"If you stop getting better, you stop being good"

- Hugo Jönsson, the founder of Polykemi



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Revisorns yttrande över den lagstadgade hållbarhetsrapporten

Till bolagsstämman i Polykemi AB, org.nr 556114-3461

Uppdrag och ansvarsfördelning

Det är styrelsen som har ansvaret för hållbarhetsrapporten för år 2017 och för att den är upprättad i enlighet med årsredovisningslagen.

Granskningens inriktning och omfattning

Vår granskning har skett enligt FARs rekommendation RevR 12 Revisorns yttrande om den lagstadgade hållbarhetsrapporten. Detta innebär att vår granskning av hållbarhetsrapporten har en annan inriktning och en väsentligt mindre omfattning jämfört med den inriktning och omfattning som en revision enligt International Standards on Auditing och god revisionssed i Sverige har. Vi anser att denna granskning ger oss tillräcklig grund för vårt uttalande

Uttalande

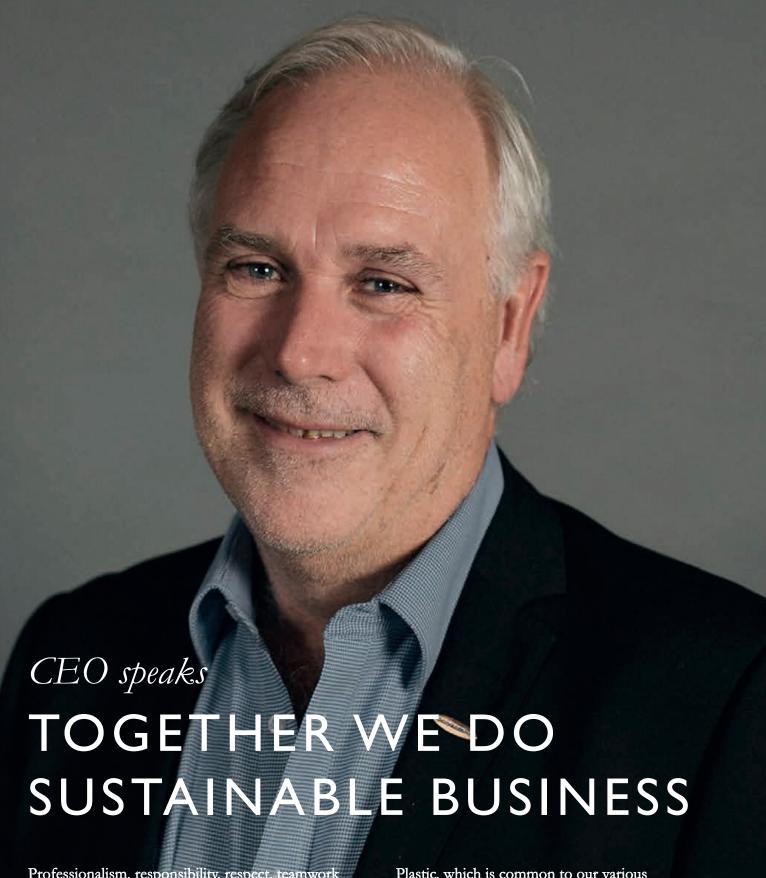
En hållbarhetsrapport har upprättats.

Ystad den april 2018

Öhrlings PricewaterhouseCoopers AB

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Ann Rickard Nilsson Auktoriserad revisor



Professionalism, responsibility, respect, teamwork and honesty are the values that guide our way of doing sustainable business; one could say that our values are sort of like common sense. These values also form the basis that allows us once more to state that the Polykemi Group with its various companies has achieved very good results during the year, which is very pleasing.

Plastic, which is common to our various companies, is clearly a malleable material, whose possibilities are almost unlimited. This therefore constitutes a large and sustainable basis for the opportunities to adapt and develop the new sustainable plastic products of the future, so that the new demands made by our customers and other stakeholders can be satisfied.

Following the Swedish and international debate, one would hear that plastic is among one of the greatest environmental threats. The seas are littered with discarded plastic containers, fish die of microscopic plastic particles and what are known as ghost nets float around in large islands killing fish. The Polykemi Group has long worked with various environmental issues (environmentally certified in accordance with ISO 14001 since 1998) and we have always placed a major focus on reducing our own environmental impact, not least of which involving taking charge of our own waste and refuse. From our production operations, all granulates/plastic refuse are secured so that none of them can get out into the surface water or into the waste water systems. In order further to reinforce our desire and ambition to reduce the amount of plastic waste internationally, during the year we have joined up with Operation Clean Sweep (https://opcleansweep. org/), which is a global body for reducing plastic waste in our seas.

A FEW OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS DURING THE YEAR

Completed energy audit of the entire Swedish portion of the Polykemi Group. A certified consultancy company has undertaken a complete energy audit of our entire Swedish operation. This energy audit will form the basis for various energy efficiency measures/investments for 2018 - 2020.

Energy efficiency network together with the County Council and the Swedish Energy Agency. Polykemi Group is part of a network that serves along with other companies to cooperate and develop its work concerning energy efficiency measures. The goal of this network is each year to reduce energy consumption by 10 - 20% over three years.

New construction and renovation of our main office in Ystad. During the autumn, we have both renovated and built an addition to our main office in Ystad. In connection with this, we have upgraded both the heating systems and lighting to the latest technology.

"We regard sustainability issues as an integrated part of our business."

Certification of all companies in the Polykemi Group according to the new standards for quality and environment (ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015). These new standards set out requirements inter alia that the companies shall integrate and investigate their stakeholders' effect on their business operation. These new ISO requirements are completely in compliance with the requirements set out in the sustainability report according to GRI standards, which clarifies the connection between quality - environment - sustainability.

Investing in a new dry-vacuum pump technique in our factory in China. This means that waste and residual products are removed and separated in an effective manner. We have also invested in improved water-purification technique for our output water.

TOGETHER THERE IS MUCH WE CAN DO

All employees at Polykemi have a joint responsibility for how we act in relation to our customers, our consumers, our owners, our suppliers and our co-workers. As a company, we must always act in a manner that demonstrates that we deserve the confidence and appreciation of our customers and other stakeholders.

We regard sustainability issues as an integrated part of our business operation; the Polykemi Group shall be a company of which its co-workers can be proud. Sustainability is an important component in order to be able to meet our customers' and our stakeholders' expectations and our own goals for profitable growth.

Ola HugosonCEO for Polykemi AB

OUR SUSTAINABILITY WORK

The Polykemi Group this year publishes its seventh sustainability report. Our first three sustainability reports, 2011 - 2013 were written in accordance with GRI (Global Reporting Initiative) version G3.1. From the 2014 to the 2016 report, our sustainability reports have been published according to the version of GRI G4 (base level Core).

This year's sustainability report is prepared according to the new GRI Standards Core, which is described at https://www.globalreporting.org/standards/.

The report describes the Polykemi Group's work with sustainability issues and encompasses the 2017 calendar year unless otherwise indicated in the text. In accordance with GRI Standards, we have focused the report on the areas that have been identified as being most important in dialogues with interested parties and in materiality analyses. Compared with previous year's sustainability reports, this year we have done another division of our substantial areas,

whose aim shall be to clarify our most important sustainability areas.

This sustainability report encompasses the Group's European operation at the Polykemi, Rondo Plast and Scanfill companies, as well as our Chinese company, Polykemi Compounds Ltd. Accounting principles are the same for all companies throughout the entire group. Some substantial changes, such as ownership, structure, company size etc., have not taken place during the accounting period. Neither has the Polykemi Group made any changes in business direction or in the products in 2017.

The Polykemi Group has no separate sustainability organisation, but rather the sustainability issues are governed as an integrated part of other business issues. The overall strategic focus is established at the Group level and is governed by the Group's policies, for example, work environment policy, environmental policy and our values (also refer to the governing of the framework in Figure 7 on page 17).



ENVIRONMENT AND CSR WORK

ENVIRONMENTAL WORK IN SWEDEN

Polykemi, Rondo and Scanfill are environmentally certified according to ISO 14000 (all companies are certified according to the new standard, ISO 14001:2015). Overall, the certification governs our entire environmental work, and we conduct a number of projects in order continually to improve and to reduce our impact on the environment. Each year, Polykemi compiles an environmental report, where all targets and results within the field of environment are presented.

ENVIRONMENTAL WORK IN CHINA (POLYKEMI COMPOUNDS LTD).

The environmental work in China continues, and in 2014, we were certified with the help of the DNV certification body in accordance with ISO 14001. The ISO 14001 environmental management system forms the basis for our systematic continued work in developing targets and action plans within the field of environment for Chinese operation. Even our Chinese company has been certified according to the new environmental standard, ISO 14001:2015.

