# DEVELOPING A FOCUSED APPROACH TO THE SDGs WORKSHOP



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## **SDGs AS A DESTINATION?**

# Healthy companies in a healthy world.





## **SDGs AS A LENS**

- Helps you focus, not just see more
- Use the lens to look at something; don't focus on the lens
- Not just what you see, but what you are going to do about it
- Can the SDGs give you insight into risks and opportunities?





## **MINDFULNESS VS. INTENTIONALITY**

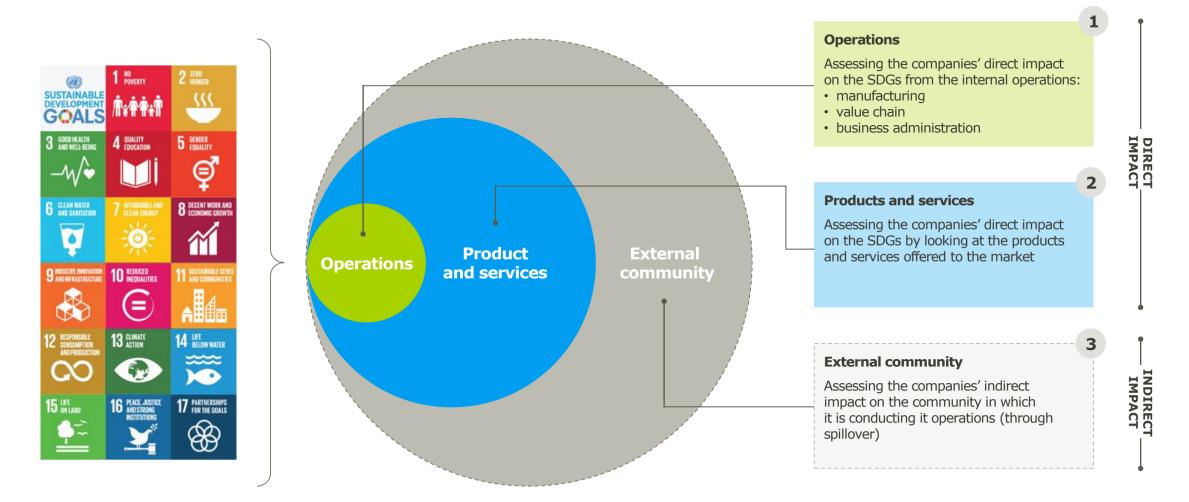
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# MAKE THE SDGs RELEVANT BY LINKING THEM TO BUSINESS ACTIVITIES





# ALIGNING BUSINESS OBJECTIVES WITH SDGs VOLVO AND SDG 3



# **SDG 3**Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages



## ALIGNING BUSINESS OBJECTIVES WITH SDGs VOLVO AND SDG TARGET 3.6



#### Target 3.6

By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents

Few automakers have staked the reputation of their brands on safety quite the way Volvo has. Several years ago, Volvo's President Håkan Samuelsson announced that the company was enacting a plan called Vision 2020—building cars so safe that by 2020 no one is killed or seriously injured in a new Volvo. On Monday, the company revealed the latest part of this plan. From next year, all new Volvos (beginning with the 2021 model year) will be limited to 112mph (180km/h).







#### SDGs THAT CAN ALIGN WITH BUSINESS OPERATIONS



#### Target 7.2

By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix





# SDGs THAT CAN ALIGN WITH BUSINESS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES



#### **Target 6.1:**

By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all



#### Community water: turning vision into practice

Many people in India can't afford to install and run a Pureit unit in their home. But at the community water plants, they can buy 20 litres of water for just 10-13 euro cents,

We're looking at different models to serve communities with accessible and affordable, clean drinking water where it is most needed. And we see significant possibilities in community water plants, which provide clean drinking water from a central point.



We began partnering with WaterHealth International (WHI), who are global experts in community water systems, in 2017. By setting up community water plants, we can reach families who can't afford to have their own Pureit system at home. Together with WHI, we have set up four pilot plants in the city of Tumkur and two in Ramdurg. These are managed by WHI and have shown encouraging results.





#### Providing safe drinking water

We're providing people with access to something that many of us take for granted – safe, affordable drinking water.



#### A basic human right

Access to safe drinking water is a basic human right that people simply can't live without. 1 Yet three in ten people still don't have access to this basic necessity. 2

That's 844 million people<sup>3</sup> at risk of life-threatening waterborne illnesses. We know that, worldwide, contaminated drinking water is responsible for more than half a million diarrhoeal deaths every year.<sup>4</sup> Unsafe water contributes to chronic problems like undernutrition and stunted growth. Stunting affects 159 million children under five and can have a long-lasting impact on physical and mental development.

A lack of access to safe water – or indeed, any water – is made worse by the rise in droughts and flooding that we're seeing as a result of climate change. But poverty is also a huge challenge.

We've developed a simple, affordable solution to help more people get the safe drinking water they need. This directly contributes to UN Sustainable Development Goal 6: ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all, specifically target 6.1 that focuses on access to safe and affordable drinking water for all.

#### SDGs THAT CAN GUIDE ESG RISK MANAGEMENT



#### Target 9.4

By 2030, upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable

#### **Indicator 9.4.1**

CO<sub>2</sub> emission per unit of value added

#### New York City's Mayor is Planning to Ban New Glass Skyscrapers

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New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio has announced plans to introduce a bill banning the construction of glass skyscrapers, forming part of efforts to reduce citywide greenhouse emissions by 30 percent. Unveiling the plans, he described all-glass façade skyscrapers as "incredibly inefficient" because of heat loss, according to NBC New York.



# FOCUS ON MOST RELEVANT SDGs FOR YOUR BUSINESS



# **SDG FOCUSING ACTIVITY**

SDG:		TARGET:		
Mindful				> Intentional
	ESG risk management	ESG value creation	Intention to create and measure impact	
	RISKS	VALUE CREATION OPPS	IMPACTS	
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## **SDG FOCUSING ACTIVITY**

management

SDG:		TARGET:			
Mindful ←				→ Intentional	
	ESG risk	ESG value	Intention to create		

creation

and measure impact

Objective	Avoid negative financial results	Create positive financial results	Create positive social results
Social Impact	Avoid negatives	Think about positives	Create positives
Financial Results	which could create negatives	which could create positives	as long as they don't create negatives



# **THANK YOU**

#### **Questions?**

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