

THE EUROPEAN COURT OF AUDITORS' ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

In view of the EU's commitment to the environment, the European Court of Auditors (ECA) has a special responsibility to continually reduce the environmental impact of its activities.

For this reason, the ECA has introduced an environmental management system in line with the EU's EMAS Regulation, under which ECA is committed to:

- minimising the environmental impact of everyday work;
- continuously improving environmental performance;
- complying with all environmentally-relevant legislation and obligations.

More specifically, the ECA is committed to:

- taking measures to prevent pollution and reduce carbon dioxide emissions;
- promoting the efficient use of energy and taking measures to reduce electricity and water consumption;
- ensuring more efficient use of paper in order to reduce consumption;
- including environmental criteria in its public procurement procedures;
- introducing best practices with regard to waste management;
- encouraging all staff to act sustainably and contribute actively to achieving the targets of this
 policy.

The ECA undertakes to implement and pursue this environmental policy, to communicate it to staff, contractors and any other interested parties.

Environmental commitments must translate into specific measures backed by the requisites of human, material and financial resources. The environmental management system should be designed to be cost-effective.

This environmental policy and the environmental management system apply to the activities of the European Court of Auditors in the broad sense of the term, i.e. the activities of all staff and other employees (including subcontractors working on site, staff on missions and travelling to and from work). It covers the three buildings occupied at 12, rue Alcide De Gasperi, Luxembourg.

Luxembourg, 27 February 2018

Eduardo Buiz García Secretary-General

CEREN

aus-Heiner Lehne President