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SUSTAINABILITY REPORT





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EPV Energy in brief

EPV has more than 70 years of experience in responsible energy generation. We invest in emission-free and reliable energy generation with determination and purpose. At EPV Energy, we have greatly improved our energy generation portfolio in recent years, resulting in significant reductions in carbon dioxide emissions.

EPV Energy Ltd (EPV) is a Finnish energy company that generates and acquires both electricity and heat and supplies them for its shareholders, i.e. Finnish energy companies, at a production cost price. This is known as the Mankala principle. It enables shareholders to participate in extensive energy projects that have low production costs.

According to our strategy, EPV's energy production will become emission-free by 2030. In 2023, the share of emission-free energy sources in EPV's electricity production was 94.3 per cent.

EPV's strategy is called New Electricity Revolution®. At the centre of this strategy is zero-emission electricity, whose production, storage and use are controlled with new technologies. The current state of our planet requires many great changes, including the way energy is produced, and the pace of driving down emissions must be accelerated. As a socially responsible company, EPV will continue to speed up these measures.

EPV's strategy models the modernisation of the entire society's energy generation system. In the

future, new electricity will be generated using zero-emission energy sources, such as solar, wind, hydro and nuclear power – the sources at the heart of our strategy. In addition, we will utilise emission-free raw material flows, such as forest energy, circular economy products and industrial producer gases. With new electricity, we are also helping other operators to become emission-free, thereby mitigating climate change.

As more and more electricity is generated by renewable wind and solar power, the need for solutions for balancing power, flexibility and energy storage is growing significantly. Different energy storage solutions support and bring flexibility to the electricity system. EPV continues to work tirelessly to solve the problem of clean power generation and the flexibility and storage solutions needed to support it, and plans to continue to invest heavily in such projects in the future.

EPV's strategy emphasises our desire to be at the forefront of progress and to lead the way in the energy transition. The company also intends to continue following the development of essential

new technologies as a basis for new projects. In the last few years, we have invested significantly in new electricity and will continue to do so.

Our main task is to ensure our capacity for responsible energy generation and to maintain a competitive production cost price far into the future. The energy sector is Finland's most capital-intensive business sector. Power plants and wind farms tie up a large amount of capital over the course of decades. We plan our investments with great care.

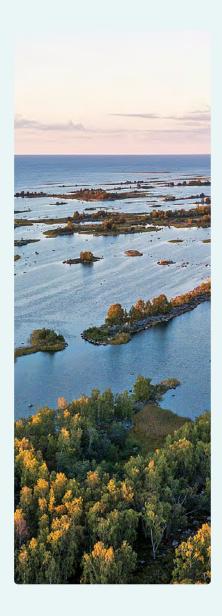
In 2023, the Group's total power procurement was 4,8 terawatt-hours. This corresponds to over 5% of the total electricity consumed in Finland. Last year, a larger proportion of energy than ever was generated emission-free.

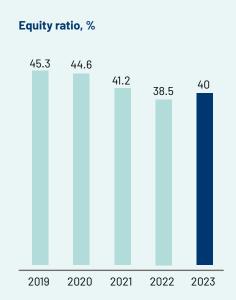
The EPV Energy Group has subsidiaries and affiliated companies in whose governance and supervision EPV actively participates. Nevertheless, the Group's subsidiaries and affiliated companies have their own administrative bodies. The Group is divided into four business areas.

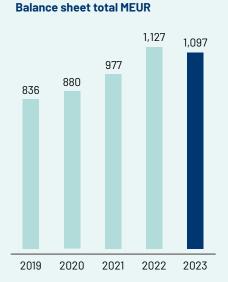


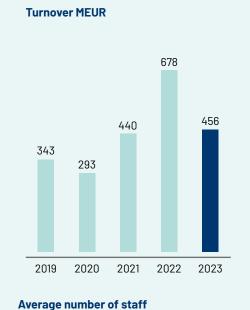


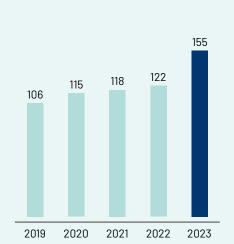
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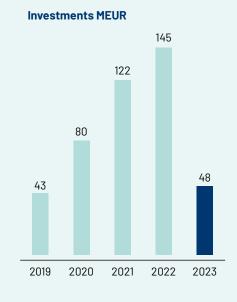




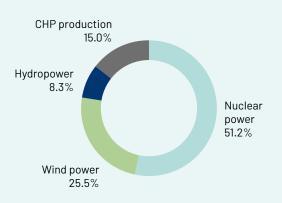














CEO's statement

2023 started in the midst of the energy crisis. Luckily we survived the worst of it, and EPV had a role to play in that. The commissioning of Olkiluoto 3 (OL3), the Närpiö wind farm and the new energy storage solutions in Vaasa were important highlights on our journey towards energy self-sufficiency and zero emissions.

Investments to overcome the acute energy crisis

EPV and the energy sector as a whole entered a new normal during 2023 as the energy crisis was largely resolved. Although the effects of stopping electricity imports from Russia are still evident in the market, our sector has been able to meet Finland's energy needs, thanks to substantial investments. At EPV, we have been heavily involved in increasing energy self-sufficiency.

The Närpes wind farm was put into commercial operation in February and Olkiluoto 3 shortly afterwards in May. This increased our company's zero-emission electricity production to 4 terawatt-hours per year. At the same time, OL3 became EPV's largest single energy generation resource.





In addition, the two new electric boilers and the extension of the thermal energy storage facility in Vaskiluoto, Vaasa were put into operation in the autumn. Thanks to these investments and the construction of an electric boiler and district heating battery in Seinäjoki in 2022, we were able to significantly reduce the amount of heat produced by combustion in Vaasa and Seinäjoki.



Investing in flexibility means investing more heavily in energy storage

However, despite reduced use, the power plants will continue to be maintained to ensure security of supply. At the end of 2022, we acquired the heat production in the Seinäjoki region from Seinäjoen Energia and the entire business of Vaskiluodon Voima, which has enabled us to build close cooperation with Vaasan Sähkö and Seinäjoen Energia during the year.

OL3, the Närpiö wind park and our new heat storage solutions play an important role in Finland's energy system. They help to secure electricity supply, promote energy self-sufficiency and increase flexibility. At the same time, they are moving our society towards zero emissions and provide excellent support for EPV's New Electricity Revolution strategy. Our company aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030, and in 2023 our own carbon dioxide emissions from production were lower than ever before - less than 50 grams per kilowatt-hour.

Investment decision for solar power

An important investment decision was made at the end of the year which will further increase our zero-emission production portfolio: we are going to build EPV's first industrial-scale solar power plant in Heinineva, Lapua. We have been studying solar energy generation at our measuring station in Alayus since 2018 and we are excited to get our first solar project off the ground.

