

Sustainability Report 2019

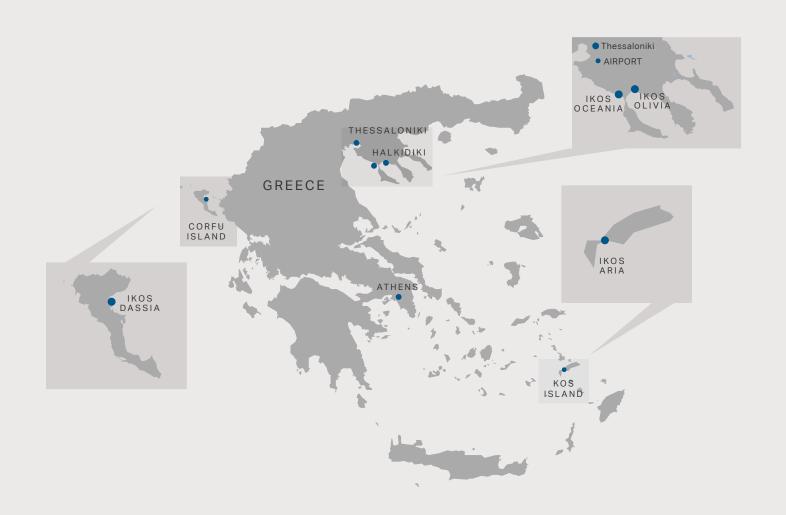






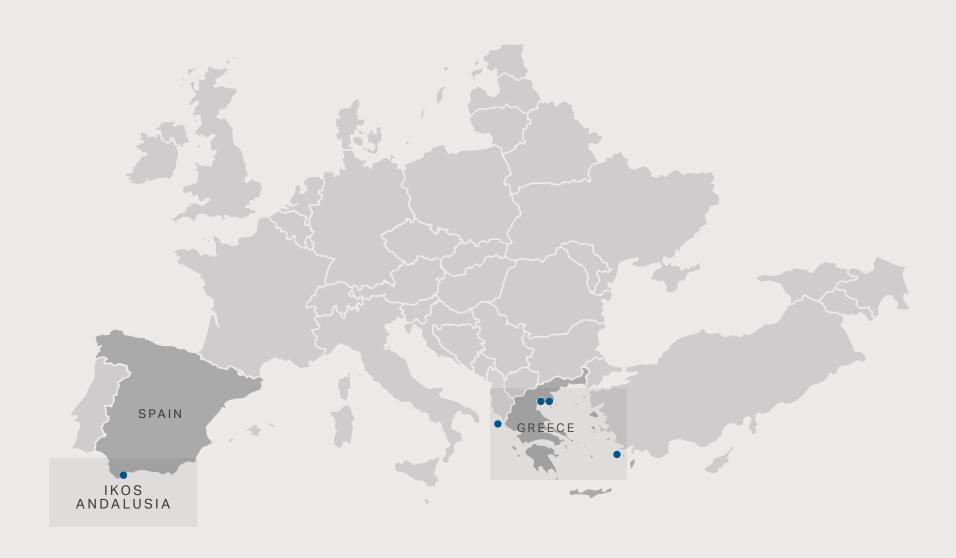
# OUR RESORTS

Award-winning Ikos Resorts are reinventing the luxury all-inclusive beach holiday across the Mediterranean; from the Halkidiki Peninsula in Northern Greece, the islands of Corfu & Kos to Spain's Costa Del Sol in Estepona, close to glamorous Marbella.



# OUR RESORTS

The newest to join the Ikos Family, Ikos Andalusia has expanded the dream into Spain. Guests soak up the carefree ambience and ultra-cool Mediterranean style in the sun drenched Costa Del Sol, close to the cosmpopolitan centre of Marbella and historic town of Estepona.



# SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS 2019

The Ikos Green sustainability programme is implemented, managed and monitored by skilled professional, internal and external audits. These third-party evaluations measure our performance and ensure the credibility.

Hotels are awarded with the following certifications on sustainability and food safety standards:

#### IKOS OCEANIA

Travelife Gold Certification, Green Key Certification, Blue Flag Certification, ISO 22000 Certification, ISO 14001 Certification

#### **IKOS OLIVIA**

Travelife Gold Certification, Green Key Certification, Blue Flag Certification, ISO 22000 Certification, ISO 14001 Certification

#### **IKOS DASSIA**

Green Key Certification, ISO 22000 Certification, ISO 14001 Certification

#### **IKOS ARIA**

Green Key Certification, Blue Flag Certification, ISO 22000 Certification, ISO 14001 Certification















# IKOS GREEN & SDGs

The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), otherwise known as the Global Goals, are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity.

These 17 Goals include areas such as climate change, economic inequality, innovation, sustainable consumption, peace and justice.





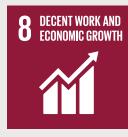
































# IKOS GREEN & SDGs

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Goal 6.
Ensure availability
and sustainable management of
water and sanitation for all

Our goal is to decrease water use and ensure clean wastewater. Treated wastewater is used for garden irrigation in the resorts, from state-of-the-art wastewater treatment plants. Rooms and common are fitted with low-flowing water features, while our staff are continually trained on efficient water management. The resorts have also introduced a zero-plastic strategy in order to reduce plastic pollution.



Goal 13.
Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

At Ikos Resorts, diesel fuel is not used, and solar panels are used for hot water production in Ikos Dassia and Aria.

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RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

Goal 12.
Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

We have adopted tools to monitor the impact of our operations on energy, water, waste and biodiversity. All key suppliers are evaluated with sustainability criteria and we give preference to local producers. 15 LIFE ON LAND

Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

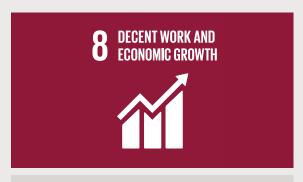
Goal 15.

We have various programmes to protect biodiversity, including partnerships with NGOs such as the Hellenic Ornithological Society for the protection of local wetlands.



Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

Goal 4.



Goal 8.

Promote continual, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and quality of work for all

We place emphasis on long training hours available to employees providing lifelong learning and career advancement opportunities.