LAWS AND GUIDELINES WITHIN ENVIRONMENT AND CHEMICALS

Polykemi engages an external consultant (RSM) in order to evaluate/ensure legal requirements and compliance. Furthermore, we are connected with the Notisum law monitoring system in Sweden, and with Envitool in China, both of which ensure that we always have access to the current legislation. During the past year (2017), Polykemi has not committed any violations of environmental legislation or local directives.

ADDITIVES

The EU's new chemical ordinance, REACH, came into force on 1 June 2007. It contains many different sections that come into effect afterwards. The first part, information in the material safety data sheets, began in 2007. The next part, preregistration, was implemented in 2008. Up until December 2008, we preregistered in REACH all of the monomers from which we build up the types of plastic that we recycle. We are what is known as a downstream user, therefore we have certain obligations inter alia with regard to a substance's area of use. All of our Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are prepared in accordance with the new requirements set out for MSDS that shall contain information about 16 different areas. All MSDS are found in a chemical handling system called ECO Online, and this is available to all co-workers. We have introduced the same chemical handling system in China as well.

PRECAUTIONS PRINCIPLE

Polykemi has always been based on the precautions principle definition. In practice, this means that we are always taking action when there is a risk of damage to the environment or human health, which has been proved by our environmental management practices.

"Anyone who carries out or plans to carry out some activity, or aims to implement some protective measures, should observe the limitations and take any other protective measures required to prevent, hinder or counteract the operations or measures that can cause damage or harm to the human health or environment. For the same purpose, our business activity uses the best available technologies. These precautions must be taken as soon as there is any reason to believe that an activity or measure may cause damage or harm to the human health or environment."

POLYKEMI GROUP KEY FIGURES



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	2017	2016
Turnover (mSEK)	1 014	829
Result (mSEK)	67	71
Equity ratio (%)	48	52
Employees*	190	196

(*All employees are employed by Polykemi, but with different placements.)

POLYKEMI COMPOUNDS LTD (KUNCHAN, CHINA)

	2017	2016
Turnover (mSEK)	158	136
Result (mSEK)	17	30
Equity ratio (%)	90	86
Employees	81	67

POLYKEMI INC.

	2017	2016
Turnover (mSEK)	18	4,8
Result (mSEK)	1	0
Equity ratio (%)	10	2

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BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN PLASTIC RECYCLING

	2017	2016
Turnover (mSEK)	173	158
Result (mSEK)	4	2
Equity ratio (%)	73	76



	2017	2016
Turnover (mSEK)	34	28
Result (mSEK)	2	2
Equity ratio (%)	90	61

SUBSIDIARIES

Denmark, Germany and Czechia

	2017	2016
Employees	10	12

ABOUT POLYKEMI GROUP

POLYKEMI BACKGROUND

Ever since the company was founded in the spring of 1968, the basic concept has been the same: to manufacture customised plastic compounds and to strive to do it better than anyone else in the world. From the very beginning, Scandinavia was chosen as the principal market, and even today Scandinavia continues to be an important market, even though we currently work in most European countries and around the world.

Our strength lies in continually being one step ahead and in being able to offer customised product ranges with solutions so unique and creative that no one else can compare with us on like terms. This involves inter alia our documented skill in colour adaptation, multiple fortifiers and fibres in a large quantity of various polymers, and our express ambition to co-operate closely with our customers where security, close personal contacts, a high level of skill and problem-solving abilities are our guiding principles.

Polykemi is an innovative knowledge-based company that satisfies the market's demand for absolutely world-class end products.

FAMILY-OWNED COMPANY

Polykemi is a family-owned company with 296 employees. The main office is located on Bronsgatan 8, Ystad, Sweden, and houses all of the company's main functions, such as sales, technical customer support, purchasing, administrative support functions, as well as research and development.

The Polykemi Group also includes the parent company, Polykemi AB, as well as the whollyowned subsidiaries of Rondo Plast AB, Scanfill AB, an independent subsidiary Polykemi Compounds in Kunshan, China, which is engaged in sales, purchasing and production. In addition, there are also our own subsidiaries and sales offices in Denmark, Germany, the Czech Republic and the United States. The companies that make up the Polykemi Group are further presented in Figure 1 on page 11.

BOARD AND MANAGEMENT

It is the responsibility of the board and management to ensure that the work within the fields of environment, work environment, monitoring of ethical guidelines, social responsibility and sustainable economic development complies with the regulations, strategies and goals established. This responsibility also involves presenting the sustainability report in accordance with GRI in connection with the annual financial statement. The members of the board are presented in Figure 2 on page 11. In 2017, the Board of Directors consisted of 100% men. There has also been a union representative present at the board meetings.

With regard to issues within the field of sustainability, these are repeatedly addressed at the management meetings. A review of the company administration, in which sustainability work is included, is held four times per year and serves as a tool in reinforcing communication between owners, the board and employees. Coming up with ideas and suggestions is encouraged at all meetings and in the day-to-day development throughout all parts of the operation. The governance of our sustainability work is presented in Figure 3 on page 11.



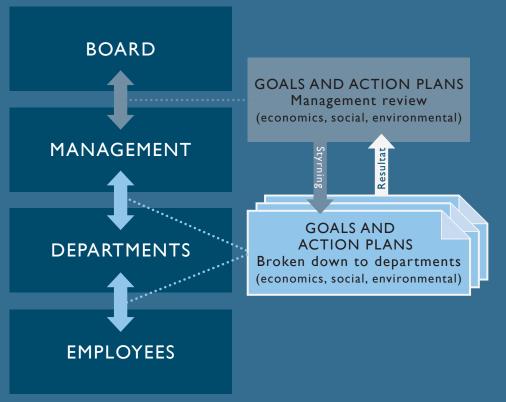
THE BOARD CONSISTS OF ******

Figure 1

INTERNAL		EXTERNAL
Ola Hugoson	b. 1957	Magnus Bolmstrand b. 1946
Lars Hugosson	b. 1962	(external chairman of the board)
Magnus Lindahl	b. 1968	Dan Jeppsson b. 1954
Mattias Persson	b. 1968	Torbjörn Wistrand b. 1948
Stefan Andersson	b. 1957	Göran Engström b. 1949
Peter Åkesson	b. 1969	

Figure 2





The CEO of Polykemi has overall responsibility for managing the daily business. The company's CEO, who is also a board member and owner, reports directly to the Board of Polykemi, which also determines the company's strategies in the field of sustainability. Sustainability issues are reported and followed up in management through action plans of environment, economics, HR and communication. The various action plans are subsequently implemented in the organization by department managers.



POLYKEMI AB

Polykemi AB produces and sells customised plastic compounds to customers in more than 25 different countries all over the world. In spite of us encountering many different cultural differences in our day-to-day work, the way of doing business is very similar. The market for plastic use in Europe and in other parts the world is subject to constant growth, and those involved in this market know each other rather well.

As an independent compound producer, we purchase our plastic raw material, fillers, additives and colour pigments directly from the world's major manufacturers. We manufacture and then deliver plastic compounds according to the wishes and demands of our customers, so that they in turn can injection-mould and deliver parts to the end consumer. The most common industrial segments are within the automotive industry, household appliances, construction, electronics, household, medicine and more.

We are always trying to develop and improve what we do, as well as to live up to our ambition "Polykemi - a World Class Compounder".

RONDO PLAST AB

Rondo Plast works with recycling, upgrading and refining recycled plastic raw materials or plastic items.

Rondo Plast offers customers a complete standard programme of compounds based on recycled plastic, in addition to this, there is an opportunity to customise recycled plastic material solutions according to the customer's wishes.

In addition to the strong domestic market in Sweden, customers are mainly located in northern Europe.

Environmental awareness, as well as what we consider to be the obvious desire to recycle plastic, has been with us ever since 1980 when Rondo Plast was founded. In recent years, the use of recycled plastic injection moulded plastic items has increased substantially around the world, which fact pleases us. The trend is clear that the use of recycled plastic will increase in the future.



SCANFILL AB

Scanfill was founded in 2008 and is a unique producer of environmentally-customised plastic compounds the packaging industry around the world.

By using a packaging material from Scanfill, instead of traditional plastic material, the impact on our natural surroundings and on the environment is substantially reduced. The reason for this is that plastic compounds from Scanfill consists of more than 50% chalk, a non-oil-based commodity. This means that the consumption of fresh water and emissions of greenhouse gases during the manufacturing of the plastic is cut in half as compared with traditional plastic materials used in the packaging industry.

Scanfill and its material has garnered a great amount of attention around the world, and we see a bright future for these materials.

POLYKEMI COMPOUNDS (KUNSHAN) CO.

