A2A LIFE COMPANY Biodiversity Policy

A2A Life Company, together with all its subsidiaries, recognises biodiversity as an essential asset of natural capital and a fundamental resource for addressing the impacts of climate change, preserving ecosystems, and supporting environmental and social resilience in the areas where it operates and also along its supply chain.

The Group is committed to sustaining a shared environmental culture and promoting a biodiversity-oriented business model, at both the strategic and operational levels, thereby ensuring that its actions generate value for the Group, the environment, and the local communities.

A2A Life Company commitment

Given the wide geographic distribution of its operations, A2A conducts Environmental Impact Assessment studies wherever required by regulatory procedures. Furthermore, the company maintains a georeferenced inventory of all assets and services relative to key biodiversity areas, such as Natura 2000 sites, Sites of Community Interest (SCI), and all protected areas of significant ecological interest for flora and fauna, and produces alert indexes to effectively manage potential interferences.

In line with this, A2A employs a mitigation hierarchy, prioritising operational solutions that result in low or zero environmental impact. When these measures are insufficient, the company explores alternative designs to prevent significant harm to flora and fauna. This approach aligns with the principle of Biodiversity No Net Loss and the European Taxonomy's Do No Significant Harm (DNSH) criterion regarding biodiversity protection.

In confirmation of this commitment, A2A monitors its impacts and dependencies on natural resources, adopting the Biodiversity Action Plan as a planning, monitoring, and management tool to guide and strengthen its conservation actions. At the same time, it generates positive value not only by reducing environmental pressures and restoring ecosystems, but also through offsetting initiatives.

The Group places particular emphasis on forest natural capital and implements measures to minimise the environmental impacts of its activities in wooded areas. This is especially critical when operating, either directly or through contractors, in fire-prone zones or during droughts.

Moreover, A2A Life Company is aware of potential indirect deforestation risks associated with its operations, and is committed to prioritizing the sourcing of recycled or certified cellulosic and wood materials (FSC - Forest Stewardship Council / PEFC - Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes), avoiding the use of goods derived from raw materials sourced from high-deforestation-risk areas, with the goal of achieving net-zero impact and ensuring it does not contribute to global deforestation.

A2A commits to establishing partnerships with key stakeholders to develop projects focused on environmental conservation, monitoring, and reporting, thereby fostering a shared commitment to sustainability.

Knowledge and awareness

A2A promotes and invests in biodiversity studies, including those conducted by third parties, with the objective of generating scientific knowledge and contributing to the conservation of the species listed in the IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) Red List, especially those at risk of extinction.

These initiatives aim to preserve and strengthen ecosystem health, also beyond the areas where the organisation operates, focusing on species or habitats of local, national, or community interest.

A2A commits to adopting the TNFD (Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosure) recommendations and integrating them into its disclosure process, with the aim of promoting transparent reporting on the management of biodiversity-related risks and opportunities.

To promote knowledge and awareness of biodiversity, A2A Life Company conducts information and education initiatives aimed at its stakeholders and ensures transparent reporting, with annual monitoring of processes and actions undertaken to preserve the environment.

Responsibility

This Policy serves as a guiding document for all Group companies, which adopt its principles within the scope of their activities and respective responsibilities, internally defining specific roles in line with their strategic directions.

A2A S.p.A. is responsible for the oversight and supervision of strategic matters related to biodiversity across the entire Group.