# IKOS GREEN AT A GLANCE

# Ikos Green, the Ikos Resorts Sustainability programme is built around four pillars.

#### 1. The Ikos commitment to greener operations

Our resorts are committed to actively reducing energy, water, waste and chemical consumption. Ikos has invested in manysustainability features, including heat pumps, solar panels, a three stage wastewater treatment plant for recycling water, 99% LED lights, BMS and KNX systems for A/C and lighting, low-water, aerated flow features in all taps and showers, roof gardens and botanical gardens, all without compromising the guest luxury experience offered. Waste management is also an important component of our sustainability program. We are committed to reducing waste as much as possible, including important initiatives on drastically cutting down single-use plastic.

#### 2. The Ikos commitment to local products and restaurants

The main objective is to maximise the use of local products on offer, through partnering with local and organic producers (resulting in an Ikos product range of olive oil, honey and wine), as well as developing relationships with local restaurants for dining as part of the all-inclusive price. In what is a global innovation, these restaurants received training from the company, as well as support in delivering excellence. Our guests are enthusiastic about exploring beyond the resort grounds as part of their holiday experience.

# IKOS GREEN AT A GLANCE

3. The Ikos commitment to caring about the local environment beyond hotel grounds The Group's CSR actions have impacted over 40 charities and organisations in the environmental, health, cultural and sports fields, reaching thousands of citizens. For example, through a hospital equipment donation, 6.359 children had access to better emergency healthcare in 2019.

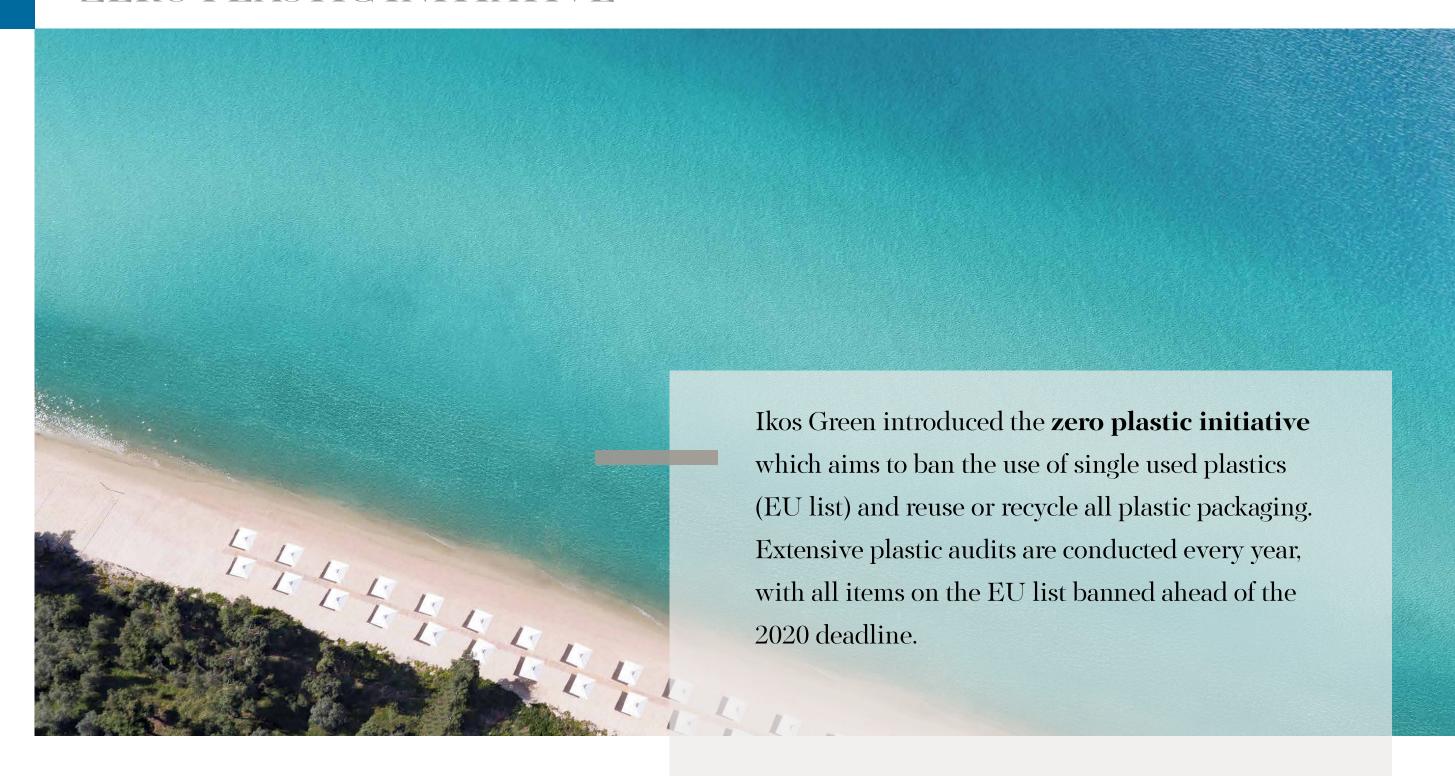
#### 4. The Ikos commitment to greener learning and experiences

Guests can enjoy a variety of environmental experiences at Ikos. Two types of programmes have been developed for younger guests in partnership with NGO Planet Agents, one for ages 4-11 and another for teenagers (12+), encouraging children to become marine explorers and learn about local produce; all run through Ikos mini clubs. Guests can also visit local wineries, as well as go hiking, biking and birdwatching.

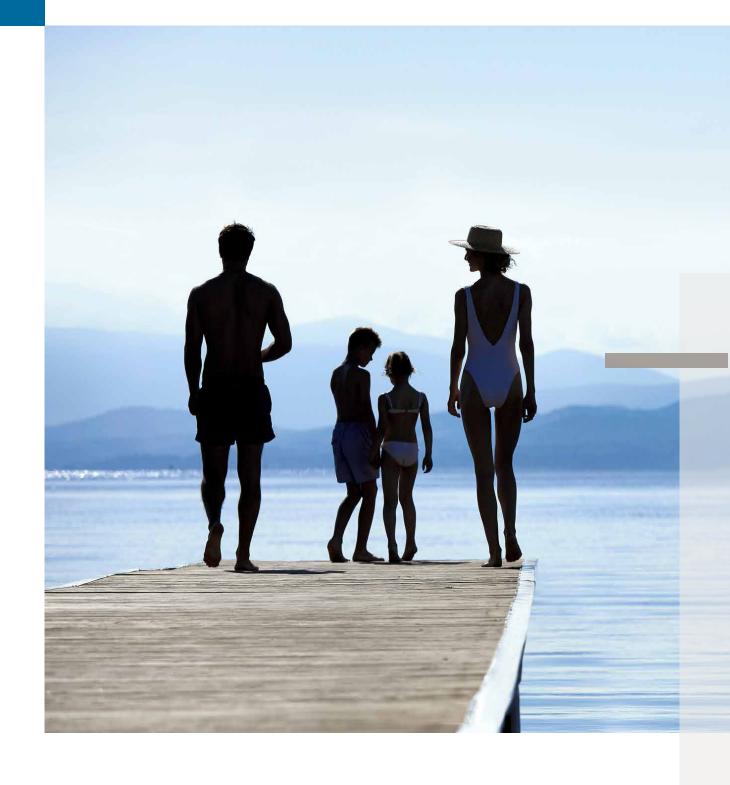
# FOCUS ON CARBON MANAGEMENT



# IKOS GREEN HIGHLIGHTS 2019 ZERO PLASTIC INITIATIVE



# RECYCLING IS KEY TO WASTE MANAGEMENT



More than

# 400 tn

materials recycled in 2019.