Our independent subsidiary was founded in 2005 and today it is a successful and reputed compounder for high-quality and customised plastic compounds for customers in Asia.

During the year, we have expanded with new sales office and warehouse in Chungking (Sichuan province); this was in order to meet the increased demand for our material. The work in establishing the manufacturing of material based on recycled material in China will be investigated further.

The need for customised plastic compounds continues to increase in Asia, and we feel that we have a very good opportunity to continue to develop and grow organically as this progresses.

POLYKEMI INC.

We have had an American-registered sales company since 2013, Polykemi Inc. Cooperation has also been established with an American company (Omni Plastics, located in Evansville), which can manufacture/produce material locally for us in North America. In the past year, we have begun with a few deliveries both to North America and Mexico, and we estimate that business will improve very positively in the upcoming years.

We will also investigate the possibility of manufacturing/producing material based on recycled plastic in North America.

POLYKEMI GROUP

Different companies, we sometimes have different ways of handling different markets, but that which is common is that we will continue to work in the professional, service-minded, flexible and innovative manner that we do today and will continue to be successful in the future. We think our slogan of "whatever stops getting better, stops being good" succinctly summarises this message.

STAKEHOLDER ANALYSIS

At Polykemi, we strive for long-term relations and good cooperation with our stakeholders. This applies to groups and organisations that are affected or influenced by the company's operation. The priorities of our stakeholders shall be the guiding principles for how we conduct business.

Polykemi regularly cooperates with our stakeholders through a number of various forums, for example customer meetings, customer surveys, networking and dialogues with various official agencies. Our local attachments in Sweden (Ystad), and various sales offices in Europe and in China (Kunshan and Chungking) afford us a continual dialogue with stakeholders even at the local level.

COMMUNICATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

Polykemi is not only run by a board, shareholders and management, but is also run by the insights we get by listening to our stakeholders. We need to know and to understand what our customers, co-workers, suppliers and the outside world in general expects of a company like Polykemi Every day, we meet our stakeholders in various contexts. Understanding the expectations of our operation is a requirement for being able to be successful in the long-term and to contribute to sustainable development. That is why our ambition is always to hold a dialogue with our key stakeholders.

In Figure 4, there is a summary with examples of more formalised dialogues held on a regular basis with our key stakeholders. In addition to these continual dialogues, we have held focused dialogues with stakeholders with regard to sustainability.

We have also undertaken a weighing of our various stakeholders and we have employed an assessment model based on influence and interests.

SUSTAINABILITY - ESSENTIALITY

Based on the Polykemi Group's long-term success and experience from dialogues held with stakeholders in previous years, as well as the GRI Standards, work began with the new framework for identifying the most important sustainability aspects. This work resulted in an initial prioritisation, which was presented in the 2014 annual financial statement, in which we had 15 sustainability areas.

During the year (2017), we have put forth a framework in which we categorised our aspects in four sustainability areas. The purpose and goal of the new framework was to provide a better overview and connection between GRI and our business operation. Polykemi's materiality analysis is based on the results from the dialogues with stakeholders that were held in 2016. For most of our stakeholders, sustainability largely pertains to an entirety and in having a high minimum level within all areas.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS	DIALOGUE SESSIONS
Customer	Customer visits of salesman/technician Market research
Owner	Annual meeting
Board	Board meeting
Co-worker	Performance reviews Department meeting Shift meetings
Supplier	Supplier visits Procurement process/ contract
Local community	Municipality Contacts Association Contacts
Authorities	Authority visits

PRIORITISED AREAS

All areas are considered to be very important. The most important aspects within each area of production/technical development, anti-corruption, the use of recycled/renewable raw material, skills and personal development, refuse and waste, energy consumption, supplier relations, chemicals that are environmentally hazardous and hazardous to health, working environments and values. All prioritised areas are presented in Figure 5.

Polykemi is perceived to be the most prominent company within the use of recycled/renewable raw materials and production/technical development.

Suggestions for improvements that come about during dialogues with stakeholders form both an assessment based on concrete viewpoints, and from a point-scoring assessment in the materiality analysis and that which has been indicated in the open questions. The aspects for which improvements are suggested are within the fields of work environment, equality and diversity, environmentally hazardous and health-hazardous chemicals, as well as reducing waste.

Some stakeholders commented on the difficulty in only selecting a few areas that should be prioritised. We would like to point out to all areas are important to Polykemi. Our ambition is to continue to improve as a sustainable company with a high basic level within all areas. The prioritisation is only meant to identify that with which we need to work extra in order to satisfy the requirements and expectations of our stakeholders.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk assessment involves how stakeholders feel about future risks (including changes in legislation) within a five-year period in the fields of work environment, energy consumption, chemicals, skills/personal development, refuse/waste, transport, products/technical development, oil and ownership. Ownership is considered to be a lower risk by both internal and external stakeholders, the greatest difference was found in answers concerning chemicals and products/technical development, where external stakeholders indicate a higher risk than do internal stakeholders. The "higher" risk assessment concerns energy consumption, chemicals, transport and oil.

WHAT WE DO WITH THE **RESULT**

By means of actively examining and gauging what our stakeholders feel and think about us, we get the basic information needed to improve and to develop our operation and its governing tools, such as the ISO 14001 and ISO 9001 environmental and quality control systems. With the help of such information, we can initiate and carry out measures whose aims are constantly to improve and develop our business operation.



- 1. Production/technical development
- 2. Anti-corruption
- 3. Recycled/renewable raw materials
- 4. Expertise/personal development
- 5. Waste/spill
- 6. Energy use
- 7. Supplier relationships
- 8. Environment/hazardous chemicals
- 9. Equality/diversity
- 10. Customer relationships
- 11. Working environment
- 12. Transport/CO₂
- 13. Values
- 14. Water use
- 15. Social commitment

SUSTAINABILITY ASPECTS/AREAS

The result of dialogues with stakeholders, in connection with our sustainability work, has resulted in a framework consisting of four areas. Within these four areas, we have prioritised a series of aspects.

On the following pages, we describe more specifically how we control and monitor our four prioritised areas.



OWN PRODUCT – SUSTAINABLE PLASTIC

The business operation within our various companies in the Polykemi Group is based on plastic, and that is our very core operation. Many people take it for granted that we as a company must take a great amount of responsibility for our core operation, and we now do this by addressing it as its own area.

Prioritised aspects within the area are:

- Energy use
- Transports (CO₂)
- Recycled/renewable raw materials
- Production/technical development
- Waste/spill



ATTRACTIVE EMPLOYER

In order for a company to develop, we need skilled co-workers and furthermore we need to attract and recruit new ones. Generating confidence, a sense of well-being and pride among Polykemi co-workers makes them good ambassadors.

Prioritised aspects within the area are:

- Working environment
- Expertise/personal development
- Equality/diversity



RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS

Responsible business is about confidence and can be associated with our values.

Prioritised aspects within the area are:

- Financial results
- Customer and suppliers relationships
- Values, anti-corruption



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Polykemi's owners and management have always had a big heart in being a local company that can act both locally and globally.

Prioritised aspects within the area are:

- Social commitment, sponsoring of associations etc.
- Local investments

MANAGEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY WORK/AREA – FRAMEWORK

COMPARTMENT	PRIORITISED ASPECTS	LIMITATION	GOVERNING	INDICATOR
	Energy use	Polykemi Suppliers	Environmental policy Environmental action program 2018 - 2020	302-1 Energy consumption within the organization 305-2 Energy indirect GHG emissions - Scope 2
OWN PRODUCT	Transports	Polykemi Suppliers Community	Environmental policy Environmental action program 2018 - 2020	305-3 Other indirect GHG emissions - Scope 3
PLASTIC	Recycled/renewable raw materials Production/technical development	Suppliers Polykemi Customers	Environmental policy Environmental action program 2018 - 2020	301-1 Materials used by weight or volume 301-2 Recycled input materials used
	Waste/spill	Polykemi Suppliers	Environmental policy Environmental action program 2018 - 2020	306-2 Waste by type and disposal method
	Financial results	Owners - Polykemi	Board, Owners, management	201-1 Direct economic value generated and distributed
RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS	Customer and suppliers relationships	Polykemi Customers Suppliers	PRPP Policy (Supplier's approval)	414-1 New suppliers that were screened using social criteria 417-3 Incidents of non-compliance concerning marketing communications
	Values, anti-corruption	Polykemi Suppliers Customers	Code of Conduct FN Global Compact	205-2 Communication and training about anti-corruption policies and procedures 102-16 Values, principles, standards, and norms of behavior
ATTRACTIVE	Working environment	Co-workers	Work environmental policy Code of Conduct Personnel vision	403-1 Occupational health and safety management system 403-2 Injurys and accidents
EMPLOYER	Expertise/personal development	Polykemi	Performance reviews Competence Tool	404-1 Average hours of training per year per employee
	Equality/diversity	Polykemi	Equality Policy	405-1 Diversity of governance bodies and employees
	Social commitment	Polykemi	Sponsorship	Share of sponsorship initiatives with CSR link
COMMUNITY	Local investments	Polykemi Suppliers Community	Purchase policy Code of Conduct	204-1 Proportion of purchases by local suppliers
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Some of our sustainability aspects may affect outside our legal framework, for example our customers and suppliers.



