

Independent Assurance Report



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Independent Assurance Report on 2018 Sustainability Report of Acciona, S.A.

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To the Management of Acciona, S.A.:

We have been engaged by the management of ACCIONA, S.A. (hereinafter ACCIONA) to provide reasonable and limited assurance on the non-financial information contained in the Sustainability Report for the year ended 31 December 2018 (hereinafter "the Report").

The indicators covered by reasonable assurance are GRI 102-8, GRI 102-41, GRI 202-1, GRI 202-2, GRI 204-1, GRI 302-1, GRI 304-1, GRI 305-1, GRI 305-2, GRI 305-4, GRI 305-7, GRI 401-1, GRI 401-3, GRI 403-1, GRI 403-4, GRI 404-1, GRI 404-2, GRI 404-3, GRI 405-1, GRI 405-2, GRI 410-1, GRI 412-2, on the quantitative information derived from these indicators, related to the progress on complying with 2020 Sustainability Master Plan objectives (hereinafter SMP 2020), and on the qualitative information related to the progress on complying with Sustainability Master Plan objectives. The indicators covered by limited assurance comprise the other indicators described in the GRI Index of the Report.

ACCIONA Management responsibilities

ACCIONA management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Report in accordance with the Sustainability Reporting Standards of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI Standards), according to the comprehensive option, as described in point 102-54 of the GRI Index of the Report. It is also responsible for compliance with the Materiality Disclosure Service, obtaining confirmation from the Global Reporting Initiative on the proper application of these. Management is also responsible for the information and assertions contained within the Report; for the implementation of processes and procedures which adhere to the principles set out in the AA1000 AccountAbility Principles Standard 2018 (AA1000 AP 2018); for determining ACCIONA's objectives in respect of the selection and presentation of sustainable development performance, including the identification of stakeholders and material issues; and for establishing and maintaining appropriate performance management and internal control systems from which the reported performance information is derived.

These responsibilities include establishing such controls as management determines are necessary to enable the preparation of limited and reasonable assurance indicators that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.



Our responsibility

Our responsibility is to carry out a review to provide reasonable assurance on the preparation and presentation of the indicators GRI 102-8, GRI 102-41, GRI 202-1, GRI 202-2, GRI 204-1, GRI 302-1, GRI 304-1, GRI 305-1, GRI 305-2, GRI 305-4, GRI 305-7, GRI 401-1, GRI 401-3, GRI 403-1, GRI 403-4, GRI 404-1, GRI 404-2, GRI 404-3, GRI 405-1, GRI 405-2, GRI 410-1, GRI 412-2, a limited assurance review on the preparation and presentation of the other indicators within the review scope, and to express a conclusion based on the work performed.

We conducted our engagement in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000, "Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information", issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB) and with the Performance Guide on the revision of Corporate Responsibility Reports of the Instituto de Censores Jurados de Cuentas de España (ICJCE). These standards require that we plan and perform the engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the report is free from material misstatement.

KPMG applies International Standard on Quality Control 1 (ISQC1) and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants issued by the Internal Ethics Standards Board for Accountants, which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour.

We have also conducted our engagement in accordance with Accountability Assurance Standard AA1000 AS 2008 (Type 2), which covers not only the nature and extent of the organization adherence to the AA1000 AP, but also evaluates the reliability of performance information as indicated in the scope.

Reasonable assurance over reasonable assurance indicators

The procedures selected in our reasonable assurance engagement depend on our judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the indicators whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, we have considered internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the indicators in order to design assurance procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing a conclusion as to the effectiveness of ACCIONA's internal control over the preparation and presentation of the Report.

Our engagement also includes assessing the appropriateness of the indicators with the criteria of the Global Reporting Initiative's Sustainability Reporting Standards (GRI Standards), obtaining an understanding of the compilation of the financial and non-financial information to the sources from which it was obtained, evaluating the reasonableness of estimates made by ACCIONA, and re-computation of the calculations of the reasonable assurance indicators.



Limited assurance over limited assurance indicators

Our limited assurance engagement consisted of making enquiries of management and persons responsible for the preparation of information presented in the Report, and applying analytical and other evidence gathering procedures. These procedures included:

- Verification of ACCIONA's processes for determining the material issues, and the participation of stakeholder groups therein.
- Interviews with management and relevant staff at group level and selected business unit level concerning sustainability strategy and policies and corporate responsibility for material issues, and the implementation of these across the business of ACCIONA.
- Evaluation through interviews concerning the consistency of the description of the application of ACCIONA's policies and strategy on sustainability, governance, ethics and integrity.
- Risk analysis, including searching the media to identify material issues during the year covered by the Report.
- Review of the consistency of information comparing Universal Standards with internal systems and documentation.
- Analysis of the processes of compiling and internal control over quantitative data reflected in the Report, regarding the reliability of the information, by using analytical procedures and review testing based on sampling.
- Review of ten sites through visits and remote review, selected on the basis of a risk analysis including the consideration of both quantitative and qualitative criteria.
- Review of the application of the Global Reporting Initiative's Sustainability Reporting Standards requirements in accordance with the comprehensive option.
- Reading the information presented in the Report to determine whether it is in line with our overall knowledge of, and experience with, the sustainability performance of ACCIONA.
- Verification that the financial information reflected in the Report was audited by independent third parties.