This includes all hazardous waste, which was properly handles and recycled.

0,60 kg per guest per night for all Ikos Resorts

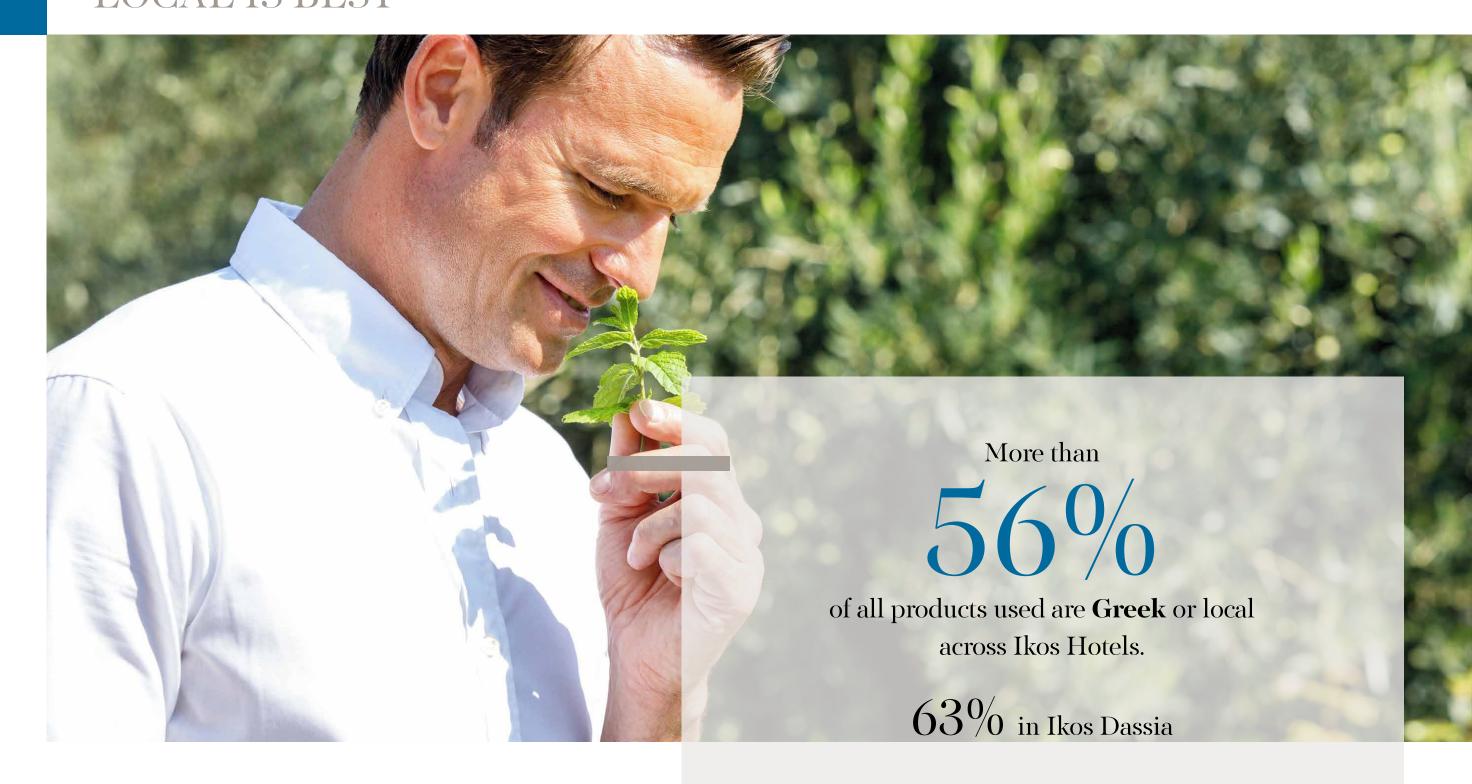
# IKOS GREEN HIGHLIGHTS 2019 ZERO WASTE IN SIGHT



