our Local community which have the potential to grow and could learn from well-known Valencian firms.





ISTOBAL received several awards and similar throughout 2023 for its commitment to innovation in the car wash industry. These awards highlight the excellence of its products and its position as a leader in the sector.



#### **AWARDS AND SIMILAR IN 2023**

#### THE FEMEVAL AWARD

The FEMEVAL Innovation Award.

#### THE MIA AWARD

The MIA Award for Best Digital Marketing Strategy.