The Lapua solar power plant will be operational by the end of 2025. When completed, the new plant will produce more than 70 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of electricity per year. In short, we are steadily moving towards emission-free electricity generation.

Looking towards more flexibility

Our strategy is that the most flexible player is also the star of the pitch. That is why EPV has a clear objective for 2024: now that we have completed several major projects in energy generation, we want to pay particular attention to increasing flexibility in our whole energy system.

In practical terms, investing in flexibility means investing more heavily in energy storage. Electricity is increasingly generated by wind and solar power, and the situation in the energy market varies according to the weather. As a result, electricity prices continued to fluctuate heavily in 2023. From a risk management perspective, we need more ways to decouple the generation and use of electricity, separating the time that electricity is generated from the time that it is consumed.

In addition to investing in machinery and equipment, increasing flexibility also requires investments in our know-how. Consequently our experts keep up-to-date on developments in battery technology and various hydrogen storage solutions, among other things.

The importance of AI is also growing in the energy sector

Another important goal for us in 2024 is to strengthen our understanding of artificial intelligence and the opportunities it brings to the energy sector. In the future, Al will play a central role in everything we do, and we want to be the leading energy supplier utilising AI in Finland.

Although we are already using various algorithms, for example, for forecasting of different kinds in electricity transmission and trading, Al has the potential for much wider use. Our main goal is to apply AI to manage and utilise large data sets more efficiently across the Group.

The reform of our financial structure is underway

In 2022, we launched a financing strategy to broaden EPV's capital base in order to enable large investments and operate cost-effectively while taking risks into account. In 2023, equipment prices, interest rates and the cost of money increased further, which had a negative impact on the profitability of our planned investments. We had to postpone some investment decisions and cancel the Pyhäsalmi pumped-storage hydro plant project, which was a tough decision for our company.

In 2023, we drove the action plan of measures for our financing strategy forward as planned. At the beginning of 2024, EPV will enter the commercial paper market and start reporting under IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards). At the same time, we will also start reporting on sustainability

issues as required by the EU Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the EU taxonomy.

Through these measures, we aim to enter the bond market in 2025 and thereby ensure market-based and continuous financing for the Group.

A big thank you to everyone in our team

I want to thank everyone at EPV and our partners for 2023. Thanks to your expertise, we were able to contribute to tackling the energy crisis and ensuring the availability of electricity and heat. Together, we brought some major projects to the finish line and make good progress with others, all of them important for Finland's emission-free energy system and self-sufficiency.

This year, for the second year in a row, we had zero accidents at work. We have worked very hard to reach this figure - that too is thanks to all the people at EPV. Together with our partners, we aim to achieve zero accidents at work also among our subcontractors.

> Rami Vuola CEO EPV Energy Ltd



Our history - more than 70 years of responsible energy generation

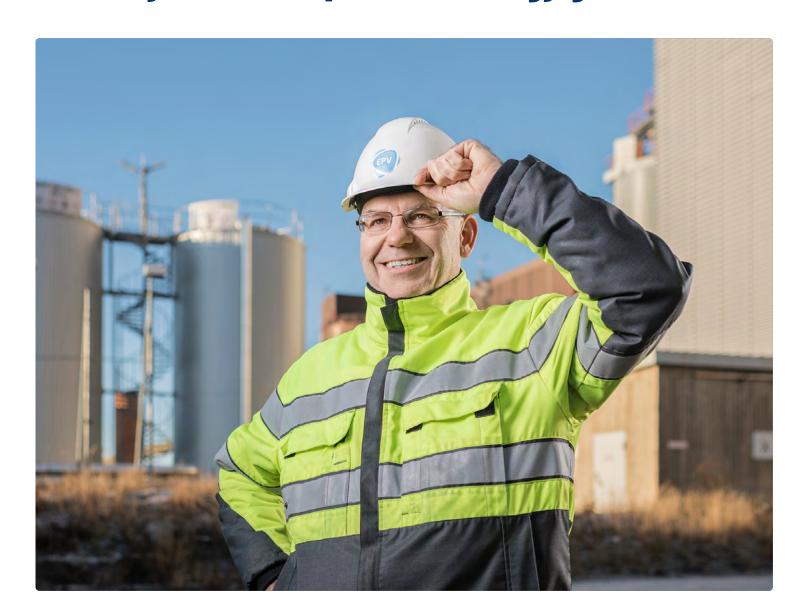
Founded in 1952, EPV Energy's business concept is still as strong as ever: we procure competitive electricity for our owners, i.e. Finnish energy companies. We focus on sustainability and zero emissions in our energy production.

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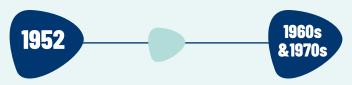
EPV Energy has its roots in Ostrobothnia. The company was created when demand for electricity began to rise and concerns about the region's future were raised. Several small power stations decided to merge and form their own joint energy company.

Since then, EPV Energy has expanded throughout Finland and also owns generation shares abroad. In recent years, the Group has made a determined effort to achieve emission-free energy generation. Early 2000s, the company recognised that wind power is one of the most effective ways to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

In addition to environmental responsibility, EPV Energy is known for its innovativeness and broad-mindedness. We are a forerunner in low-emission and renewable energy.



Milestones along the way



Several municipal electricity companies join forces to establish Etelä-Pohjanmaan Voima (EPV) in 1952. EPV Energy has its roots in Ostrobothnia. The company was created when demand for electricity began to rise and concerns about the region's future were raised. Several small power stations decided to merge and form their own joint energy company.



Vaskiluodon Voima shifts from oil to coal as a result of the oil crisis.

The electricity market in Finland is opened to competition. At the same time, EPV's ownership base begins to expand and become nationwide.

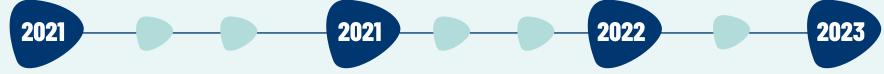
EPV Alueverkko Oy was founded. Today, the company is one of the foremost electricity distributors in Finland. An investment decision is made on the Olkiluoto 3 nuclear power plant.

EPV launches its wind power programme as a Finnish pioneer.



EPV's first and Finland's most energyefficient wind power station is completed in Röyttä, Tornio. Together with two other energy companies, EPV buys a significant share in Swedish hydropower. The transaction consists of 7 hydropower plants. The first biofuel gasification plant in the world is put into operation at the Vaskiluodon Voima power plant.

Giving up last coal-fired condensing plant according to our roadmap towards emission-free energy. EPV builds five new wind power farms in Vaasa, Kristinestad, Ilmajoki, Teuva and Närpiö. EPV's thermal energy storage facility is commissioned in Vaasa.