# THIRD-PARTY VERIFIED RESULTS

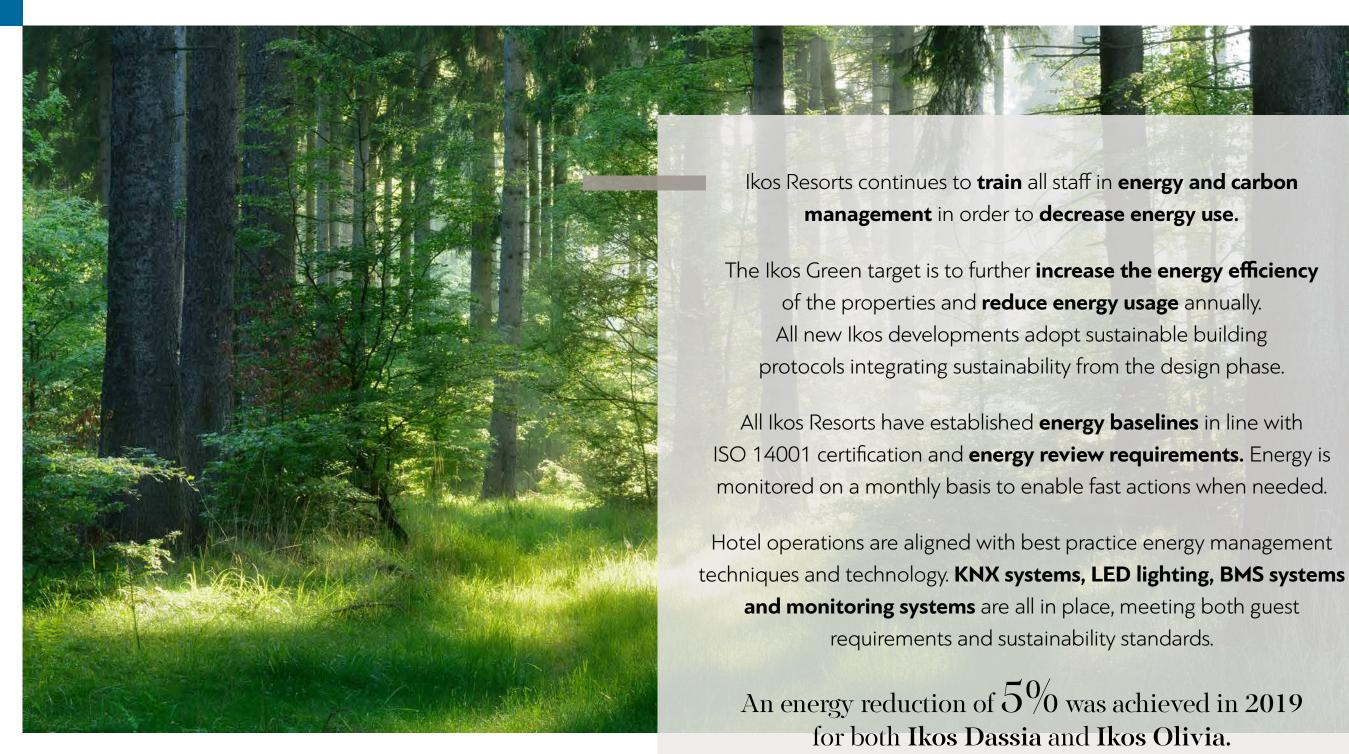


# IKOS GREEN HIGHLIGHTS 2019 LOCAL IS BEST

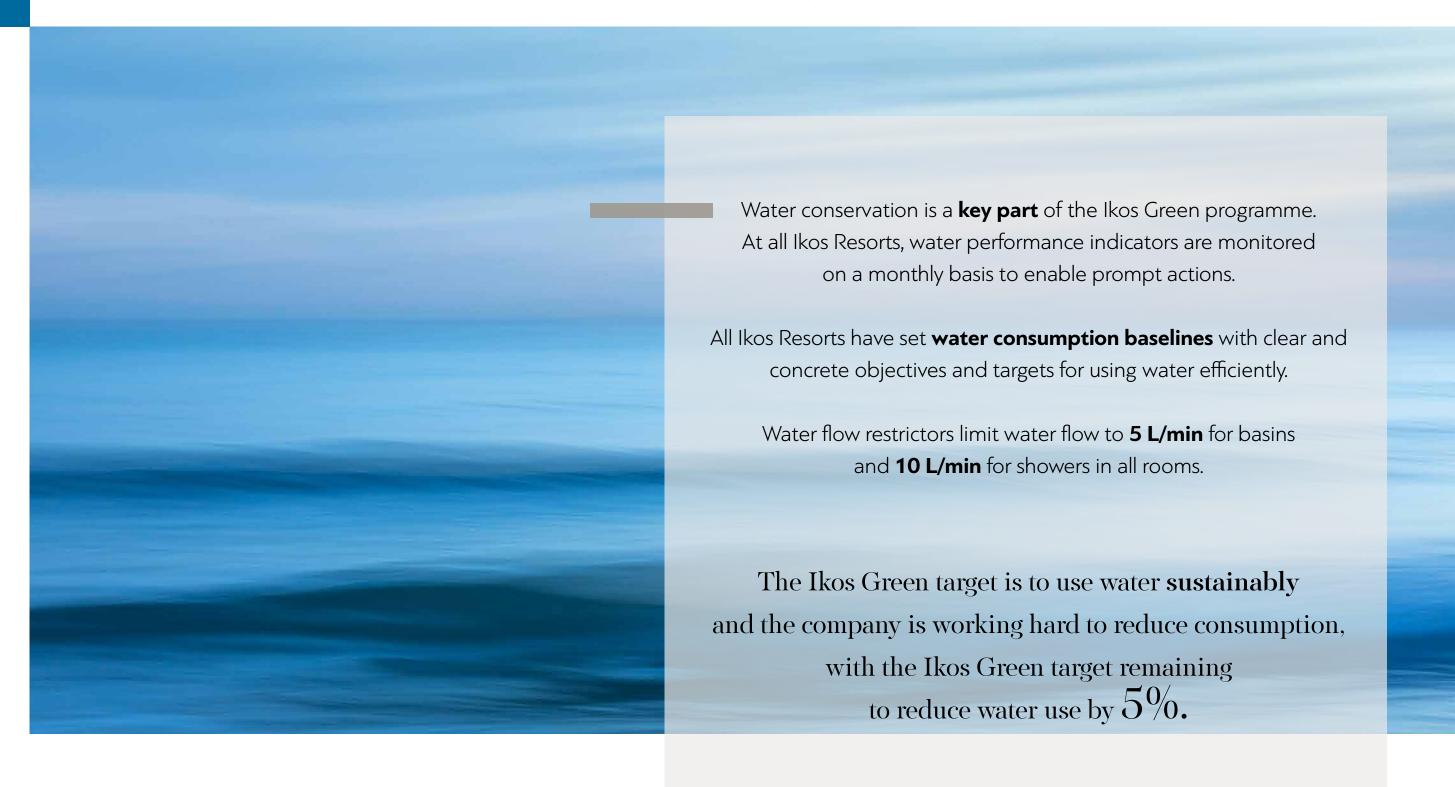




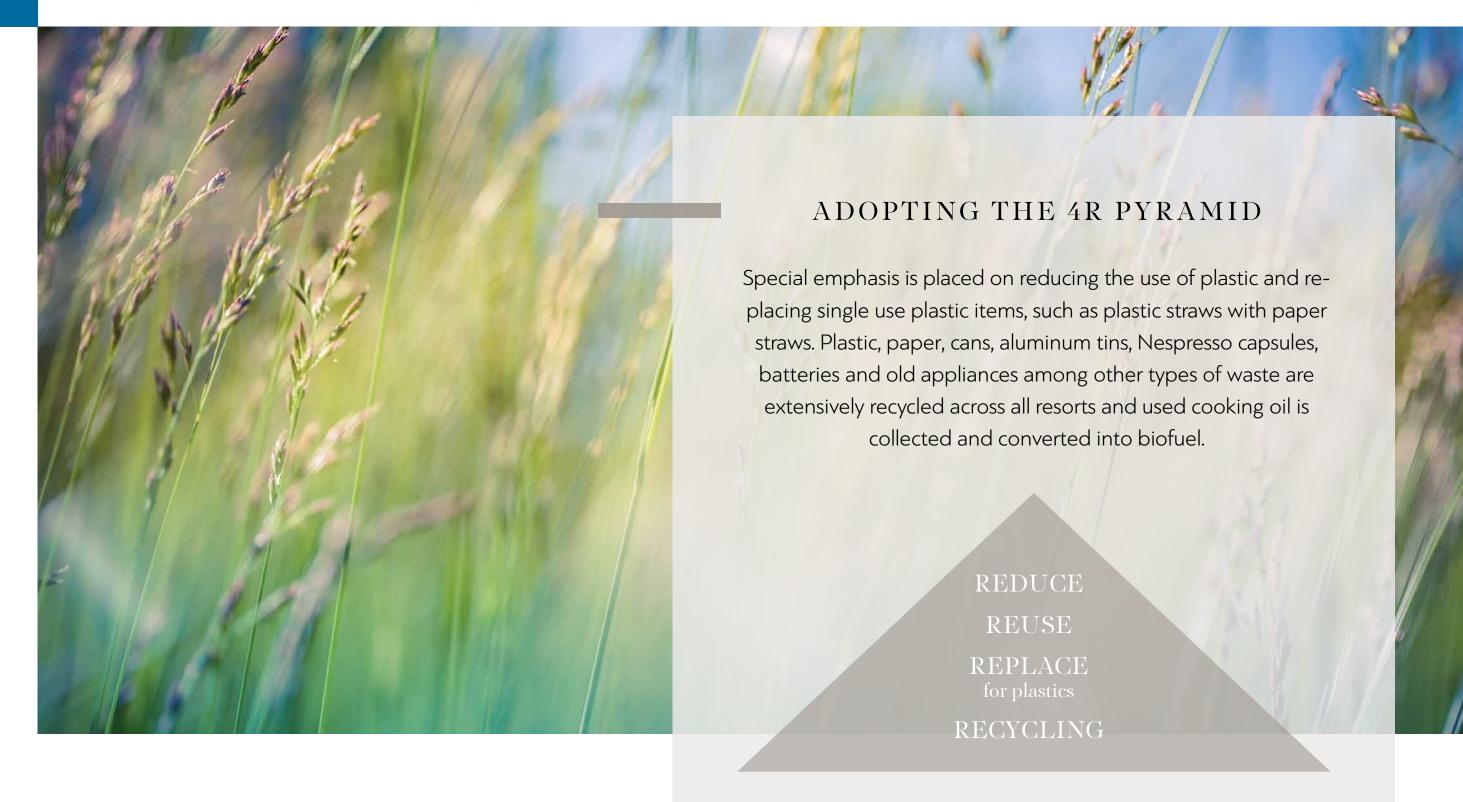
### ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT



### WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT



# IKOS GREEN WASTE MANAGEMENT



#### 2019 RESULTS

Single use