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Biodiversity Policy

Being aware of the importance of biodiversity for humanity and the environment globally, Türk Hava Yolları A.O. ("Turkish Airlines") declares its Biodiversity Policy prepared to protect biodiversity and provide sustainable operations in order to bring its employees, customers, suppliers, affiliates, all business partners, and shareholders together for the same purpose.

Turkish Airlines supports all Sustainable Development Goals within the scope of the commitments declared in its Sustainability Policy, Environmental Policy, Supplier Code of Conduct Policy, Energy Policy and Sustainable Procurement Policy.

Protection of Ecosystem

Turkish Airlines identifies and monitors the impacts and risks of its activities on biodiversity and takes measures to protect the diversity of species, habitats, ecosystems and the integrity of ecological functions.

It avoids activities that harm protected forests and species.

It avoids operational structuring that would damage nationally and internationally important ecosystem zones.

Turkish Airlines strives to lead the practices regarding the No Net Loss (NNL) principle in biodiversity and prevention of deforestation through sustainable procurement and supplier management practices. It spreads a similar approach and perspective to all its suppliers and stakeholders.

It takes measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through fleet modernization, operational improvements, sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) use, and carbon offsetting measures to manage the factors that may have an impact on climate change in accordance with the mitigation hierarchy.

It supports sustainable biofuel research and development activities.

Conservation of Endangered Species

Turkish Airlines shares the importance of biodiversity with all stakeholders.

It works with the awareness of responsible transportation to prevent illegal wildlife trade. It ensures that transportation is carried out legally. It takes measures and cooperates with authorized institutions to prevent contrary situations from occurring. In this context, it adopts a zero tolerance approach.

It ensures that competent and trained employees are involved in the biodiversity management.

As a signatory to the United for Wildlife Buckingham Palace Declaration (UFW), Turkish Airlines supports the goal of responsible transportation to prevent illegal trade of wild animals.

It acts with the awareness that the responsibility for protecting the ecosystem is universal at all destinations where it flies.

Sustainable Procurement

Turkish Airlines considers the impact on the ecosystem and makes choices to reduce it while expanding all its activities, products, and services. In this way, it also encourages its stakeholders to protect the ecosystem.

With its extensive flight network, it contributes to local economic and social development in the regions it flies to.

To minimize deforestation impacts, it is selective to use products that will not adversely affect the forest ecosystem.





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Continuous Improvement

In the regions where it operates, Turkish Airlines continuously monitors good practices and integrates applicable ones into its operations to reduce its environmental impact, its negative impact on biodiversity, and its impact on the local ecosystem.

Turkish Airlines follows and implements the goal of becoming “Carbon Neutral by the year 2050” to support the fight against climate change and No Net Loss (NNL) in biodiversity in its operations.

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