OUR OWN PRODUCT – SUSTAINABLE PLASTIC

The main product that we purchase in, refine (compound) and sell is plastic. When it comes to our own product (plastic), it is important to point out that the material is not hazardous to the environment, either on its own or in compounds. The reason why it is considered to be an important area is that our main operation is completely based on plastic and that in our environmental management system, we assessed our product to be a considerable environmental aspect based on the fact that plastic polymers are derived from crude oil, which is a finite resource that cannot be reproduced.

To our own product – sustainable plastic – we have associated the following prioritised aspects:

- Recycled/renewable material Production/ technical product development
- · Energy use
- Transport (CO₂)
- Waste/spill

RECYCLED PLASTIC RAW MATERIALS

The increased focus on the global environmental situation has in many ways change the perspectives of producers and consumers. This along with a substantially increased competitive situation has changed the view on raw materials. The modified view has entailed inter alia a substantially increased interest in recycled plastic raw materials. It has also entailed a change with regard to the requirements on recycled plastic raw materials.

Today, recycled plastic raw materials are used more and more often in highly qualified applications, which places more stringent demands than ever on recycled plastic raw materials. For more demanding applications, having a major environmental benefit and an attractive level pricing is not enough. Superior technical know-how is crucial in ensuring that the commodity has the sufficient, necessary and essential product quality.

With environment, expertise, quality and history, Rondo has a unique advantage and more than 30 years of experience in upgrading and refining recycled plastic raw materials. Our parent company, Polykemi AB, for more than 40 years has, in many regards generated world-leading skills within the field of technical compounding.

Our specific method focuses on our three most important customer values: Environment, Quality and Cost. The company's goal is to increase the proportion of recycled plastic raw materials in our manufacturing. Our goal (2018) is for us to use at least a 25% proportion of recycled material in our production.

One question we often receive is how great are the environmental advantages of using recycled raw materials over new raw materials. Here is a small example. With regard to an unfilled polypropylene, the use of one tonne of recycled plastic entails a reduction in CO₂ emissions equivalent to more than 7000 km of driving a medium-sized car that releases 140 g of CO₂ per kilometre. The example shows that we can affect the environment through better-thought-out choices!







SCOPE I

Indirect emissions from sources owned or controlled by the organization.

ENERGY USE IN THE ORGANIZATION	2017	2016
Direct energy use: Gasol Seden (ton)	0,38	0,18
CO ₂ Gasol Seden (ton)	1,2	-

Figure 8

COMPANY CARS*	2017	2016
Total CO ₂ (ton)	56,9	-
Number of cars Fossil fuel	33	-
Number of cars El/electric hybrid	4	-

Figure 9

SCOPE 2

Direct emissions that come from electricity generation, heat or steam purchased by the organization.

ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION	2017	2016
Total energy use Sweden (MWh)	22 650	19 736
Total CO ₂ emissions Sweden (ton)	566	493
Energy use per ton produced Sweden (MWh)	0,41	0,42
CO ₂ missions per ton produced Sweden	0,01	0,01
Total energy use China (MWh)	3 637	2 877
Total CO ₂ emissions China (ton)	2 590	2 048
Energy use per ton produced China (MWh)	0,53	0,44
CO ₂ emissions per ton produced China	0,38	0,38
District heating Sweden (MWh)	493	450

Figure 10

SCOPE 3

CO ₂ EMISSIONS DURING TRANSPORT*	2017	2016
Inbound raw material (ton)	5 726	6 101
Deliveries (ton)	2 467	5 527
Internal transport Sweden	2 ton	2 ton

FLIGHTS (TON)	2017	2016
Totalt CO ₂ emission	55,8	-
CO ₂ emission Europa	28	-
CO ₂ emission Asien/USA	27,750	-

	Figi	ure 12
MATERIAL USE	2017	2016
Total material use Sweden (ton)	54 816	53 657
CO ₂ emissions Sweden (ton)	64 990	56 040
Recycled material Sweden (ton)	7 746	6 014
CO ₂ emission Recycled material Sweden (ton)	5 253	4 483
Recycled material Sweden (%)	25,9%	25,7%
Total materialanvändning China (ton)	6 824	6 517
CO ₂ emissions China (ton)	10 590	10 229
Recycled material China (ton)	205	124
CO ₂ emissions Recycled material China (ton)	76	46
Recycled material China (%)	3%	1,90%

RECYCLING PROJECTS

Polykemi is involved as one of three cooperative partners in an EU project within the Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme; the project is called NIR-Sort. The material produced in the project may be used in packaging material via Scanfill. The aim of the project is to replace carbon black and other conventional pigments with new pigments that are detectable by infra-red light (NIR). This is something that in turn can enable the sorting of plastic materials with infra-red light. Black-coloured plastic components can then be separated from refuse streams at a degree of purity that allows them immediately to be recycled and used in high-quality construed polymers.

The project will take two years and will be led by Luxus Ltd in cooperation with Polykemi, who will participate with regard to the development of recipe formulations, compounding and the testing of material. More information can be found on the Luxus home page: http://www.luxus.co.uk/news/luxus-led-consortium-secures-1-29m-eu-funding-for-novel-near-infrared-detectable-colourants.

RENEWABLE MATERIALS

Polykemi's subsidiary, Scanfill, launched a biobased packaging material in 2015 which is made of 100% oil-free material. The material consists half of non-oil-based polymers (polyethylene from sugar cane) and the other half is made of a mineral with a relatively low impact on the environment. The material is now commercially available and is being sold to a number of clients; we are working constantly to make deals with other customers who are interested in bio-based materials.

In 2017, we took part in a Danish project concerning an evaluation of using mussel shells as a mineral replacement in plaster. Together with other interested parties in the field, Polykemi will produce various polymers containing ground mussel shells in order to test and evaluate this possible resource.

PRODUCTION & TECHNICAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Our product development department is driven by an immense curiosity with an attitude that nothing is impossible. With a well-equipped development department and other staff members with a passion for the job, Polykemi can face even the most demanding of challenges. Polykemi constitutes a flexible alternative to the major players on the market. See Figure 17 on page 24 for more information on Polykemi's compounding process.

Without the inertia found in major organisations, the development department can quickly start a project for a customer, no matter whether it pertains to white goods, household appliances, vehicles or some other end product. In dialogue with the customer, we offer creative and unique solutions that are not restricted to a static product range.

LABORATORY – COLOUR ADAPTATION FOR PLASTIC

Polykemi feels that one of the fundamental pillars behind giving our customers high-quality compounds is that we have a well-developed laboratory. At present, the laboratory can conduct a large number of tests in order to ensure that the compound for the customer has the desired properties.

The work of the laboratory is conducted by well-trained workers with specialist knowledge in the fields of polymers, additives and pigments, and have at their disposal access to a large selection of speciality instruments for testing/inspecting plastic raw materials.

One of the absolute strengths is that we can adapt the colour of all of our compounds as our customers wish. The laboratory is covered by a matching department whose task is to contribute with specialist expertise within the field of pigment – nuance – tolerance development. The matching department serves customers by producing desired colour samples in various compounds in our formulations.

ENERGY USE

In order to reduce emissions of CO₂, it is important that we as a company both work at reducing energy consumption and in choosing energy from sustainable sources. We only use electricity and district heating as energy sources to feed our premises and our other business operations. The lion's share of our energy consumption is found in supplying our extruder lines with electricity. The electricity that we purchase in comes 100% from renewable energy sources such as hydroelectric

power, wind power, tidal power, solar energy and wave energy. The company has a cross-functional energy group with representatives from environment and quality, maintenance (electricity) and production. The energy group works to execute the goals/action plans put forth to reduce the company's energy consumption.

In 2017, we joined an energy efficiency network operated by the County Council in Scania. The purpose of the network is to strengthen the competitiveness of companies and their trademarks by increasing skills in energy-efficiency measures. During the network meetings, the companies receive qualified advice from an energy expert, as well as an opportunity to exchange experiences with other companies in the network. More information is available at https://kfsk.se/energieffektivisering-i-sma-och-medelstora-foretag/natverk-skane-2/.