EPV's first electric boiler is commissioned in Vaasa. From 2022 to 2023, 3 new electric boilers were commissioned in Seinäjoki and Vaasa and a fourth will be completed in 2024 in Tornio. EPV Energy signed a letter of intent with three other operators to build together a Power-to-X-to-Power system in Vaasa.

EPV makes an investment decision on the construction of its first electric battery at the Teuva wind farm. EPV makes an investment decision on the construction of its first solar farm in Lapua.

Operating environment

There is an increasing need for flexibility in the energy system and for risk management in energy markets.

The changes in the energy sector continued in 2023. The geopolitical situation and the ensuing energy crisis have affected EPV's operating environment in many respects. As a result of the war of aggression launched by Russia, Europe is trying to rid itself of its dependence on Russian energy as guickly as possible. Concerns about the sufficiency of energy, both fuels and electricity, was highlighted. The situation was particularly challenging for Finland in the winter of 2022-23, as virtually all major energy imports from Russia ceased. This situation has highlighted the importance not only of energy self-sufficiency, but also of emission-free energy solutions.

Finland and Finnish energy producers managed to react quickly. We were not completely out of luck in this rapid shift towards greater self-sufficiency, as Olkiluoto 3 became ready to join the market at just the right time. Significantly more wind power plants have been built in Finland in recent years, which is now bearing fruit. At the same time, weather-dependent renewable electricity generation is adding its own challenges to the equation. The growth of energy sources with variable output requires a parallel increase in balancing power to address the imbalance between production and consumption. The main challenges for the energy market in the future will be having sufficient flexibility in electric power and the energy system, and longer-term energy storage in a fossil-free world.

The Nordic electricity market

Finland has been part of the open Nordic wholesale electricity market since the 1990s. Trading takes place on the Nord Pool power exchange where electricity producers sell electricity they have generated and large end-users buy electricity. The power exchange operates on the same principle as other commodity exchanges, meaning that the price of the traded commodity is purely determined by supply and demand. The Nordic and European electricity market is based on the energy-only market model, which has been under assessment by the European Commission as electricity prices have risen. Many believe that in the energy crisis, the current market model has led to fluctuations in electricity prices that are too high for society to absorb.

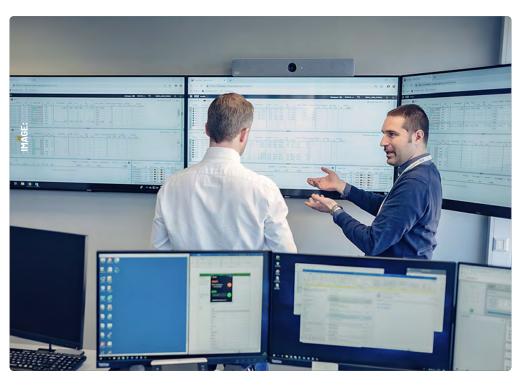
According to preliminary statistics, the consumption of electricity in the Nordic countries in 2023 was 0.4 per cent lower than in the previous year, at 380 (381) TWh. In 2023, Finnish electricity consumption

was 79.8 (81.6) TWh, which means a decrease of approximately 2.3 per cent compared to 2022. The industrial share of the consumed electricity was 42 per cent and other consumption 58 per cent. Last year, industrial consumption of electricity decreased by 5.9 per cent, while consumption in other sectors increased by 0.5 per cent. The losses stood for approximately 4 per cent of the overall electricity consumption.

In 2023, 2.2 per cent of power procurement was covered by imports and 97.8 per cent by domestic generation. Nuclear power covered approximately 41.0 per cent of the consumed electricity, combined generation of heat and power 16.8, hydropower 18.8 and other separate production 2.2 per cent. Wind power, which continues to grow rapidly, accounted for 18.1 per cent and solar power for 0.8 per cent.

The snow and water reserves, i.e. the hydrological balance, of the Nordic countries remained below the average almost throughout 2023. At the beginning of the year, the reserves were 13 TWh below the average level and at the end of the year 11 TWh below the average level. By the turn of the year, Nordic water reserves were approximately 74 TWh in total.

In 2023, CO2 emissions from Finnish energy generation constituted 2.5 million tonnes, which is 38 per cent lower than the previous year. The longterm downward trend in carbon dioxide emissions continued after a break of a couple of years. The long-term investments made by the sector's companies are reflected in the evolution of emissions. Up to 94 per cent of the electricity generated in



Finland last year was free from CO2 emissions. The share of renewable energy sources was 52 per cent of the total electricity generated.

European Green Deal

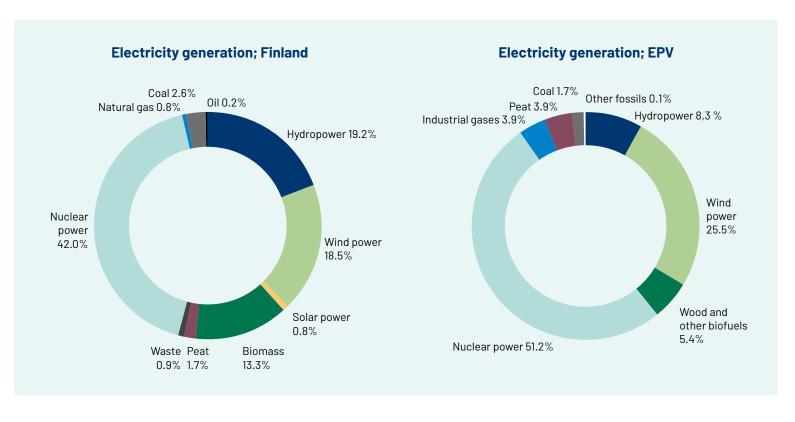
Europe's future depends on a healthy planet. EU countries are committed to achieving climate neutrality by 2050, delivering on the commitments under the Paris Agreement. The European Green Deal is the EU's strategy for reaching the 2050 goal. As part of the European Green Deal, the Commission has also published a proposal for the European Climate Pact, which is an initiative that invites people, communities and organisations to participate in climate action and build a greener Europe.

As in the previous year, the EU emissions allowance price fluctuated sharply between EUR 67 and EUR 100 per tonne during 2023. The average market price was around EUR 85 per tonne for most of the year and dropped to approximately EUR 80 per tonne by the end of the year. Emissions trading has proven to be an effective way to reduce emissions and it contributes to limiting the use of fossil fuels in high market price situations.

Stakeholders increasingly expect companies to identify their negative impacts and be transparent in communicating about them. In particular, EU legislation requires increasingly comprehensive reporting of non-financial information.

