

# METHODOLOGY

The Sustainability Report of the Prysmian Group (also “Prysmian” or the “Group”) is prepared in order to provide a complete and transparent picture of the values, commitments made and results obtained in the area of sustainable development.

This annual Report, now in its fourth edition (the third, relating to 2013, was published in April 2014), represents the main tool for communicating the economic, social and environmental performance of the Group, covering the history of Prysmian’s commitment to the pursuit of activities that create value both for the Group and for our stakeholders.

As part of the process of continuous improvement, Prysmian has prepared this Report in conformity with the new «G4 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines», applying the Core option. Adoption of these guidelines, defined in 2013 by the GRI – Global Reporting Initiative, increases the breadth and depth of the topics covered and confirms Prysmian’s constant commitment to making the reporting process ever more complete and effective.

The GRI G4 guidelines for sustainability reporting require the Sustainability Report to contain information about matters that are considered important, being those with a significant economic, environmental and social impact on the organisation and that significantly influence the assessments and decisions of stakeholders.

The process of collecting data and information in order to prepare the Report was managed in collaboration with the various business functions, in order to identify clearly and precisely the information deemed most meaningful for stakeholders, in terms of its balance, comparability, accuracy, timeliness, clarity and reliability.

Except as indicated, the data and information contained in this report relate to those companies within the Prysmian Group as of 31 December 2014 that are consolidated on a line-by-line basis in the Annual Report. Prior year information is presented solely for comparative purposes, in order to facilitate assessment of the Group’s performance over time. The information contained in this document makes reference to various measurable parameters and estimates, which are appropriately identified in the various chapters.

There were no significant changes in the ownership structure or scale of the Group during 2014 that would affect the scope of this Report.

For completeness, compared with last year and having regard for size and structure considerations, “Power Cables Malaysia Sdn Bhd” has been ignored except for the related environmental data.

In order to guarantee the reliability of the information presented, Deloitte has performed a limited assurance engagement in relation to the Sustainability Report, releasing its Auditors’ Report in accordance with the criteria indicated in standard ISAE 3000. This report includes compliance with the principles of audit independence.

## Structure of the Sustainability Report

The first chapter is dedicated to presenting the Group, the areas in which we work, the main events and awards received during the year, and the values that guide the way we work. It also describes the governance of Prysmian, our economic performance and the activities arranged to communicate with and involve our shareholders and investors.

The next section covers the Group’s core business, being of course our products. The «Integrated sustainability», «Innovation» and «Supply Chain» chapters of this section shows how sustainability is an all-encompassing concept that influences the entire life cycle of every product: from research into and the development of innovative and sustainable solutions, to the networks that transport the product to market.

The following chapter is dedicated to our human resources, health and safety policies, the engagement of employees and their personal growth via initiatives that develop their skills.

This focus on our human resources is also reflected in the activities carried out for the benefit of the local communities in which the Group works, which are described in the chapter on «Communities».

The section on the environment presents our HSE policies and our environmental performance by analysing the most significant aspects, such as our use of natural resources and raw materials, our consumption of energy and the related greenhouse gas emissions and our elimination of processing waste.

The Report closes with a number of attachments that provide further details about certain information contained in the Report, the Auditors’ Report and the GRI Content Index.



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