plastic items (on the EU list to be banned by 2020) were not used at all

More than **400 tn** of materials were recycled, equivalent to **0,60 kg per guest** per night for all Ikos Resorts

246 tn of organic waste was turned to treated wastewater in Ikos Dassia's zero-waste program

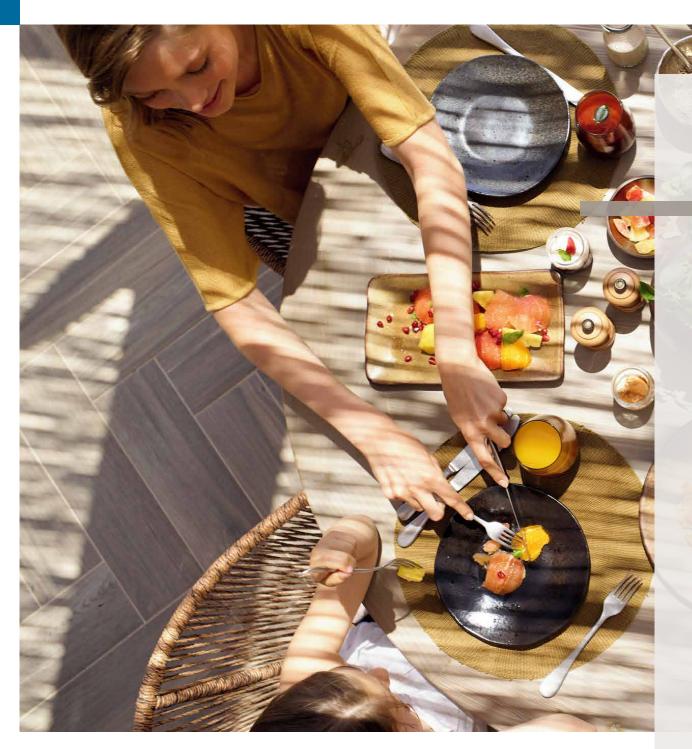
80 tn recycled packaging at Ikos Aria in first year of operation