Climate change and biodiversity

Tightening targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions are steering societies towards low-emission forms of energy. Governments are encouraging companies to invest in renewable production and cut their use of fossil fuels. Energy generation



plays an important role in the fight against climate change. Energy production is the largest source of emissions in Finland. In 2022, it accounted for 72% of all emissions. More attention should also be paid to biodiversity loss, which is likewise strongly influenced by climate change. EU member states are committed to restoring nature and its biodiversity.

Towards a new energy system

As society becomes more and more dependent on electricity, the need to guarantee security of supply and a stable price is becoming ever more important. The need for security will be reflected in the production options and in the choice of storage and transmission methods. As society moves towards zero-emission production, it is evident that it is changing the whole energy system, especially electricity production. With more weather-dependent forms of electricity production, the whole system becomes more difficult to manage and new technological solutions are needed. The electricity market is adapting to the new situation, but much work remains to be done. In the electricity market, large price fluctuations continued in 2023. This is a new normal in the energy market, to which operators will have to adapt and create new systems and ways of operating in order to succeed.



Europe's future depends on a healthy planet. EU countries are committed to achieving climate neutrality by 2050, delivering on the commitments under the Paris Agreement.



Megatrends

EPV closely monitors worldwide megatrends, as they often have an effect on the energy sector. When we recognise the direction in which society is developing, we can effectively anticipate future challenges and opportunities. As experts in the field, we participate actively in the debate on a sustainable and long-term energy policy.

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Changes in the energy sector

The energy sector is at a turning point, and the domestic and global operating environments are also constantly evolving. However, investment decisions in the sector are always made for the long term. That is why we are taking a long-term approach and also promote long-term energy policy in social solutions.

Need for balancing power and security of supply

The growth of energy sources with variable output, such as wind power, requires a parallel increase in balancing power to address the acute imbalance between production and consumption. As society becomes more and more dependent on electricity, the need to guarantee security of supply and a stable price is becoming ever more important. The need for security plays a key role in the choice of production, storage and transmission methods.

Geopolitics

Recent geopolitical developments in Europe have led to uncertainty in international energy trade. The need for local solutions is growing.



Main grid and transmission connections

The decentralisation of electricity generation and the electrification of society, including heat production, are putting pressure on the electricity grid, as is the rapid increase in the production of renewable energy. Society needs numerous new transmission connections.

Climate change

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Biodiversity and biodiversity loss

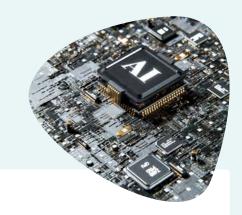
Biodiversity is the basis of all life. It is critical for the protection of people, the environment and the climate. Biodiversity is declining at an alarming rate. EU member states are committed to restoring nature and its biodiversity.

Sustainability

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The energy policy context

The world map of energy resources is taking on a new shape as lithium, copper and nickel increasingly determine the future. Changes in environmental policies and tackling climate change will remain key issues as countries work to meet their emission targets and adapt to the impacts of climate change.



Digitalisation and Al

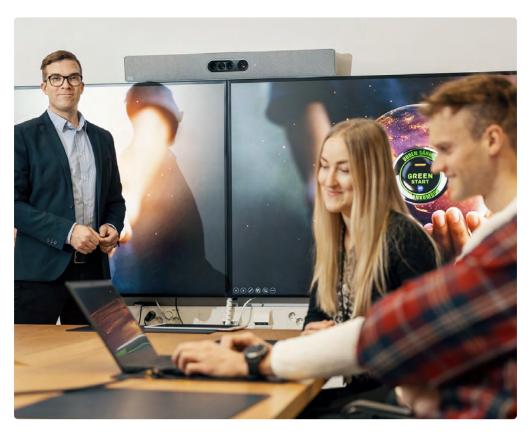
Technology is evolving rapidly and changing production methods and operating models. Through digitalisation, we are also creating efficiency in the energy supply process. Artificial intelligence is revolutionising the way things are done. All sectors will need to learn to apply Al. At the same time, societies' increasing use of technology makes them more vulnerable. That is why cybersecurity must be a priority.

Strategy and objectives: New Electricity Revolution

New electricity is the key enabler on the road to a new zero-emission world. This idea is highlighted in EPV's New Electricity Revolution strategy. By 2030, all the energy we produce will be generated completely emission-free. This is how we build a sustainable future.

The current state of our planet requires great changes and the acceleration of driving down emissions. Energy generation plays an important role in the fight against climate change. As a socially responsible company, EPV has stepped up these efforts. That is why we have one billion euros worth of investments in new electricity on our drawing board. Along the way, we will also relentlessly develop the more traditional forms of energy production to keep reducing their emissions.

This strategy models the modernisation of the entire society's energy generation system. In the future, new electricity will be solely generated using the zero-emission energy sources of solar, wind, hydro and nuclear power, which are key to our strategy. In addition, we will utilise emission-free raw material flows, such as forest energy, circular economy products and industrial producer gases. By focusing on these, we are not only making our own operations emission-free, but also helping society to meet its emissions reduction targets.



New solutions and business models

In the future, we will also apply business models that are different from those currently used. We will form alliances and work in collaboration with various partners. We will develop solutions based on new electricity in areas such as heat production



We have a hundreds of millions of euros worth of investments in new electricity on our drawing board and industrial processes. Our goal is to use this new electricity production to connect the energy needs of different industries.

Towards a zero-emission world as one team

We make sure that every member of our team has the opportunity to be involved in building a zero-emission world. The success of our goal is determined by how well our professionals succeed in the face of growing challenges. What is required now is open-minded thinking, new learning, a culture of experimentation without fear of failure, and bold action. This will create an enthusiastic EPV team where every employee can develop, keep learning new things and be proud of what we achieve together.

Secure returns on investments

Together with our shareholders, we will be a competitive player, bigger than our size would indicate, in the field of renewable energy. Our owners will continue to receive increasing returns on their investments. They can be confident that we are agile, efficient, reliable and service-minded. We will leverage diverse and innovative solutions as well as smart technologies to balance supply and demand. We are open-mindedly involved in solutions that, for the present, are just a figment of some dreamer's imagination.