Our multidisciplinary team included specialists in AA1000 AP, stakeholder group dialogue and in social, environmental and economic business performance.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is lower than that of a reasonable assurance engagement. This report may not be taken as an auditor's report.

Conclusions

Our conclusion has been formed on the basis of, and is subject to, the matters outlined in this Independent Review Report. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusions.



In our opinion, the indicators GRI 102-8, GRI 102-41, GRI 202-1, GRI 202-2, GRI 204-1, GRI 302-1, GRI 304-1, GRI 305-1, GRI 305-2, GRI 305-4, GRI 305-7, GRI 401-1, GRI 401-3, GRI 403-1, GRI 403-4, GRI 404-1, GRI 404-2, GRI 404-3, GRI 405-1, GRI 405-2, GRI 410-1, GRI 412-2, the quantitative information derived from these indicators, related to the progress on complying with Sustainability Master Plan objectives, and the qualitative information related to the progress on complying with Sustainability Master Plan objectives, reviewed with reasonable assurance, are prepared and presented, in all material aspects, in accordance with the Sustainability Reporting Standards of the Global Reporting Initiative as described in point 102-54 of the GRI Index, including the reliability of data, adequacy of the information presented and the absence of significant deviations and omissions.

Based on the limited assurance procedures performed and the evidence obtained, as described above, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the limited assurance indicators have not in all material respects, been prepared and presented in accordance with the Sustainability Reporting Standards of the Global Reporting Initiative as described in point 102-54 of the GRI Index, including the reliability of data, adequacy of the information presented and the absence of significant deviations and omissions.

Additionally, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that as a result of ACCIONA implementing the procedures described in sections 102-43 and 102-44 of the GRI Index Report, any material issues have been omitted as applies to the principles of inclusivity, materiality and responsiveness as included in the AA1000 AccountAbility Principles Standard 2008.

Under separate cover, we will provide ACCIONA management with an internal report outlining our complete findings and areas for improvement.

Without prejudice to our conclusions presented above, we present some of the key observations and areas for improvement below:

In relation to the INCLUSIVITY principle

The 2020 Sustainability Master Plan of ACCIONA (hereinafter, SMP 2020) includes the main channels of dialogue with company's stakeholders. In addition, the company carries out specific inquiries during the different phases of the life cycle of the business projects, performing external audits for the correct implementation of the measures proposed. During 2018, the social impact management procedure was raised to the rank of corporate standard. This standard includes the minimum performance criteria for the social Management of the projects, responding to the expectations of the company's stakeholders. In this sense, and in the context of this standard, it would be recommended implement measures related to the prioritization of the stakeholders involved.

In relation to the MATERIALITY principle

ACCIONA performs an annual materiality analysis that covers all of the company's business. For each of the business, different national and international prescribers are considered related to the different activities, obtaining different materiality matrixes. However, the identified material issues have not been updated with respect to the latest editions. It would be recommended to establish and adapt the list based on potential new relevant issues derived from market macro-trends.



In relation to the RESPONSIVENESS principle

In 2018 ACCIONA Sustainability Report, the objectives and commitments set out in the SMP 2020 are answered annually. As an orientation to the improvement and due to the new mercantile norm in force related to the disclosure of non-financial information and diversity, the commitments and objectives present in the Plan could be prioritized in order to focus the new expectations on this type of information for the stakeholders. In addition to this, it would be recommended to continue advancing in the alignment of the contents of the Report to guarantee that all detected material issues are reported.

In relation to the IMPACT principle

ACCIONA conducts the identification, evaluation and management of the most significant impacts generated through its activity in the geographies in which it operates. The company links this impact with its contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals through the commitments acquired in the SMP 2020. In addition, ACCIONA has the Social Impact Management Standard that identifies the positive and negative impacts that are generated in local communities and their areas of influence. However, the company could advance in the inclusion of a scorecard for the management, reporting and monitoring of key indicators.

Purpose of our report

In accordance with the terms of our engagement, this Independent Assurance Report has been prepared for ACCIONA in relation to its 2018 Sustainability Report and for no other purpose or in any other context.

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(Signed on original in Spanish)

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