Even if Polykemi, as a company, is not subject to the new legal requirements to perform an energy audit, Polykemi's management decided that we would implement a complete energy audit of our entire Swedish operation. A certified consultancy firm has been hired in order to perform an energy audit for the first half of 2017, and a report on this energy audit was presented in the month of September. The completed energy audit will form the basis for various energy efficiency measures/investments for 2018 - 2020, as presented in Figure 14 on page 23.

During the end of 2017, we have both renovated and built an addition to our main office in Ystad. In connection with this, we have upgraded both the heating systems and lighting to the latest technology. Some other energy efficiency measures undertaken are:

- Installed a water-borne heating system integrated with the cooling system.
- Prepared to be able to connect to the water-borne system so we can use waste water from our production.
- LED lighting governed via presence monitoring (Figure 15, page 23).
- New fan system to improve circulation and the recycling of heat.

Other measures to reduce energy consumption are presented in Figure 16 on page 23.

HEAT ENERGY IN OUR PROCESS WATER

The production makes use of a cooling system in the form of a cooling tower for the recycling of process water, which entails both a smaller quantity of water being consumed and that the water is recirculated in our pools and that the heat is used to heat up premises and offices.

TRANSPORTS

A considerable environmental aspect for Polykemi is our transports. Transport of various kinds have a major impact on CO₂ emissions in the world. At present, we make considerable use of lorry transports for delivery of the company's raw materials and finished materials.

In order to reduce the impact on the environment, our transport and logistics department works to optimise transportation to our customers. This is done by means of a consolidated shipment of materials, as well as warehousing at the subsidiary in the Czech Republic and concession warehouses at a number of customer locations.

In 2017, the company did a follow-up on the CO₂ emissions of our transports with respect to the transportation of the company's raw materials and finished materials. As a requirement for 2018, or expediters shall apply European standard EN16258 (CO₂- emissions calculation) in order to calculate their CO₂ emissions.

With respect to transport in China, this is done both with lorries and by boat (via river); however, at the present moment, we have no information to report with regard to CO₂ emissions for Chinese transports.

In previous sustainability reports, we have not reported any summary of our business trips by car and by air. 2017 is the first year in which we have done a summary of CO₂ emissions concerning our business trips, which are presented in Figures 9 and 12 on page 20.

WASTE AND REFUSE

The largest fraction of waste occurring in our production consists of plastic lumps. We take care of these ourselves and sort them out according to material in order then to be able to grind

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AREA – PROCESS/EXTRUDERS – COOLING/HEATING CONTROL

MEASURES	SAVINGS (KWH/YEAR)	INVESTMENT (SEK)	REPAYMENT	PLANED IMPLEMENTA- TION (YEAR)
Insulation mats for 3 extruders	Ca. 50 000/ extruder	250 000	1,5 year	2018
Insulation mats for 6 extruders	Ca. 50 000/ extruder	500 000	1,5 year	2019
Insulation mats for 6 extruders	Ca. 50 000/ extruder	500 000	1,5 year	2020
Development of online measurement on more extruders		250 000		2018 - 2020
Education energy management and LCC analyzes		100 000		2018 - 2020
Development of more efficient heat/ cooling control	Estimated to a total of 200 000	250 000 (change of heat control on older extruders)		2018 - 2020
Total	950 000	1 850 000		Figure 14

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AREA - LIGHTING (BYTE TO LED)

AREA/PLACE	SAVINGS (KWH/YEAR)	INVESTMENT (SEK)	REPAYMENT	PLANED IMPLEMENTA- TION (YEAR)
Southern factory (East+West)	220 000	800 000	3,5 year	2018 (finished in may)
Northern part	517 000	1 200 000	2 year	2019 - 2020
Total	737 000	2 000 000		Figure 15

MEASURES TO REDUCE ENERGY USE

AREA	MEASURE
Extruder engine speed	Engine speed optimization for different materials/processes.
Peripheral equipment (fans, lights, mixers)	Will be automated to be able to shut down when the process closes.
Measurement of electricity	Install electric meters on all lines for improvement, follow-up and
consumption	action.
Power quality analysis	Install filters at the sites and thus get better electrical quality and performance.
Insulation of heat band on extruder	Installera värmesköldar på våra extrudrar.

POLYKEMI'S COMPOUNDING PROCESS

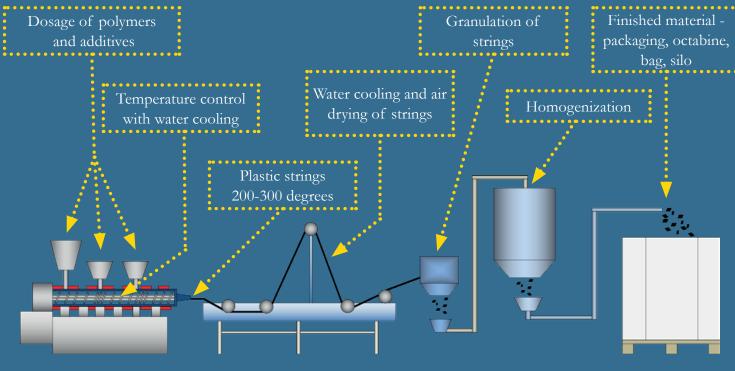


Figure 17

SUPPLIER CHAIN FOR RAW MATERIAL

OIL INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of raw oil and gas

CRACKING INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of raw material (PP, PC etc.)

WASTE PLASTIC MATERIALS

Different sources from industry and consumer

RECYCLED

MATERIAL Volume: 10 000 ton Europe

POLYMERS

Volume: 40 000ton Europe, Asia

MINING INDUSTRY

Mining of different raw minerals (talc, calcium carbonate, wollastonite etc.)

GRINDING MINERALS

Manufacturing of minerals

FILLERS

Volume: 10 000ton Europe, Asia

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OIL INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of raw
oil and gas, some parts
are coming from mining
industry

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of pigments

PIGMENTS

Volume: 500 ton Europe, Asia

OIL INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of raw oil and gas

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

Manufacturing of chemicals (UV, stab. etc.)

CHEMICALS

Volume: 50 ton Europe, Asia

Figure 18

TOTAL WASTE WEIGHT*	2017	2016
Burnable waste Sweden (ton)	947	832
Burnable waste China (ton)	30	19
RECYCLED TYPES SWEDEN		
Cardboard (ton)	268	259
Plastic package (ton)	162	143
Metal (ton)	57	44
Electronics (ton)	2,8	0,5
Recycled types China (total calculation in ton)	178	167
		Figure 19
HAZARDOUS WASTE (By selection)*	2017	2016
Waste oils (ton)	1,8	1,7
Oil products fixed (ton)	0,25	0,3
From oil separator (ton)	30	57,0
Paint waste (ton)	2,1	0,5
		Figure 20

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LISED BACKACING		
USED PACKAGING MATERIAL*	2017	2016
Plastic material (ton)	114	100
Cardboard/paper (ton)	476	400
Metal (ton)	1,2	0,6
		Figure 21
COMPLAINED MATERIAL*	2017	2016
Sweden (ton)	209	193
Sweden (%)	0,38	0,40
		Figure 22
WATER USE*	2017	2016
Polykemi (m³) Municipal water	28 712	20 714
Rondo and Scanfill (m³) Municipal water	13 947	13 449
Herrestad (m³)	285 345	211 472
China (drinking water, m³)	694	332
Total water use (m³)	328 698	245 967
Recirculation (m³)	13 554 21 ggr	8 637 23 ggr
Recirculation (%)	79,1	77,3

Figure 23

these clumps in their own mills into smaller plastic particles/bits. The ground material then becomes a new input plastic commodity that we can use again in our production.

In China, we still do not have any mill to use to grind down plastic lumps, but rather we gather and sort the plastic lumps by material, and then these plastic lumps are sold to other companies that recycle them.

All the other refuse (including hazardous waste) is processed by our contractor, Stena Metall. Followup on our waste fractions is presented in Figure 20.

In China, we have a gathering system for hazardous waste, and there is a certified and approved company that takes charge of such waste.

PROJECT FOR REDUCING PLASTIC WASTE IN OUR SEAS

Sometimes we can read in the media that plastic is one of the greatest environmental threats. The seas are littered with discarded plastic containers, fish die of microscopic plastic particles and what are known as ghost nets float around in large islands killing fish. As a company within the plastic industry, we find it is important that we take our responsibility with regard to this plastic waste found in our oceans. Even if Polykemi is not causing this plastic waste to occur in its own business operation, we want to reinforce our will and ambition to take part in an international effort to reduce the amount of plastic waste. That is why we have joined Operation Clean Sweep during the year (https://opcleansweep. org/), it is a global body dedicated to the reduction of plastic waste in our seas.





RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS

FINANCIAL RESULTS

For us, it goes without saying that our trademark should stand for sound values, and our financial responsibility is a prerequisite in order for us to be able to take responsibility for our part of the development of the community.

Polykemi's overall goals and strategies set out that the company is to have a business concept for growth and be regarded as a "World Class Compounder" by our customers. Our sustainability work must be integrated with the economic goals that the Board of Directors has established for the business operation, as both aspects affect each other – everything is connected.

Polykemi's financial goals are to be able to demonstrate:

- Turn-over
- Profit
- Equity ratio

Achieving economic goals also has other aspects regarding the opportunities to contribute to sustainable development. A solid economic basis is a requirement in order to be able to be a stable business partner for suppliers and customers. Economic success is also a vital factor in order to be able to be an attractive employer. This gives us the possibility for our co-workers to improve, which in turn gives us the possibility to attract the right staff. We must attain our economic goals in order to be able to invest in an a sustainable working procedure; at the same time, we need to work toward sustainability in order to be able to attain our economic goals in the long run.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS

Polykemi strives toward long-term customer relations based on credibility and attentiveness. We see clear connections between satisfied customers and profitability – both for Polykemi and for the customer. Regularly visiting our customers serves as a good tool for us in better understanding our customers' conditions, development, needs and wishes, as well as following up on our own performance. We feel that it is also important as much as possible to invite customers to visit Polykemi. Each year, the respective agent and subsidiary prepares a market report.

We also conduct customer surveys to find out what our customers think about us. The positive opinions about us or that we are very flexible and that we hold personal dialogue with the customer. We also have a technical customer support that helps us out at our customers' locations with regard to fine-tuning new materials, injection moulding or other projects.

Some customers find that our pricing is too high compared to the competition. Some customers question our wide product range and feel that we should focus on a smaller number of materials in order to develop these materials better as time goes on.

With the help of the reports, we can investigate and initiate improvements in general for Polykemi, Rondo or Scanfill as a whole, for a specific market or a specific customer. The report is submitted to the Managing Director, and together with the salesman in charge and the subsidiary or agent, a decision is made concerning any improvements or measures.

SUPPLIER RELATIONS

Polykemi has a supplier standard where we make demands of our suppliers' performance with regard to quality, product safety, environment, chemicals, codes of conduct and human rights. The supplier standard is produced in order to mirror the 10 principles set out in the UN Global Compact.

Those responsible for implementing the supplier standard are those working in the purchasing department. Follow-up is conducted using supplier assessments, questionnaires, site visits and even audits in certain cases.

All major global raw materials suppliers and more than 90% of the total supplier base in 2017 were approved suppliers according to the aforementioned standard. In 2017, 95% of the new suppliers also signed on to our supplier standard. No essential major changes have been made in our supply chain/organisation in 2017.

We will continue the work involved in constantly improving and monitoring the performance of our suppliers. More information about our supply chain can be found in Figure 18 on page 24.

LOCAL SUPPLIERS

Polykemi has an express focus in various manners on supporting local suppliers and dealers. We know the importance of having those in a small town help each other in those situations where one can. We do this because local suppliers know that we can strengthen the vibrant business and industrial town that Ystad is. That is why Polykemi chooses to deal with suppliers from Ystad in those situations where the conditions are essentially equal. However, this does not apply to production raw materials, but to products and services that support the production, as well as certain marketing products and that which is needed at our offices and for our administration. Of these purchases, 35% correspond to purchases from local suppliers.

VALUES, ANTICORRUPTION

Since 2012, Polykemi has had a Code of Conduct (see Figure 24 page 29), that applies to all coworkers within the Polykemi group. It is produced by the management, and along with the Board of Directors theu are responsible for implementing this

among all employees. This is followed up during an management review. The Code of Conduct is also addressed in the introduction programme for all new employees.

WORKSHOP IN SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

On a number of different occasions, we have conductededucation and workshops with regard to CSR work associated with sustainable business development, as well as our Code of Conduct. The education have been conducted both in Sweden and China and with different groups and departments.

That these workshops, the various concepts are clarified and then our core values associated with the company's sustainability work are discussed. Discussions are held with regard to how the individual employee can contribute to improving the sustainability work as time goes on. There was a particular focus on implementing the company's Code of Conduct, where all participants had an opportunity to discuss the various parts of the Code of Conduct based on their own work situations. The workshop will also address situations concerning bribery and corruption, as discussed in the groups.

The result of the employee discussions was that Polykemi's sustainability work needs to extend over the entire value chain, both backward in the supply chain and forward toward customers and consumers. The result also showed that a high level of ethics and non-corruption are important principles behind how we are to conduct our operation.

GLOBAL COMPACT

Global Compact (GC) was presented at the UN "Millennium Summit" in 2000. The GC provides a guideline and a tool for companies and organisations in the exercise of their operations to be able positively to influence the area of human rights, working conditions, environment and corruption. Polykemi has not signed onto the Global Compact, but it stands behind the 10 principles and has incorporated them into the code of conduct, as well as into our policy. Neither is Polykemi connected to any political organisation.

CODE OF CONDUCT ********

Our Code of Conduct is the basis for all company actions, Polykemi companies and employers should in all circumstances act on the Code.

COLLEAGUES

Polykemi respects and supports the UN Convention on Human Rights and encourages its businesses and employees to promote compliance with the Convention.

All of the company's work should be conducted in a safe and healthy working environment to be maintained in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Child labor or work, carried out by force or threat of force, is not accepted by the company according to ILO Convention C138 and C182. All employees should be treated with respect and dignity. No employee should be subjected to physical, sexual, psychological or verbal abuse.

All employees should be treated equally. No job applicant or employee should be subjected to discrimination or harassment based on gender, race, religion, lifestyle, background or origin.

All employees should have working hours that are paid for consistently with applicable law, regulations and collective agreements.

Freedom of association and right to collective bargaining and agreements shall be respected throughout the company, in accordance with applicable law, regulations and ILO Convention.

ENVIRONMENT

Polykemi has been certified according to the environmental standard ISO 14000 since 1998, meaning that we are committed to work for a positive development in the environmental field and actively minimizing or, where necessary, completely removing the risks to the environment from our operations. The company will follow its environmental policy and operate in compliance with all applicable environmental laws and regulations.

Chemicals and other materials that are considered hazardous to people or the environment should be handled, moved, stored, reused and disposed of

safely. Hazardous substances should be minimized or replaced by less hazardous alternative substances. Waste and all types of emissions to air, water and soil shall be minimized and monitored.

Use of natural resources should be continuously reduced through systematic improvement and more efficient production processes.

BUSINESS PRINCIPLES

Polykemi must maintain high standard of business ethics, to respect local laws and not take advantage of actual or incorporated corruption, bribery, fraud or extortion.

Polykemi shall not enter into transactions in which gifts, payments or other benefits can be awarded to affect any party.

UN GLOBAL COMPACT *****

The ten guiding principles of the Global Compact member companies and organizations:

HUMAN RIGHTS

- 1. Support and respect for the protection of international human rights within their sphere of influence.
- 2. Not being involved in human rights violations.

WORKING CONDITIONS

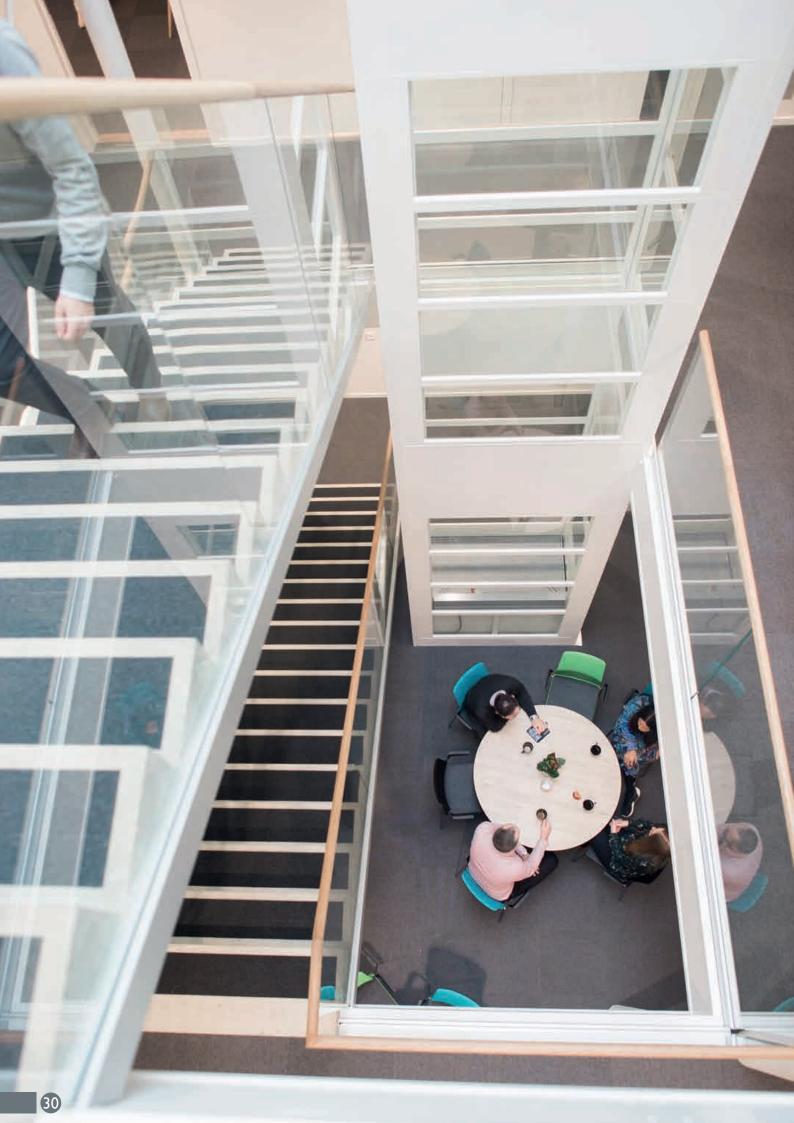
- 3 Uphold the freedom of association and right to collective bargaining.
- 4. Eliminate all forms of forced labor
- 5. Abolition of child labor.
- 6. Do not discriminate in employment and occupation.

