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**At Corbion, we exist to champion preservation in all its forms, preserving food and food production, health, and our planet. Our aim is not to maintain the status quo, but rather to find new and better ways of operating in a changing environment – to empower one another, and the world, to do more with less.**

Our commitment to operating in an environmentally responsible manner is fundamental to who we are as an organization. As such, striving to minimize and mitigate the impact of our Operations is vital. We are continuously seeking to improve our environmental performance by minimizing the use of raw materials, energy and water, the emission of greenhouse gases, and the production of waste. Measuring and reporting on our impact guides us towards implementing the best practices at all of our facilities. Additionally, sharing relevant knowledge and expertise with our suppliers, customers and other partners is another key responsibility, along with complying with all legally applicable environmental requirements.

Water is an essential resource for the planet, and for industry, agriculture and energy production. We impact the water cycle through the water we extract, consume and discharge in our own operations and indirectly through the raw materials and energy that we use.

The majority of the water consumption in Corbion's value chain is in agriculture ([Sustainable Agriculture Policy](#)). Water does not constitute a primary component in our products, and we are not operating in the most water-intensive sectors. In our manufacturing processes, fermentation is the most water-intensive step. A large part of the water used is recovered in the purification process and either re-used or discharged for wastewater treatment.

The goal of Corbion's water policy is to preserve the planet by implementing sustainable practices and reducing our impact on water resources.



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## To preserve water resources, we are committed to

- ▶ Assessing our impact on water and marine resources by identifying and mitigating risks and opportunities.
- ▶ Implement water management practices, striving to minimize water consumption, reduce effluents and prevent pollution, and conduct incident investigations followed by corrective actions to address any water-related deviations.
- ▶ Reducing water consumption in our own operations at high-risk locations, by decreasing water withdrawals, minimizing water discharge, and/or increasing water recycling.
- ▶ Working with our suppliers and other stakeholders to manage water resources throughout the value chain, with focus on relevant raw materials, sourced from high water risk areas ([supplier code](#)).
- ▶ Including sustainability assessments in our innovation process, to further minimize water use and pollution when developing new processes and products.
- ▶ Providing transparency on our water performance by measuring, monitoring and reporting relevant performance indicators for water and by disclosing the progress of our water stewardship program via the CDP Water questionnaire.
- ▶ Using water responsibly and adhering to all legally applicable environmental requirements.

Corbion's Executive Committee has overall responsibility for sustainability including Water. This includes the monitoring and management of material impacts, risks and opportunities, as well as the setting of targets and approving policies. Corbion's Sustainability Steering Committee, comprising the COO and CTO, oversees the development and implementation of our strategy to address Corbion's key sustainability impacts, risks, and opportunities (including on water), monitors progress versus targets, evaluates how we manage risks, and determines whether Corbion's targets are still aligned with the latest science. Progress is monitored regularly.