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FOCUS AREA CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND WASTE MANAGEMENT









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The circular economy, recycling and the reduction of waste are important levers towards sustainable entrepreneurship. In our environmental activities, circularity has been an important principle for years, but also in our other activities, we are committed to using natural resources more efficiently. Our waste policy focuses on waste prevention, maximum reuse of waste, recovery of raw materials and recycling.

The choice of materials is sometimes limited by local regulations and client requirements. Nevertheless, together with our clients we are constantly looking for innovative solutions and sustainable alternatives.

The collection and processing of waste puts a burden on the climate and our environment. We actively pursue the reduction, selective collection and optimal processing of our own waste. We are also committed to reducing and selectively collecting waste on and around our sites.

ORGANISATION

As a company, we are pushing circularity as a priority innovation topic.

The QHSSE department monitors the waste policy and ensures compliance with the established procedures and applicable guidelines. This is done in close consultation with project management.

PROGRESS

CIRCULARITY:

- At Jan De Nul Group, we clean up (historical) contamination on building sites or in ports. We remediate on site or excavate the polluted soil and bring it to one of our valorisation centres. This is always done in view of its reuse in alternative applications.
- We are an active participant in the 'Green Deal Circular Building'. Through this commitment, we are exploring how in future a recyclable approach to building can become an everyday reality. Through pilot projects, we investigate pitfalls and opportunities for our civil projects. One of these pilot projects is the reuse of drainage water, where a work group is developing solutions on a technical, financial and policy level.
- Circular purchasing stimulates the growth of the market that offers circular products and services. Our purchasers contribute actively to this.

WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- In order to better manage our waste streams and ensure sustainable processing, we have entered into a framework contract within the civil division. We monitor waste streams and take active initiatives on our sites to further improve our waste management.
- All our vessels meet the requirements of the MARPOL Convention to reduce sea pollution and they all have their own specific waste management plan.
- Waste management on international sites is governed by a transparent procedure. We create awareness about the negative effects of plastic waste, organise beach clean-up actions and ban single-use plastics on board of our vessels and in our offices.
- We have designed and built the compact Nul-O-Plastic machine to tackle the historical pollution of millions of plastic granules in the nature reserve 'Galgeschoor' in the Port of Antwerp.



ONGOING INNOVATION PROJECTS REGARDING CIRCULARITY > 18 waste reduction initiatives in 2020 > 13 waste reduction initiatives in 2019



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