Corporate sustainability

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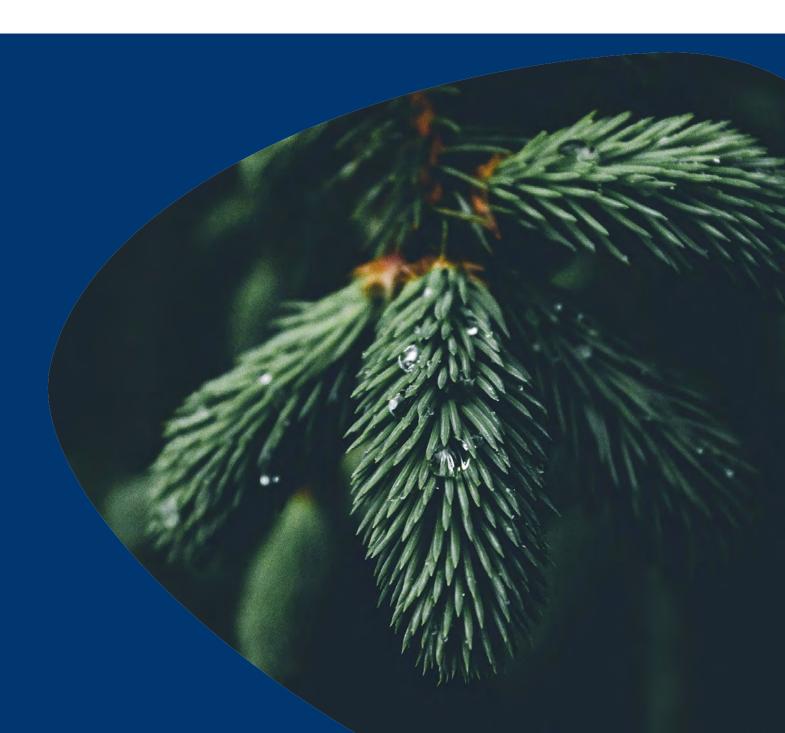
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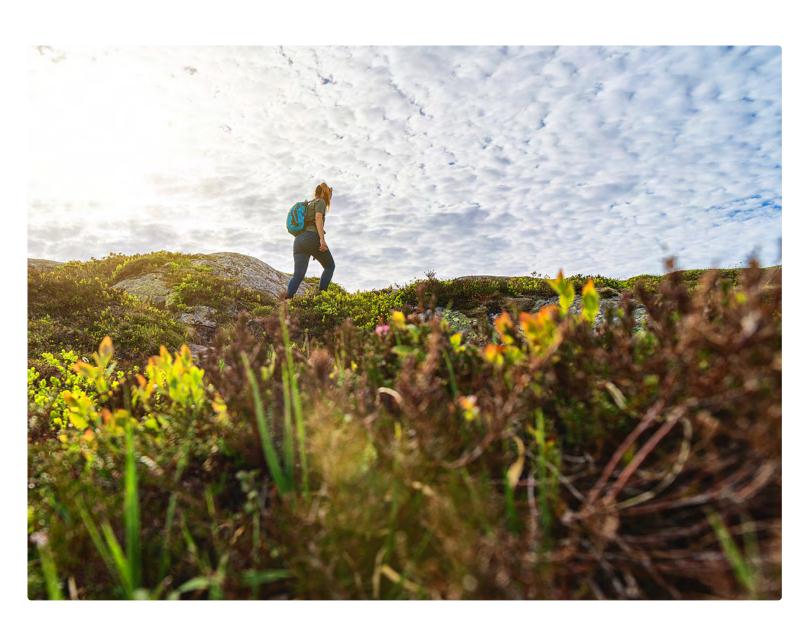
Introduction

At the core of EPV Energy's business is a vision and strategy for clean energy called the New Electricity Revolution.

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This report covers the EPV Energy Group to the same extent as the financial statements. The data presented in the report are based on EPV's internal data and calculations.

In the future, new electricity will be solely generated using zeroemission energy sources





EPV Energy's corporate sustainability achievements in 2023

Sustainability is the basis of EPV Energy's (EPV) operations, and this is clearly evident in the company's activities, way of thinking and management. Together with its personnel and partners, EPV is creating a cleaner world. We focus on emission-free and reliable energy generation with determination and purpose.



Zero-emission energy – CO2-free

94% of EPV's energy generation was emission-free in 2023.



No accidents

In 2023, there were no accidents involving EPV's own staff.

Happy employees

eNPS 60 I would recommend EPV Group as an employer. The employee survey shows results that are, on average, higher than in other energy sector organisations.



Wind power

The sixth wind farm for commercial operation and preliminary preparations for the seventh have started. In 2023, 25.5 % of our energy generation came from wind power.



Zero-emission nuclear power

Olkiluoto 3 nuclear power plant for commercial operation. In 2023, 51% of our electricity generation came from emission-free nuclear power.



Security of energy supply

The security of energy supply remained excellent.

Towards zero-emission heat production

first solar park in Lapua.

A significant proportion of the heat EPV produced in 2023 was produced emission-free using electric boilers.



Sustainability management

Responsible and ethical business practices and procurement practices form the basis of EPV Energy's business activities.

EPV's operations are guided by the Code of Conduct approved by the Board of Directors. It defines the Group's principles of responsible business conduct. This Code of Conduct guides the company's operational activities to ensure that its strategic goals and objectives are achieved in the way defined in its mission statement. Our Code of Conduct sets out how all employees and members of the management should act, without exception. We also require our suppliers and other partners to comply with these principles.

Sustainability is strongly embedded in EPV's reward system

Sustainability is also strongly linked to EPV's reward system and part of its business metrics. Indicators that influence rewards include concrete targets for achieving carbon neutrality, safety at work, job satisfaction, financial responsibility, energy supply security, biodiversity and cybersecurity, etc.



Materiality analysis of sustainability

In 2022, EPV launched a sustainability reporting development project, including an updated materiality matrix. To do this thoroughly, we carried out a materiality assessment together with an external partner. We interviewed representatives of our various key stakeholders and our experts internally. In addition, we conducted a comprehensive materiality analysis, which involved assessing our operating environment, sustainability frameworks, industry trends, and regulations.

The sustainability themes compiled from this analysis and stakeholder interviews were assessed for their impact on stakeholders, the environment and people. The assessment is based on the intensity, magnitude, and repairability of the impact. In other words, how significant the impact is, or how large an area or number of people are affected, and how easy, time-consuming or resource-intensive it is to repair the damage. These impacts have been assessed at three different stages of the value chain: the supply chain, EPV's own operations, and at the customer or partner end. We revisited the analysis in 2023 and assessed any changes needed.

To develop its responsible activities, EPV had several sustainability-related projects in 2023. These include determining what EU taxonomy compliance looks like, and updating our own and our suppliers' operating principles.

Sustainability materiality matrix

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EPV's sustainability objectives and measures

Climate and biodiversity

- Climate change mitigation As an energy generation company, EPV has an important role to play: to generate emission-free energy and thereby help society as a whole to meet its emission targets. According to our strategy, EPV's energy production will become emission-free by 2030.
- In its business management and development, EPV also takes environmental considerations into account. EPV is committed to acting in accordance with the principles of sustainable development in all of its business activities.
- We do our best to promote biodiversity through the objectives of the company's Biodiversity Action Plan and by taking into account the impacts and links of different forms of energy production or projects on biodiversity.



