

# Agenda

- UNEP Environmental Management System (EMS) Overview
- Planning and Monitoring Environmental Aspects
- Examples of Initiatives
- Looking ahead



## **Environmental Sustainability Commitments**

## **UN System and UNEP**

#### 2001

- Environment Management Group (EMG)
- Sustainable UN team (SUN) and the Issue Management Group

#### 2012

Rio+20, Member States called to improve the management of facilities and operations

#### 2015

- UN Climate neutrality 2020
- SDGs 2030 Agenda
- EMS cycle (2015-2019)
- Environmental Policy Statement
- Charter for the UN Gigiri Compound

#### 2019

- UN Sustainability Strategy 2020– 2030 Phase I: Environmental sustainability
- UN Secretariat Climate Action Plan
- UNEP air travel guidelines
- UN Secretariat Environmental Policy

















#### 2007

- UN Climate Neutral Strategy
- Monitoring and reporting its greenhouse gas emissions

#### 2013

CEB (heads of UN organizations) to implement EMS

#### 2016-2017

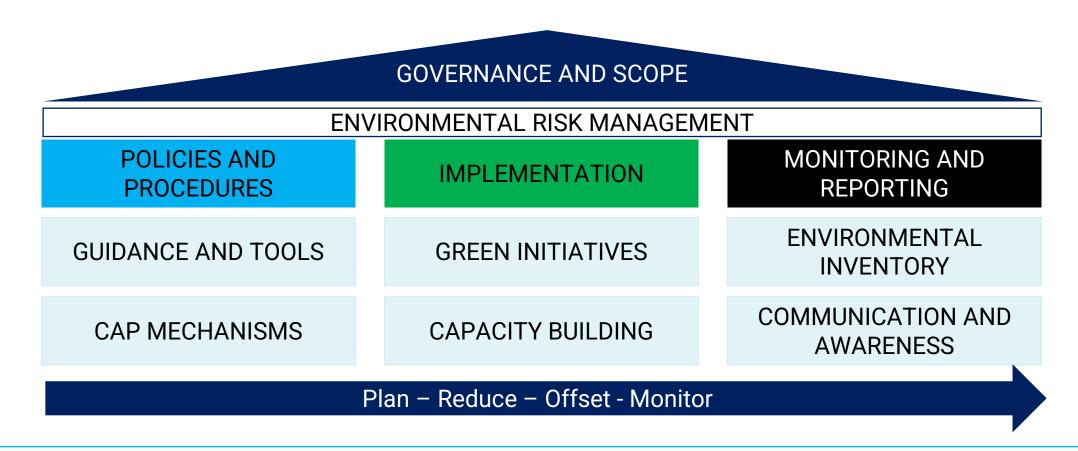
- UN Reform
- Action plan for integrating SD into Secretariat-wide
- Annual environmental inventory
   Waste & water

#### 2020-2021

- UN Sustainability Strategy 2020–2030 Phase I
- EMS cycle (2020-2024)
- BOS 2.0 Nairobi-Environmental Sustainability



Approach to Environmental Management





## Governance and Scope



DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (MANAGEMENT): Oversee the implementation of Environmental Management System (EMS)



DIVISIONAL / REGIONAL DIRECTORS: Ensure that divisions incorporate the Environmental Policy into their activities, operations, and policy decisions



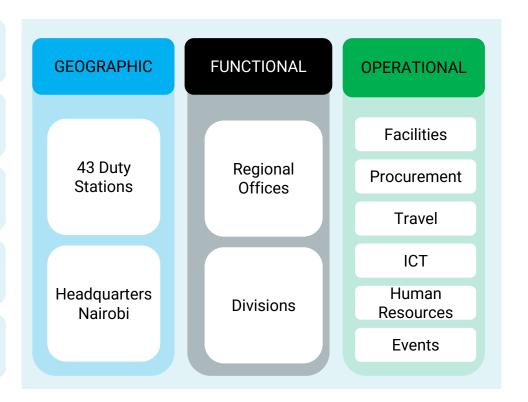
STEERING GROUP: Oversight body chaired by Corporate Service Division (CSD) and representatives from departments