1.394 kg Nespresso capsules recycled

**376 kg** plastic lids donated to raise funds for wheelchair for a charity through a participating programme

1.226 tn materials recycled in all Ikos Resorts since 2015

### SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT AND FOOD SAFETY



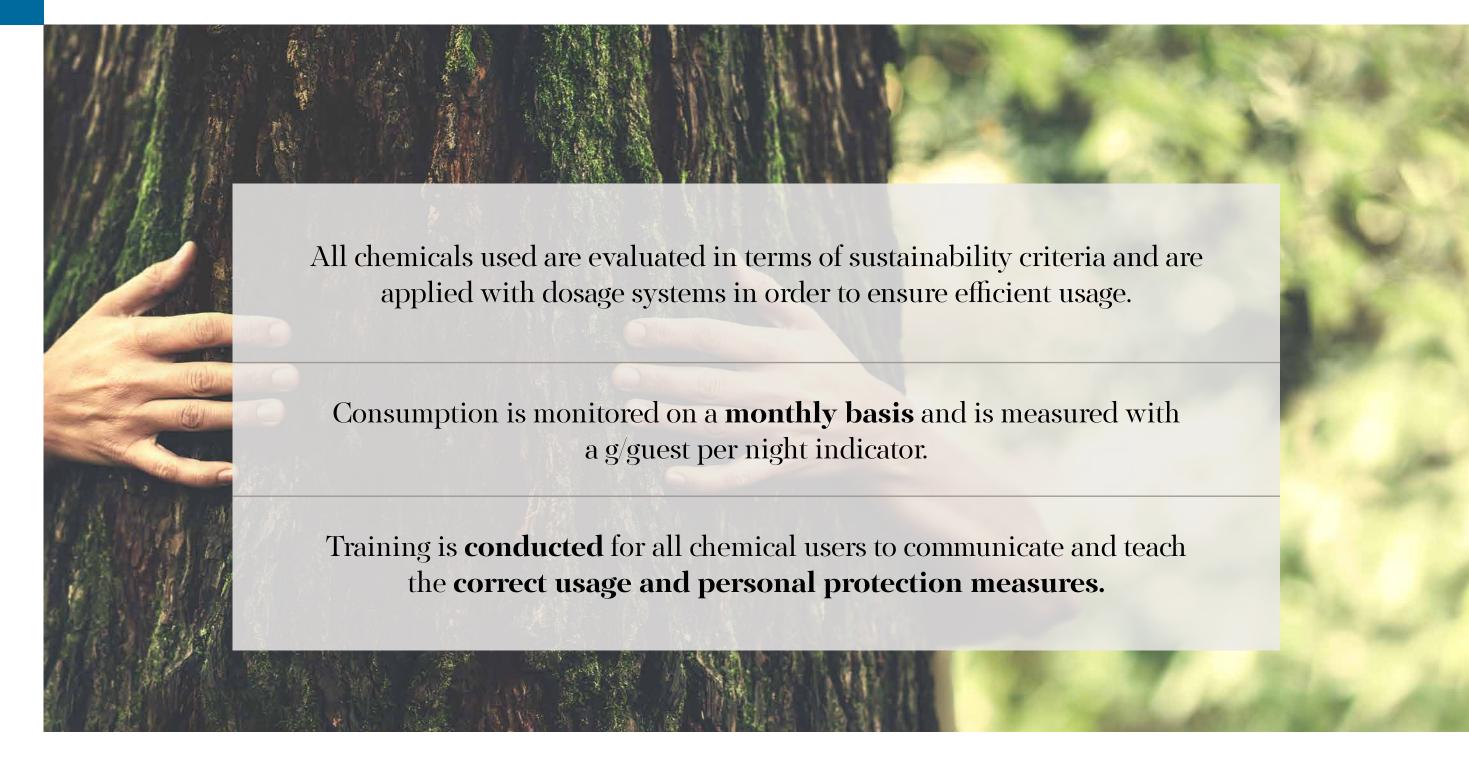
Ikos Resorts continues to work closely with suppliers to ensure improved health & safety and sustainability performance. This includes food safety certification, packaging and waste related issues. As food safety is our priority all Ikos Resorts are ISO 22000 certified. External and internal audits are conducted on a regular basis in order to ensure the continuing improvement of our robust food safety standards.

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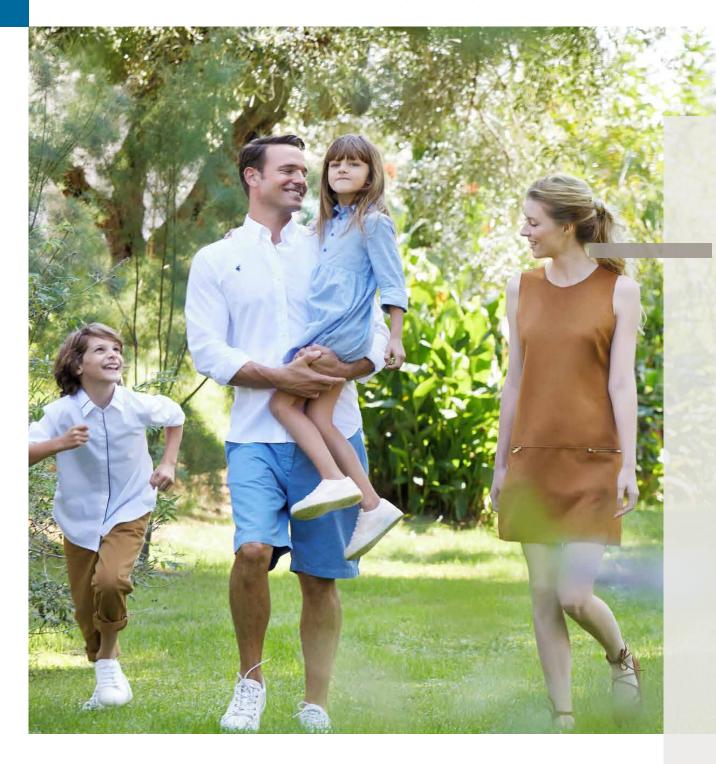
on average of products are **Greek** in all Ikos Resorts.

63% in Ikos Dassia

Suppliers are evaluated in terms of HACCP and sustainability standards, ensuring high level of food quality and safety.



# IKOS GREEN GUEST INVOLVEMENT



Eco-learning programmes for guests, available to children at the Mini and Teens Club, give younger guests the opportunity to learn about the local biodiversity, including dolphins, sea birds and olive trees, as well as local customs and products. Guests can also visit the onsite herb gardens and local wineries, or go hiking, biking and birdwatching.

# IKOS GREEN FOCUS ON HUMAN CAPITAL



Sustainability training is provided to all employees during induction.

78%

of employees are Greek

33%

of employment in Corfu is local

43%

of employment in Halkidiki is local

11.145

Training hours were conducted in 2019

The company supports local employment whenever possible.

#### IKOS GREEN

# BEYOND THE HOTEL GROUNDS

In 2019, the group supported a wide range of organisations and charities.





















### ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTED IN 2019

#### SCHOOLS, CAMPS AND ORPHANAGES

- Elementary School of Fourka-Kassandra
- 2nd Elementary School of Moudania
- Elementary School of Fokies
- Stamatios Desillas Corfu camp for special needs children
- Papafio Orphanage
- Melissa Ophanage
- Ellinika Horia SOS for orphaned children in Filiro
- Smile of the Child in Thessaloniki, Corfu, Kos and Moudania

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANISATIONS AND GROUPS

- Hellenic Ornithological Society
- iSea Marine Conservation Organisation
- Afidnes Firefighters Volunteer Association

#### ORGANISATIONS AND CHARITIES WITH A FOCUS ON HEALTH

- Ippokration Hospital in Kos
- Aelia breast cancer charity
- Nea Moudania Hospital (Kentro Hygeias)
- Sani/Ikos Group Employee Blood Bank

### ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTED IN 2019

#### CHARITIES WITH A FOCUS ON REFUGEES

- Bodossaki Foundation
- Arsis charity in Oraiokastro and Tagarades, Northern Greece
- Hellenic Rescue Team, Kos

# ORGANISATIONS WITH A FOCUS ON BOLSTERING THE LOCAL ECONOMY

- Brain Regain Initiative
- Bodossaki Foundation Thought for Food Project

# FOOD BANKS SUPPORTED DURING CHRISTMAS AND EASTER 2019

- Friends of the Poor, Polygyros
- Christian Mission Thessaloniki
- Food banks organized by churches in: Nea Moudania, Kriopigi, Kos, Corfu

### ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTED IN 2019

#### CHARITIES WITH A CULTURAL AIM

- Diazoma charity aiming to restore, protect and promote ancient Greek theaters
- Albert Cohen Corfu Association
- Contribution to the replanting of two palm trees in the historic Kerasia Corfu area lost to fire through the Corfu Municipality

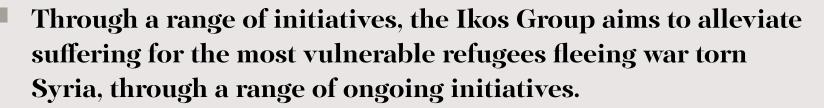
#### STRAY ANIMAL CHARITIES

- Halkidiki Animal Rescue, Halkidiki
- Kivotos stray animal charity, Corfu
- Animal Rescue, Kos

#### CONTRIBUTION TO SPORTS CHARITIES AND EVENTS

- Heracles Athletic Organisation, Fokies
- Kassandra Football Organisation
- 3rd Polygyros RUN Halkidiki
- Ganon Baker Basketball Camp
- Polygyros Dance Groups
- Esperos Basketball Team, Kos
- Nikagoros Athletic Team, Kos

#### SUPPORTING REFUGEES IN GREECE



- A modern off-road pick-up vehicle was donated to the Hellenic Rescue Team in order to support their social work in the Northern Dodecanese area. The Hellenic Rescue Team is at the forefront of assisting the Coast Guard in search and rescue operations and aids refugees putting their life at risk by crossing from the Turkish coast to the eastern Aegean Greek islands. The pick-up vehicle is equipped for off-roading in the sand, snow or deep mud, capable of loading up to 1100 kg and towing up to 3500 kg in order to provide immediate and substantial assistance in light of emergency situations.
- In cooperation with the Bodossaki Foundation and Arsis charity in 2019, the company completed the renovation of a professional kitchen for Syrian refugee children in an Oreokastro housing facility in Thessaloniki. This enabled the charity to save funds from discontinuing outsourced catering and being able to prepare foods on site for resident children.
- During the summer of 2019, one of the group's hotels hosted refugee children from the Arsis housing facility in Tagarades for a special day of fun activities.





### SUPPORTING HEALTH INITIATIVES FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE

# In 2019, the group focused on offering donations to organisations for much needed equipment in the field of health.

- The company group donated state-of-the-art equipment to the **Hippocrates Kos General Hospital** in order to make a significant contribution to the better
  functioning of its surgery department. The "Surgical Diathermy Machine" donated
  assists with all general surgery, as well as specialist fields, such as orthopedics,
  ENT and laparoscopic surgery.
- An electric, adjustable hospital examination bed was donated to the **Nea Mouda**nia Hospital (Kentro Hygeias).
- Over **6.000 children** continued to benefit from the donation of emergency care equipment to the **Hospital of Polygyros**, Halkidiki.

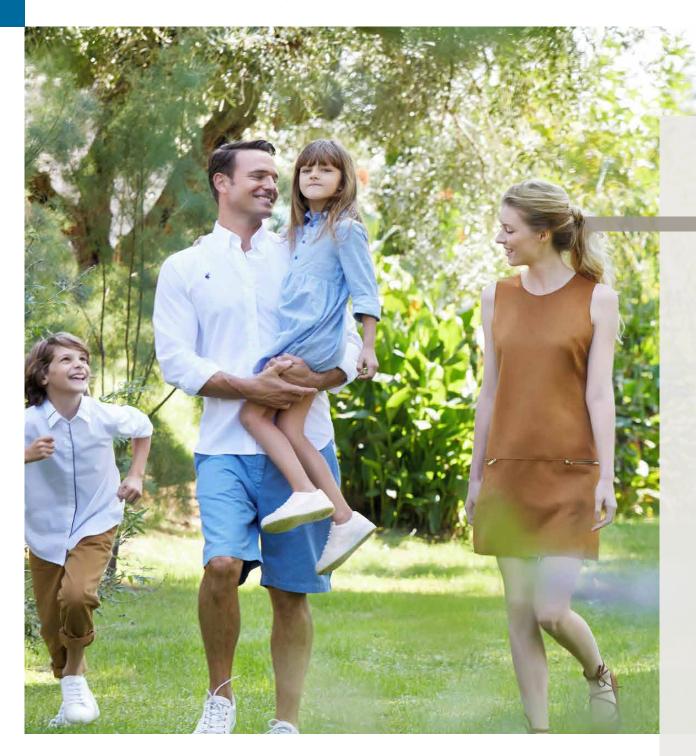
### SUPPORTING LOCAL PRODUCERS

In partnership with the American Farm School and CERTH, the Bodossaki Foundation has set up Thought for Food, a thematic fund to support individual farmers, small businesses and cooperatives, active in the production of the five flagship Greek agricultural product categories: olives and olive products, honey, animal products, fruits and vegetables and aromatic plants.

The Group is a **key partner** in this initiative, providing **scholarships** to farmers, with the aim to support four **local producers** in Halkidiki, equipping them to grow and reach larger markets.

Specific areas this project focuses on include bee keeping, olive products, tsipouro, and cheese production.





#### IKOS RESORTS ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Ikos Resorts is committed to managing its business in a sustainable way, respecting the environment and local community, whilst delivering an Infinite Lifestyle holiday experience, with new levels of elegance, quality and service in a redefined all-inclusive model.

From minimising the environmental footprint of its hotel operations, to showcasing local biodiversity and products, the company consistently strives to support sustainability and the local community through the initiatives of the Ikos Green programme.