Security of energy supply and cost-effectiveness

- · Competitive electricity and heat for our shareholders: Our main task is to ensure our capacity for responsible energy generation and to maintain a competitive production cost price far into the future.
- As more and more electricity is generated by renewable wind and solar power, there is a growing need for solutions for balancing power, flexibility and energy storage. Different energy storage solutions support and bring flexibility to the electricity system. Energy storage solutions are one of EPV's key areas of investment to increase flexibility.
- Energy is a strategic factor in society. Cybersecurity is closely linked to all EPV's operations and their development.



Employees and working conditions

- Together with its personnel and partners, EPV is creating a cleaner world. EPV has a network of more than 500 service providers who support its project implementation and day-to-day business operations, consisting of both domestic and foreign companies.
- EPV strives to take exemplary care of occupational safety matters. The company's goal is to build for its own employees and contractors a working environment in which occupational accidents do not occur.
- EPV treats all its employees fairly and equally. Our goal is an open and inclusive working environment.



Good governance and economic responsibility

- · Commitment to EPV Energy's Code of Conduct
- · Sustainability is part of our business metrics
- · Continuous risk management
- Responsible supply chain and ethical business Supplier Code of Conduct
- The energy sector is Finland's most capital-intensive business sector. Power plants and the energy distribution network tie up a large amount of capital over the course of decades. We plan our investments with great care, model the coming years' investment needs and strive to fund them in such a way that our security of supply and equity ratio remain desirable.







Corporate governance statement 2023

Principles of administrative practice

EPV Energy Group consists of EPV Energy Ltd and its subsidiaries. The registered office of the Group's parent company, EPV Energy Ltd, is Vaasa. EPV Energy Ltd is a limited liability company whose business, according to its Articles of Association, is to purchase energy for its shareholders and to engage in other related activities.

According to its Articles of Association, EPV Energy builds power plants and the transmission equipment they require, and engages in energy production or procurement using the power plants and equipment or the production resources it owns, and supplies the energy thus generated or acquired to its shareholders at a production cost price (the Mankala principle). EPV Energy delivers the energy it has produced or acquired to its shareholders in proportion to their ownership of each series of shares. Each shareholder of the series of shares in question is responsible for the annual variable and fixed costs defined in more detail in the Articles of Association. The parent company's administration costs are covered by charging them as part of the fixed annual costs in a manner specified in more detail in the corporate documents.

According to the Articles of Association, the liability of each shareholder for the annual costs is always limited to the amount corresponding to the proportion of their shareholdings in all the shares in the series in question, and the failure of any other shareholder to satisfy the responsibilities of the shareholder for costs in proportion to the

shareholders shareholding shall not increase any non-defaulting shareholder's liability.

The parent company's Board of Directors and the Group's Management Team discuss the main principles of the Group's operations. The parent company participates in the management and supervision of its subsidiaries and affiliated companies through its representatives appointed to the governing bodies of these companies. The Group's subsidiaries and affiliated companies have their own governing bodies as well as their own task forces and corporate documents.

EPV Energy's governance is based on legislation and its corporate documents.

INTERNAL CONTROL PROCEDURES AND RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS RELATING TO FINANCIAL REPORTING

Control mechanisms

The Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd ensures that the EPV Energy Group's administration and operations are appropriately organised. The CEO of EPV Energy Ltd is responsible for organising the control mechanisms for internal control, risk management, accounting and financial management with the support of the Group's Management Team. The guidelines cover the entire EPV Energy Group. The control mechanisms aim to ensure the legality of the company's operations, compliance with the rules and the reliability of financial reporting.

Internal control

The Board of Directors and the management are responsible for the organisation and adequacy of the company's internal control. The purpose of internal control is to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of the operations, the reliability of information, as well as compliance with the regulations and operating principles. EPV Energy's governance and internal control system are based on the corporate documents and policies approved by the Board of Directors, such as Corporate Governance Policy and other company guidelines.

The Group's Management Team usually meets about 10 times a year and monitors and discusses the implementation of the Group's operations. Additionally, each unit monitors the achievement of their business objectives. EPV Energy Ltd's economy review is discussed at the Board of Directors' meetings. At the Board meetings, the CEO of EPV Energy Ltd presents the company's financial figures, as well as the main events and trends related to the Group's business and its development.

Risk management

The purpose of risk management is to provide support for the achievement of the strategy and objectives and to ensure that operating conditions are maintained despite changes in the operating environment. Comprehensive risk management enables anticipation and resilience, and is an essential part of monitoring the achievement of strategic objectives.

EPV Energy's integrated risk management is based on the SFS-ISO 31000 standard and good governance. EPV Energy's risk management is guided by a risk management policy approved by the Board of Directors. In it, the objectives, principles, roles and responsibilities of risk management are specified. The company's risk management is an ongoing process aimed at supporting the achievement of the strategy and business objectives, maintaining the operating conditions and ensuring business continuity. Risk management is a systematic activity covering the whole Group. Risk management is therefore part of EPV Energy's management system and is integrated into the company's strategy process and decision-making.

In principle, risk management is decentralised to all levels of the organisation. Every employee is encouraged to identify, assess and report risks. The Vice President, Sustainability, is responsible for maintaining and developing risk management methods, risk reporting and insurance programmes. The Group's Management Team discusses risks regularly, revises risk reporting where necessary and reports on key risks to the Board of Directors of the parent company.

The subsidiaries and group units are each responsible for their own risk management and reporting.

EPV Energy's risk management team oversees the effectiveness of the risk management process and its implementation. In implementing risk management, it is important to take into account changes in the operating environment and global trends.

The risk management policy is reviewed annually to ensure that it is up to date. The policy is available to all staff and is also part of the induction process for new colleagues. Further information on risk management is provided to employees, for example, through the Group's Intranet pages.

The same process is used at EPV Energy to identify and manage all risks. EPV Energy's risk management policy includes a description of the risk management process at Group level. The purpose of the process is to ensure systematic treatment of operational uncertainties and their effective management. The aim is to treat the risk at hand according to its significance and thus ensure that the risk is within the limits of tolerance. Identified risks are presented in a Group-wide risk register. Reports on risks are generated based on the information in the register and these are reported to the appropriate parties according to the annual planning cycle. The company's most significant risks are discussed by the Management Team and the Board of Directors.

When preparing the risk management assessments for 2023, particular attention was paid to the current geopolitical situation and the development of the energy market.

In line with ISO 31000:2018, EPV also uses a risk management framework to develop its operations. Performance development aims to engage, develop and support management activities within the Group.

Financial control and reporting

The objective of internal control related to the financial reporting process is to ensure that the management has reliable, up-to-date information to help them in decision-making and that the financial statements and interim reports are prepared in compliance with laws and regulations.

The Group's own finance unit is responsible for the preparation of annual financial statements for EPV Energy Ltd and its Group companies, as well as monthly reports, profit estimates and analyses. The companies' financial reporting is regularly monitored by the Boards of the companies.