ENVIRONMENT

- 7. Support a precautionary approach to the environmental challenges.
- 8. Take initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility.
- 9. Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

CORRUPTION

10. Work against all forms of corruption, including extortion and bribery.



ATTRACTIVE EMPLOYER



Polykemi's co-workers, within all levels and areas, form the driving force that allows us to reach our set goals. The company's responsibility therefore involves creating the very best opportunities for co-workers to succeed in their tasks. We do this fundamentally by means of creating secure employment, clear divisions of responsibilities and decisions, good information and opportunities to make a difference and to develop within the company.

PERSONNEL VISION

The company's work on issues involving organisation, teamwork, leadership, issues concerning conditions, working environment and education, is governed by our personnel vision.

The vision consists of five points (see Figure 26 on page 32) that clarify that we want to be considered an attractive employer, both by our employees and by the outside world, as well as by those seeking employment from us. The vision is developed in dialogue with all co-workers, where everyone during a number of seminars has had the opportunity to acquaint himself with and offer viewpoints on the content within that vision. The changes and the measures we implement shall always resonate with the staff vision.

EDUCATION

The opportunities for education and personal development are very important parts. For Polykemi, education does not only involve classroom instruction, but rather above all it is about the opportunity to learn more on the job, via colleagues, and the opportunities to try new tasks. Education and development are planned at our goal and performance reviews, which are held each year between the employees and their immediate supervisors. All employees (100%) during the past year have undertaken a goal and performance review. Education hours distributed among our co-workers are presented in Figure 27 on page 33.

EXPERTISE/PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

In 2017, we began in Sweden with the implementation of an IT system called Confidence Tool; this is an IT tool that affords us better monitoring/verification of all of our employees' skills both in terms of the current situation and from a development perspective. Here on in, this tool will be able to support and develop the following processes:

- Introduction and education of new employees
- Goal and performance review
- Skills assessment/development
- Educations

SIGNIFICANCE OF LEADERSHIP

In order to achieve a responsibility and participation among the co-workers that the company finds necessary in order to achieve good results, positive leadership is required. Managers and supervisors within the company are those co-workers that can generate a good basis to allow all of our co-workers to feel that they have an opportunity to reach both personal goals and common goals.

In 2017, we have taken a further step in our business development program called "Going for Gold", where practical education in leadership is done by taking on a great responsibility in managing a project group for operative processes. The working procedure will be an important part of our constant improvement work today and in the future.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

We are always working actively to improve our work environment, and this pertains both to the physical and to the psychosocial working environment. What follows are a few things that we have undertaken during the year in order to improve and to ensure a good working environment.

• Held education for all managers with regard to the new work environment act concerning organisational and social working environments (AFS 2015:4); the purpose is to increase awareness of these topics.

- Education within the field of personal protective equipment and the handling of chemicals, to increase knowledge and understanding with regard to chemical handling being improved, as well as the working environment.
- Refurbishment of the ventilation system for four extra lines with improved ventilation technology and an optimised process solution. This provides a better air quality for the indoor air.

Work environment issues have been the focus this year at our factory in Kunshan, China. Production safety controls have been carried out by the Chinese authorities. All audits have had very good results.

SICK LEAVE AND OCCUPATIONAL INJURIES

Polykemi works to prevent the need for sick leave and occupational injuries. This is done in close cooperation with the occupational health services, physiotherapists and preventive healthcare consultants.

Training is conducted on an ongoing basis during working hours to those co-workers that have incipient problems with their backs, necks and shoulders. Sick leave is quickly addressed in a discussion between employees and their immediate supervisors in order to plan for what support or activities a co-worker needs in order not to end up spending a protracted amount of time on sick leave. See Figure 33-34 on page 34 for more information about sick leave.

Sport and fitness exercise have in many ways been an important issue for Polykemi. In 2006, the company's exercise and strength training facility, named Byggeriet, was opened.

SAFETY COMMITTEES

The safety committee is responsible for the overall work concerning the work environment at the company; it is they that produce the goals and action plans for the various activities that are to be implemented. We have safety committees both in Sweden and in China they consist of: Technical manager, work environment technician, production

• PERSONNEL VISION •••••••

1. Professionalism

- Focus on customers. We are there for the customers and must satisfy their needs.
- Targeting. See your role in the big picture, we are working towards common goals.
- Cost consciousness. Do your work as if you owned the business.

2. Responsibility

- Take responsibility for your workplace, tasks and yourself.
- Dare to try new ways, but learn from mistakes.
 Delegate as much as possible.
- Keep your promises. A seemingly small mistake can have major consequences later.

3. Respect

- Have respect for your colleagues. Accept that others sometimes do better.
- Follow the decision. Then you can demonstrate respect for the wholeness and strategy.
- Listen to others. Assume that all people mean well and want to develop Polykemi.

4. Interactivity

- Be friendly towards customers, insiders and suppliers.
- See the general picture. Think about the needs and wishes the surrounding people have.
- Be involved and influence others. Your thoughts are important. Make your voice heard.

5. Honesty

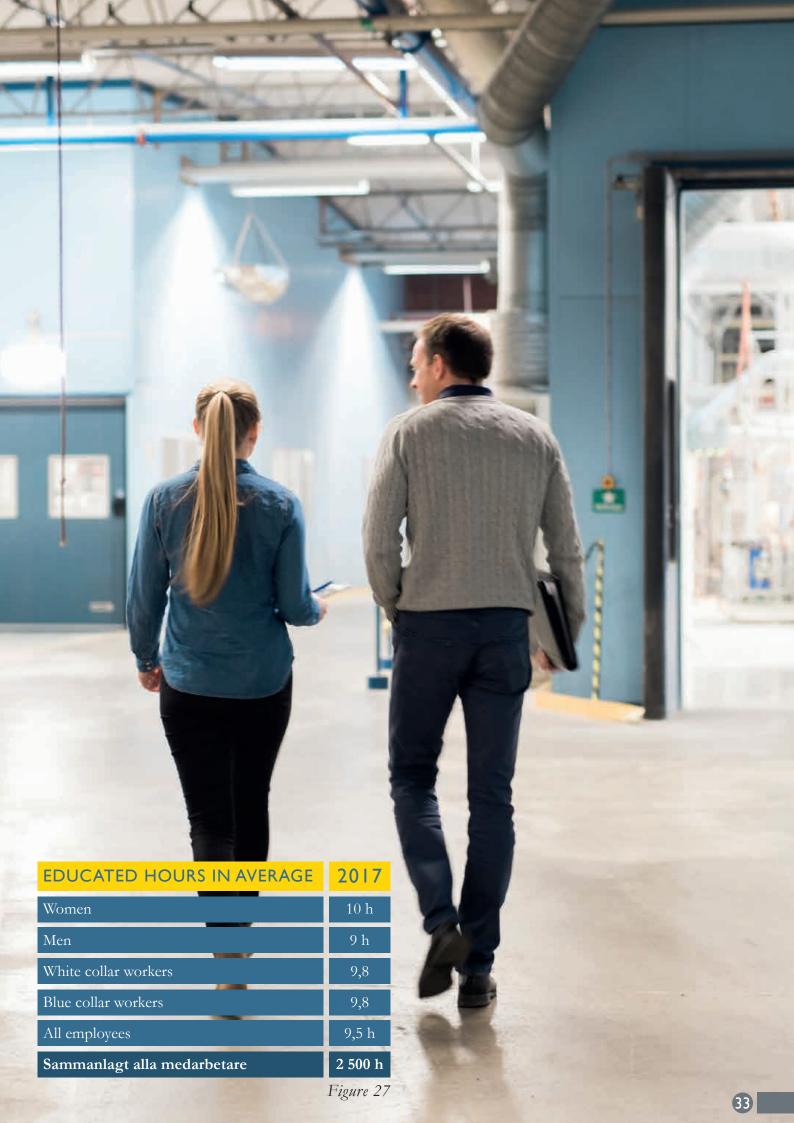
- Be clear, direct and honest. You will receive the same in return.
- Dare to speak up. Say it openly and constructively.
- Give both praise and criticism. Both are essential for success.
- Allow to reconsider. Those who are listening and want to improve can also reassess.