WORKING GROUP: Coordination team to implement EMS across UNEP

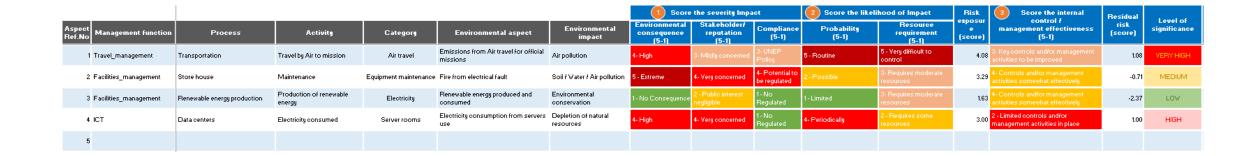


SUSTAINABILITY FOCAL POINTS: Develop, implement, monitor "Risk Mitigation (Action Plans)"





Environmental Risks into Enterprise Risk Management



Selected Processes & Activities

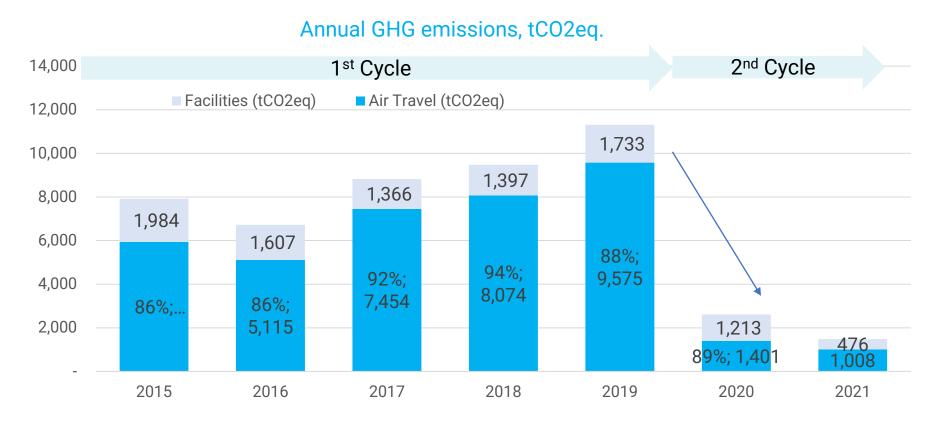
Identified how activities interact with environment (Aspects and Impacts)

Scored Severity & Likelihood to estimate Risk Exposure

Scored Internal
Controls for
Level of
Significance



Total GHG emissions Performance Review (example)



Air travel emissions represent around 85% of UNEP's carbon footprint, air travel is an environmental priority to tackle at EMS 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle (2020-2024). Other aspects:

- Waste management
- Water management
- Energy efficiency
- Awareness and communication



Internal Carbon Levy Mechanism (example)

- Internal levy charged on all GHG emissions, including facilitiesuse and Air Travel (all locations; both staff missions and sponsored travel of meeting participants, experts, etc.)
- USD 40 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>, about 1.3 % of travel costs and a charge for building emissions based on divisional headcounts
- Since 2018-19, set up by Corporate Services Division and approved by Senior Management Team. Expected income up to USD 300,000 / year
- Information Technology services to integrate tax directly into Travel system to simplify its application + make cost directly visible to travelers

## Ensure climate neutrality:

- Offsetting carbon emissions
- Financing environmental sustainability activities
- Raise awareness on the environmental impact of air travel
- Encourage alternative modes of transport



Green Initiatives (examples)

### **Energy Consumption**









#### **Water Conservation**

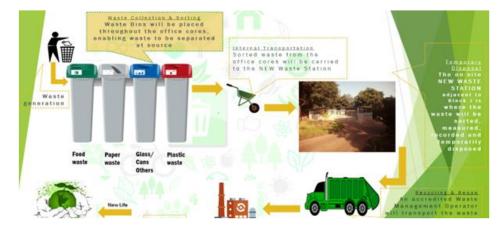




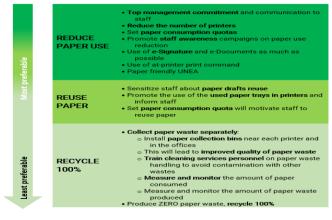




### **Waste Management**



### **Resource Management**

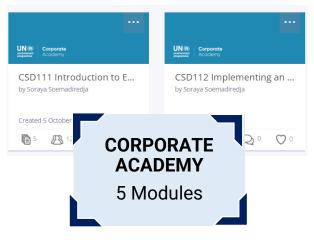






Capacity Building and Awareness (examples)











Looking ahead

## SUCCESSFUL FACTORS

- Connect Directors and Office Managers for support
- Growth of the network of Environmental Sustainability Focal Points
- Expand scope of data collection
- Implement a Risk Management approach

## **FUTURE FOCUS**

- Integration of environmental sustainability into HR processes
- Strenghten relationship and collaboration in common premises
- Digitalization and automation path to climate neutral