In general, shared systems are used for reporting. The Group's own finance unit also handles financial administration, accounting and ledger processes. Development and monitoring of the financial reporting processes and control systems is a continuous activity.

The separate financial statements of the parent company and other Group companies follow Finnish accounting practice.

The decision-making order for expenses, investments and financial commitments is determined in the corporate documents, and approval rights are determined in stages for the different organisational levels in the policy approved by the Board. Most significant decisions are submitted separately to the Board of the individual Group company and to the Board of the parent company for approval.

Auditing

According to the Articles of Association of EPV Energy Ltd, two (2) regular auditors and two (2) deputy auditors are elected as the company's auditors. One of the regular auditors and deputy auditors shall be an auditor approved by the Finland Chamber of Commerce or a Chamber of Commerce. The Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting annually

appoints an auditor. On 31 March 2023, the Annual General Meeting of EPV Energy Ltd elected Ernst & Young Oy as the company's Ordinary Auditor for the period until the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting in 2024, with Mikko Rytilahti, Authorised Public Accountant, and Kristian Berg, Authorised Public Accountant, as the main responsible Auditors and Anders Svennas, Authorised Public Accountant, and Marja Huhtala, Authorised Public Accountant, as the Vice Auditors appointed by Ernst & Young Oy. The Auditors report their audit findings to the Board of Directors and the General Meeting of Shareholders of EPV Energy Ltd.

The principal task of statutory audit is to verify that the financial statements give a true and fair view on the Group's results and financial position.

Ernst & Young's aggregate audit fees for the Group as a whole in 2023 amounted to approximately EUR 199,000 (EUR 160,000 in 2022). Ernst & Young's other fees from the Group amounted to approximately EUR 223,000 (EUR 93,000 in 2022).

GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

The General Meeting is the company's highest decision-making body. The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders decides on statutory matters and matters provided for in the Articles of Association, elects the members of the Board of Directors in accordance with the procedure specified in the corporate documents, confirms the fees of Board members and names an auditor. Other important matters that the Annual General Meeting has the power to decide include the adoption of the financial statements, the distribution of profits, releasing the members of the Board of Directors and the CEO from liability, and any amendments to the Articles

of Association. If necessary, the Annual General Meeting also issues binding directives to the Board on major investments of the subsidiaries and the other matters specified in the Articles of Association.

The Annual General Meeting must be held yearly by the end of June. An invitation to the Annual General Meeting will be sent to the shareholders at the earliest four weeks and at the latest one week before the meeting.

EPV Energy's shareholders approved in the Annual General Meeting on 31 March 2023 the financial statements of EPV Energy Ltd for 2022, released the members of the Board of Directors and the CEO from liability, and elected ordinary and deputy Board members for the new term.

Extraordinary General Meetings may be called if necessary.

In 2023, the Annual General Meeting of EPV Energy Ltd was held on 31 March 2023. 12 shareholders were present at the meeting, representing a total of approximately 86 per cent of the company's total voting rights. The members of the Board of Directors attended the meeting. The meeting was also attended by the CEO and the Deputy CEO, as well as other members of management.

COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS COMMITTEES

Composition and term of office of the Board of Directors

The members of the Board of Directors are elected annually at the General Meeting of Shareholders. According to the Articles of Association, the Board



consists of a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 12 ordinary members and five deputy members.

By unanimous decision of the shareholders at the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting on 31 March 2023, ten members and five deputy members were elected to the Board of Directors. Director Olli Arola, Managing Director Stefan Damlin, Chief Legal Officer Jaana Eklund, CEO Jouni Haikarainen, Managing Director Vesa Hätilä, CEO Heikki Lappalainen, Managing Director Anders Renvall, Member of Parliament Joakim Strand, Director Markku Vartia and Business Unit Director Hans-Alexander Öst were elected as Ordinary Members of the Board of Directors in accordance with their consent. The Deputy Members elected were Managing Director Esa Ala-Honkola, Managing Director Jari Lepistö, Director Kari Roos, Business Unit Director Markus Tuomala and CEO Jukka Ylitalo.

At its organising meeting, the Board of Directors elected Member of Parliament Joakim Strand as Chairperson and Chief Legal Officer Jaana Eklund as Vice-Chairperson.

All of the Board members are independent of the company. The Board members do not own any shares of the company.

The procedure for the election and organisation of the Board is specified in detail in the corporate documents. The Chair of the Board is nominated by the largest shareholder. The CEO is not a member of the Board of Directors.

Duties of the Board of Directors

The Board is responsible for the oversight and control of the company and the appropriate arrangement of the company's administration and operations.

Furthermore, the Board must ensure that the company's accounting and financial controls are properly arranged. The Board oversees that EPV Energy's affairs are managed according to the corporate documents/Articles of Association and the decisions of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

EPV Energy's Corporate Governance Policy defines the Board's main duties and the way it operates in more detail.

In order to perform its duties, the Board does the following, for example:

- appoints the CEO and the Deputy CEO
- supervises the executive management of EPV Energy
- decides on the company's strategic objectives and operational guidelines
- decides on the Group's financial instruments
- decides on the Group's budget and action plan
- · decides on remuneration system principles and approves the employment contract and other benefits of the CEO, unless it has authorised the Chairman of the Board or the Remuneration and Nomination Committee to make these decisions
- appoints task force and workgroup members
- approves policies and other guidelines which create the basis for the management system and internal control and which set limits on and guide and monitor the operations of the subsidiaries
- · supervises the Group's risk management
- compiles the Report of the Board of Directors and approves the financial statements
- approves the charge for the fixed costs for each series of shares and other bases for shareholder invoicing
- · summons the general meeting.

Meeting practices

EPV Energy's Board of Directors usually meets about 10 times a year. In addition to the members of the Board of Directors, the company's CEO and CFO regularly attend Board meetings. The other members of the Management Team attend the meetings at the invitation of the Board. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is the Group's Vice President, Sustainability. The Board has not assigned specific business monitoring priorities to its members. The meetings are usually chaired by the CEO of EPV Energy or, at his request, by another member of the Group's Management Team. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Board of Directors, the CEO is responsible for ensuring that the Board has access to sufficient information to assess the Group's activities and financial situation. In addition, the CEO supervises the implementation of the Board's decisions and reports to the Board on any shortcomings or problems in implementation.

The Board had nine meetings in 2023. The average attendance rate of Board members was 97 per cent.

Remuneration of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting of EPV Energy Ltd decides annually on the remuneration of the Board of Directors and the basis for reimbursement of expenses. The remuneration of the Board of Directors is paid in cash.