#### IKOS RESORTS ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

The Ikos Resorts management team and subsequently all Ikos Resorts employees are committed to meeting and exceeding all legal and environmental requirements in its properties, and to continuously improving the environmental performance of its hotels in the following areas:

- Reduction of energy and resource use;
- Increase of renewable energy use;
- Reduction of water use;
- Reduction of waste;
- Reduction in the use of chemicals:
- Sustainable supply chain management;
- Protection and enhancement of local biodiversity;
- Environmental awareness amongst employees, guests, as well as the local community and suppliers.

The management team regularly reviews its environmental policy and targets, annually reassessing and setting new goals, as well as ensuring their effective communication.

The Environmental Policy is communicated to all employees, contractors and visitors of Ikos Resorts and is made available to all interested parties upon request. Ikos Resorts is committed to providing Ikos Green environmental training to all its employees.



#### **IKOS RESORTS COMMUNITY POLICY**

Ikos Resorts is committed to ensuring its operations have positive impact on the local community, its people and its economy. In order to accomplish this goal, the company heavily invests in its own human capital and strives to support the local community and businesses as much as possible. The company's Employee and Community Policy includes a key set of core values.

#### IKOS RESORTS COMMUNITY POLICY

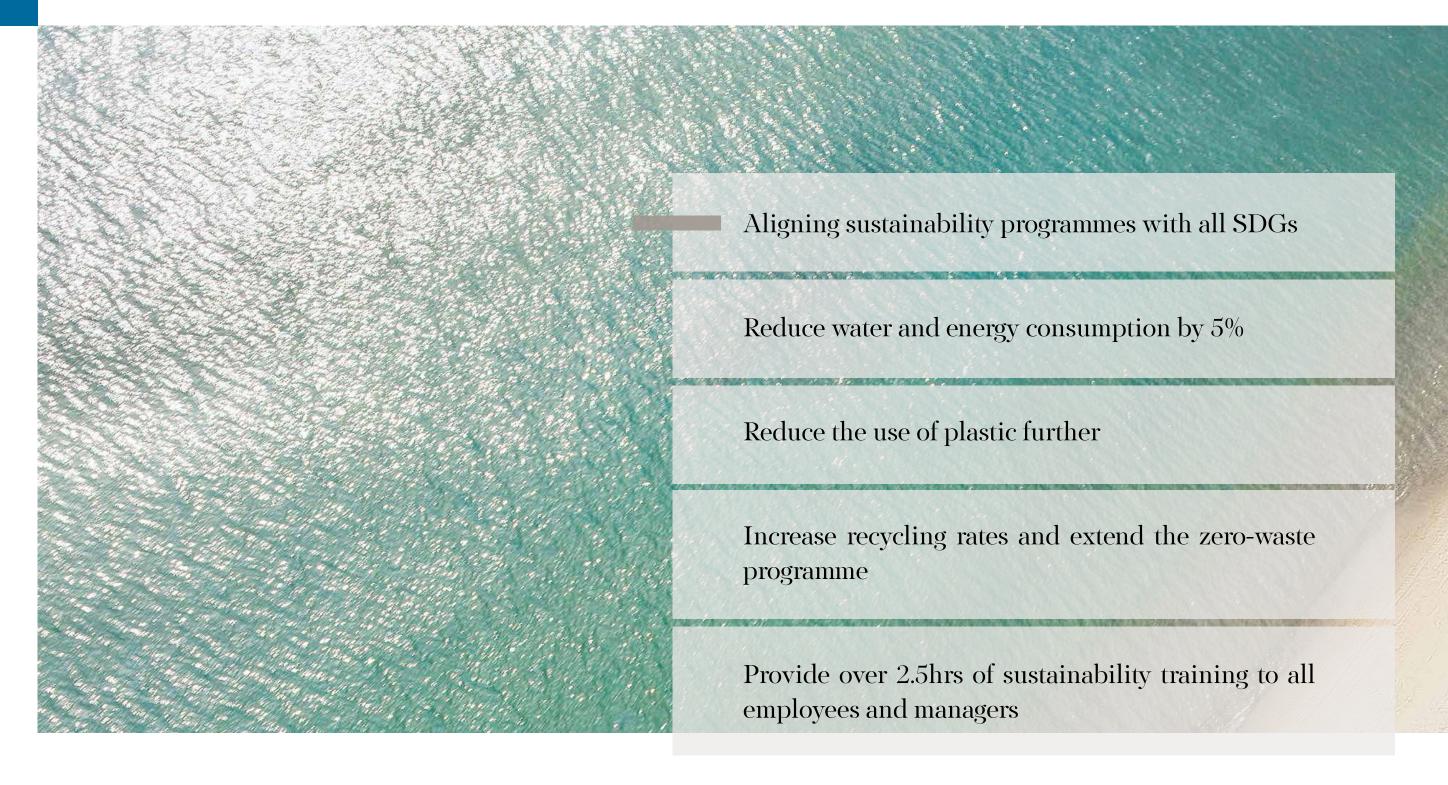
- To comply with all applicable employee laws and regulations in the country and to create a **safe** and **healthy** environment for its staff;
- To value and treat staff **fairly** and with **respect**, ensuring that no one is discriminated against, regardless of age, sex, gender, ethnicity, religion, culture or disability;
- To focus on **staff development** and provide **training** to support employees in their respective roles from the moment of their induction and throughout their career at Ikos Resorts;
- To consistently train staff on the Ikos Resorts **sustainability commitments**, as well as on **health** and **safety** issues, offering a clear understanding of the importance of these in delivering the company's objective and targets;
- To **respect** and **promote** the **rights** of children, according to the applicable legislation and guidelines prescribed by charity "The Smile of the Child"; to maintain a close relationship with the local community, ensuring that any concerns about the company's business operation are addressed collaboratively;

#### IKOS RESORTS COMMUNITY POLICY

- To cooperate with the **local communities** in which it operates and draw from local talent without compromising recruitment and performance standards.
- To purchase, wherever possible, food and beverage products from **local** and **domestic businesses**;
- To selectively partner with **local organisations** and **charities** in order to show-case and raise awareness of local customs and produce, as well as to contributing to **local environmental conservation** and **animal welfare**;
- To invite guests to explore the unique biodiversity of each property, local products and customs, and to discover what makes each Ikos Resorts location so extraordinary.

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### IKOS GREEN TARGETS 2020



### ABOUT THE REPORT

- Ikos Green is supported by a set of sustainability policies and actions, communicated to employees and business partners alike
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