

Green Office

In general, environmental investment across the Group exceeded RUB 1,388.7 mn, where operation expenses were only 0.55%

Care for the environment is a fundamental value of Vnesheconombank. Although the Bank's operations have no direct material environmental impact, we are consistently improving the environmental aspects of our office activities. As a result, Vnesheconombank was ranked among leaders in the first Russian rating of 'Green Offices of Russia — 2014' organised by Ecobureau GREENS supported by the Russian Ministry of Economic Development and the Department for Environmental Management and Protection of Moscow.

In 2014, Vnesheconombank completed its Corporate Environmental Policy that sets out key approaches of the Bank to embedding green office principles in its housekeeping activities. This document approved in early 2015 is driven by the lifecycle approach and provides for cutting back the adverse environmental impact of the Bank's housekeeping activities at all of its stages: from the procurement procedure to the choice of waste disposal methods.

The lifecycle approach used by the Bank is fully compliant with all requirements of environmental laws and factors in recommendations of Russian and international sustainability and environmental management standards. Under this approach, all decisions of the Bank related to its procurement policy, resource consumption and waste management are made subject to their environmental implications.

SME Bank, Sviaz-Bank, BelVEB and Prominvestbank apply the most comprehensive approach to management of environmental aspects of housekeeping among Vnesheconombank Group's entities. Other entities have in place regulatory documents that govern the rational use of resources and reduce the environmental impact of office activities.

Principles of Vnesheconombank's Corporate Environmental Policy

Green procurement policy

- When formulating the requirements for procured goods, Vnesheconombank focuses on the environmental characteristics of goods, works and services and gives preferences for the products that have a positive or a minimum negative environmental impact

Sustainable resource consumption

- Vnesheconombank takes the business and administrative decisions on commodity and material valuables usage, energy and heat consumption, water management, automobile transportation and waste management with due regard for the ecological footprint

Management of environmental impact

- Vnesheconombank annually develops the Environmental Action Plan in order to more efficiently manage its own environmental impact

Interaction with stakeholders

- To keep a wide range of stakeholders closely informed, Vnesheconombank annually publishes its sustainability reports that reflect the performance of the Bank and its subsidiaries in the area of corporate social and environmental responsibility

Responsible Management of Environmental Impact in Vnesheconombank Group



Inventories

Fluorescent lamps 12.3 thousand lamps

- Take into account environmental parameters of goods in procurement procedures
- Increase the share of energy efficient and the environmentally safest lamps (mostly LED)

- Transfer Hazard Grade 1 waste to a specialised entity for neutralisation and Hazard Grade 4–5 waste for disposal at a burial site (in leased premises via the lessor)

11.5 thousand units of mercury-containing waste

Computer equipment and parts 4,154 units

- Implement electronic document flow
- Streamline the use of office resources (put equipment on saving operation mode; share copying equipment; set paper use limits; use double-sided printing; use

- Transfer Hazard Grade 3 waste to a specialised entity or a supplier for disposal, Hazard Grade 4–5 waste for disposal at a burial site and paper waste for recycling (in leased premises via the lessor)

2,747.7 tonnes of MSW

2,854 units of equipment

10.2 thousand cartridges

Paper A4 – 690 tonnes

78 34 tonnes

A3 – **3.79 tonnes**
Paper for
colour printing –
3.83 tonnes

drafts, etc.)

7.62 tonnes
of paper waste

* Data for Vnesheconombank

Energy

Electricity
143,449 GJ

- Use advanced high energy saving class equipment
- Reduce CO₂ emissions by cutting down electricity and heat consumption
- Adjust heat supply and ventilation levels in office premises
- Run an energy survey
- Develop energy saving and energy efficiency measures

27,773 tonnes
of CO₂ equivalent

Heat
113,909 GJ

Water

Utility water
184 thousand cu m

- Run scheduled preventive maintenance and routine maintenance of sanitary equipment and engineering water supply and disposal systems
- Sign utility services agreements
- Refit sanitary equipment with devices to cut water consumption

Under the agreements, water disposal should be equal to water consumption

Corporate cars

Fuel
2.9 mn litres

- Use high-grade fuel
- Have toxicity of exhaust gases monitored as part of corporate car maintenance
- Reduce total mileage by streamlining corporate itineraries and using advanced means of communication

8.6 thousand tonnes
of CO₂ equivalent

Diesel fuel
0.6 mn litres

Repair and replacement of corporate cars
64 cars

- Replace outdated corporate cars with high environmental class cars (at least Euro 4)
- Have quality of parts and expendables monitored as part of corporate car maintenance
- Regularly undergo maintenance only in specialised organisations
- Include the cost of parts and expendables in maintenance agreements
- Provide for disposal of all waste in maintenance agreements

131 cars
Number of decommissioned