Figure 26

manager, staff manager, department manager and safety representatives from various departments In total there are 12 (4.7% of the labour force) people working on the safety committees.

LAWS AND GUIDELINES

Polykemi naturally abides by all contracts and by all labour legislation. Work environment issues are addressed, and they satisfy EU legislation. In this field, there are also several other governing policy documents:

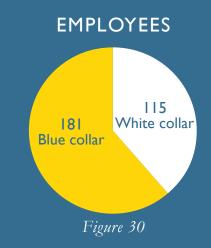


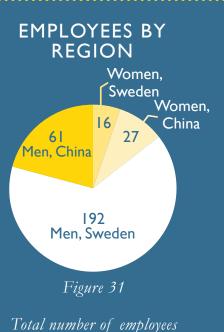
ORGANIZATION AND EMPLOYEES POLYKEMI GROUP

Figures 28-31 apply to the entire Polykemi Group. Figure 32 only applies to Polykemi Group in Sweden.

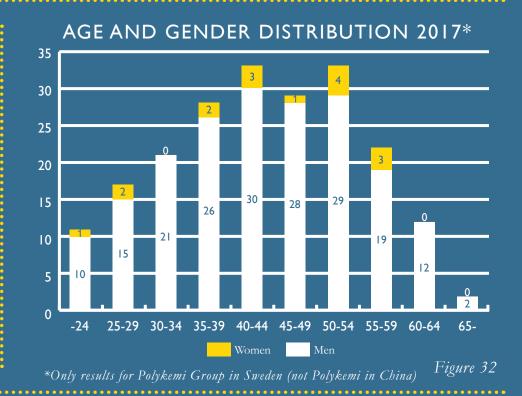








= 100 %.



SICK LEAVE ACTIVITIES SWEDEN 2017	
Sick leave, short-term	2,5 %
Sick leave, long-term	1,2 %
Sick leave, total	3,7 %
Workplace accidents with sick leave (number/100 pers)	0 st
Injury rehabilitation	1 st
	Figure 22

	Figure 33
	1 st
ck	0 st
	3,7 %
	1,2 %

SICK LEAVE ACTIVITIES CHINA 2017	
Sick leave, short-term	0,61 %
Sick leave, long-term	1,71 %
Sick leave, total	2,32 %
Workplace accidents with sick leave (number/100 pers)	0 st
Injury rehabilitation	0 st

- Personnel vision
- Work environment policy
- Equality and diversity
 - Equal-opportunities policy
 - Policy against harassment
- Code of conduct: Rules of behaviour
- Global Compact

All co-workers within the Polykemi Group (except in China) are covered by collective agreements, both collective agreement employees and salaried personnel. This means that the companies base all issues concerning conditions and negotiations on the guidelines set out in the collective agreement. For more important changes in the operation, no period of notice is stated in the collective agreement; however, the company initiates discussions with the relevant union and provides notice of any changes in accordance with the Employment (Co-determination in the Workplace) Act. All co-workers have been trained with regard to the various policy documents. All the employees receive a welcome binder with complete documentation and a course concerning policy issues.

In China, there is a professional central organisation, ACFTU, which in turn has ten subordinate trade associations. No other unions are allowed in China. ACFTU can sign collective agreements, but it only does this with major multinational companies.

No fines, sanctions or other legal measures have been taken against us with regard to anti-competitive activities, violations or breaches of laws or directives having to do with the provision of products or services, fraud, discrimination at the workplace or anything similar. No incidents have occurred with regard to corruption. We have not violated any provision regarding the labelling of products, nor the social or economic fields or within marketing communication.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

Crucial to our striving to attain a positive diversity with a great degree of openness is our policy document for equal opportunities, as well as our policy against harassment.

EQUAL-OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

We believe in a business operation based on openness and diversity. This creates a positive working climate and greater opportunities for the company to achieve successes within various fields.

There shall be no obstacle against working in our work environment on the basis of sex. Neither shall there be any discrimination on the basis of sex, age, creed, sexual proclivity or ethnic and national background. We reject all forms of discrimination. We do this through active work in our everyday operation, where the corporate administration, supervisors and co-workers together take responsibility for noticing and for dealing with discriminatory behaviour. In 2017, no cases of discrimination reported.

POLICY AGAINST HARASSMENT

Co-workers within Polykemi AB shall have a safe working environment where everyone is treated with respect. One of the company's values is respect, which is about treating other people in the way one wishes to be treated, and on all occasions showing respect for one's co-workers. This entails not needing to be subjected to any type of workplace bullying.

Polykemi AB does not tolerate any employee subjecting his work colleagues to bullying, sexual harassment or harassment on the basis of sex. This means that someone having bullied another person at work may be subjected to disciplinary measures within the framework of the legal system.

The Managing Director is responsible for the policy. Every person in a supervisory capacity is responsible for the implementation of the policy and for carrying out measures according to the action plan, with the support of the human resources manager.

ORGANISATION AND EMPLOYEES

On 1 January 2017, number of employees amounted to 296 co-workers within the entire Group. See Figure 28-32 on page 34 for more information.

Polykemi constantly conducts payroll surveys prior to the annual payroll review to ensure that salaries are in phase with responsibilities and authorisations. We apply individual pay structures, and within the proximate future, we will introduce a model to facilitate the work of evaluating performance in relation to the requirements of the position.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

GLOBAL AND LOCAL

CSR and sustainability are very much about how a company, through its activities, can affect social conditions in the community at large, and even on the international level. Our company has an opportunity to influence the situation both in and around our community, and partly also to influence all our stakeholders in any way, both on the local and global scale.

COMMUNITY

Polykemi Group plays an active role in a public debate in Ystad. Through various forums, we discussed the most important entrepreneurial and social issues with other business owners and municipal and parliamentary representatives. For Polykemi it is important to participate in the debate in order both to influence and to create an open dialog with our key stakeholders - in the municipality. We also cooperate with a school where we can offer internships, and we can help to inform the students about different career options. There will be school classes in the form of field trips in order to be able to see our work progress.

AMBIENT ENVIRONMENT

By ambient environment we refer to companies or individuals living or staying close to our operations. Because our manufacturing activities are ongoing around the clock, it is primarily three things that can be affected by us: transportation by trucks, noise and plastic smell. To minimize the damage to our environment, we have a single access road to Polykemi for trucks. As noise and plastic smell are concerned, there are various controlling programs (internal procedures), which ensure that we are acting within the given rules and restrictions.

INVOLVEMENT IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, SWEDEN

A commitment to the community is one of the driving forces for Polykemi and its owner. We have a large voluntary involvement in the local clubs and culture. Examples of such involvement and financial donations in sport:

- YIF Handball
- Öja FF
- SoGK Charlo Soccer
- Tomelilla Motorclub
- Österlens Equestrian Club
- Marsvinsholms Theater
- My Special Day (Min Stora Dag)
- The Music Help (Musikhjälpen, Radiohjälpen)
- The Swedish Child Diabetes Foundation

INVOLVEMENT IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, CHINA

At our factory in Kunshan, China, we are engaged in the local community. In China, there is a Hukou system for preventing uncontrolled migration to cities among other things. In Hukou, you are entitled to social benefits, but only in the area you are registered in, which is usually your local community. This, in its turn, means that migrant workers' children do not have the right to education in the area where their parents work and live. As a solution to this problem, there are, therefore, private schools for such children. In addition, one of the problems is that the fees are high and the education cycle is often not at the same level as at the state schools. Since February 2012, we have been involved in Xinkunskolan project to arrange a nearby private school for migrants' children. As a part of this project, we sponsor student's education and help with teaching English in the absence of English teacher at school. Our staff conducts English classes twice a week in the sixth grade.



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^{*(}Other information missing / not available)