The remuneration to be paid to the members and deputy members of the Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd in accordance with the decision of the Annual General Meeting 2023 was as follows:

- Chairperson €1,400 per month
- Member (incl. Vice Chairperson) €1,000 per
- Deputy Member €800 per month
- Meeting fee, the same for everyone, €600 per meetina

Meeting fees are also paid to members of the committees and workgroups appointed by the Board.

Committees of the Board of Directors

To ensure that the issues within the responsibility of the Board of Directors are handled as efficiently as possible, the Board has appointed a Remuneration Committee that assists and reports to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors appoints at least three members to the Committee annually from among its members, appoints the chair of the committee and approves its charter.

Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee deals with matters concerning nomination and remuneration in general, the remuneration systems for the Management Team and employees, and deals with proposals to be submitted to the Annual General Meeting regarding the remuneration of the members of the Board.

The Board's Remuneration Committee approves the company's remuneration systems. Incentive bonuses of the Management Team are based on a long-term remuneration system and the criteria determined in it. The incentive scheme does not include shares or any derivatives.



Following a unanimous decision of the shareholders at the 2023 Annual General Meeting, the Board nominated Stefan Damlin as the chair of the Remuneration Committee and Jouni Haikarainen, Vesa Hätilä and Jukka Ylitalo as the other members of the committee. The Remuneration Committee met three times in 2023. Attendance at the meetings was 100 per cent.

In addition to the committee of the Board of Directors, the Board may appoint task forces or workgroups to assist the Board and senior management. The Board approves the duties and principles of operation of the task forces and workgroups.

The members of the Board of Directors, the CEO or other members of the company's management do not own any of the company's shares.

CEO AND OTHER SENIOR MANAGEMENT

CEO

The Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd appoints the CEO of the parent company and defines the terms of the CEO's employment in writing. The CEO is responsible for the day-to-day management of the company. He or she is accountable to the Board of Directors for the achievement of the objectives, strategy, plans, principles of operation and goals set by the Board. The CEO prepares matters to be brought to the Board of Directors for their decision and implements the Board's decisions. The CEO chairs the Group's Management Team.

Rami Vuola has been the CEO of the company since 2003. The Deputy CEO is Mats Söderlund, who is also the Group CFO and the Vice President of Combined Heat and Power Production, as well as a member of the Management Team. The personal details of the CEO and the Deputy CEO are given at the end of this report.

Management Team

The Board of Directors has appointed a Management Team for the EPV Energy Group which supports the CEO in preparing strategic issues, dealing with significant or fundamental operational matters and ensuring internal communication.

The EPV Energy Group's Management Team prepares and directs the development of the Group's processes and business operations as well as the Group's common activities. In particular, the Management Team takes care of the company's strategy, budget, major acquisitions and projects, the Group's structure and organisation, as well as the main lines of governance and HR policy issues. The Management Team consists of the CEO and the representatives responsible for operations at Group level.

The Management Team is not an administrative body regulated by the Limited Liability Companies Act. The subsidiaries and plant managers report to the business area managers.

At the end of 2023, the members of the EPV Energy Group's Management Team were:

- Rami Vuola, CEO
- Mats Söderlund, Deputy CEO, Group CFO and Vice President of Combined Heat and Power Production and Energy Storage
- Frans Liski, Vice President, Renewable Energy Production
- Reima Neva, Vice President, Energy Management and ICT

- Niko Paaso, Vice President, Portfolio Optimisation and Business Development
- · Maija Suutarinen, Vice President, Sustainability, Risk Management and Communications

The Management Team met 10 times in 2023, with Maija Suutarinen, Vice President, Sustainability, acting as secretary.

REMUNERATION OF THE CEO AND OTHER MEMBERS OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd, acting on a proposal from the Remuneration Committee, annually approves the principles of the bonus schemes for the entire Group's personnel. All regular staff are covered by a performance bonus system, which is determined and decided annually.

The Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd

Members of the Board



Joakim Strand

Chairperson Member of Parliament Member of the Board since 2015

Relevant work experience:

UPC Konsultointi Ov. International Operations Manager 2009-2015, Vaasan osuuspankki bank, notary unit 2004-2008.

Board memberships: Football Association of Finland, Högskolestiftelsen i Österbotten, Kvarken Link Ab. Kvarken Council EGTC, Nylands Brigads Gille r.f. Regional Council of Ostrobothnia, Sitra. Veikkaus Oy, Administrative Board, Vaasan Sähkö Ov. Åbo Akademi University Foundation.



Jaana Eklund

Vice Chairperson Chief Legal Officer at Helen, General Counsel, VP Member of the Board since 2023

Relevant work experience:

At the Helen Group since 2007.

Board memberships:

Helen Electricity Network Ltd Kristinestad Tupaneva Oy, Oy Mankala Ab, Tuulipuisto Lakiakangas 3 Ov.



Olli Arola

member Vice President, Strategy & Corporate Social Responsibility at Vaasan Sähkö

Member of the Board since 2005

Relevant work experience:

Vice President. Electricity Trade at Vaasan Sähkö 2002-2022, various positions at Electricity Trade at Vaasan Sähkö 1991-2001.

Board memberships:

Seinäioen Voima Ov. Voimapiha Oy.



Stefan Damlin

member CFO of Vaasan Sähkö Member of the Board since 2018

Relevant work experience:

Wärtsilä Finland Oy, CEO 2012-2018, Wärtsilä Corporation, Business Development Director, Globaali Industrial Operations 2011-2012, Wärtsilä Corporation. CFO, Global Engine Division Vice President, Heat 2005-2010, Finn-Power, **Group Business Controller** 2004-2005.

Board memberships:

Fingrid, Chair of Advisory Committee Neova Group, PD Power Oy, Pohjolan Voima Oyj, Power-Deriva Ov. Ravera Oy, Vaasan Voima Ov. Woima Corporation.



Jouni Haikarainen

member CFO of Lahti Energia Member of the Board since 2020

Relevant work experience:

Gasum Oy, Senior Vice President, Portfolio Management and Trading (PMT) 2019-2020, Gasum Oy, Senior Vice President, Natural Gas Business 2015-2018, Fortum Ovi. Business 2006-2014, E.On Finland Ovi, Production Manager 2005-2006.

Board memberships:

One1 Ov. Oomi Energia Ov. Suomen Hyötytuuli Oy.



Vesa Hätilä

member CEO of Seinäjoen Energia Member of the Board since 2018

Relevant work experience:

CEO of Koillis-Satakunnan Sähkö Ov. Sähkö-Virkeät Ov and Killin Voima Ov 2014-2017. Sales work at Empower 0v 2002-2014, football referee activities for Football Association of Finland 2000-2014.

Board memberships:

Seinäjoen Voima Oy, Voimajunkkarit Oy.



Heikki Lappalainen

member CEO of Imatran Seudun Sähkö, Kaakon Energia and Imatran Seudun Sähkönsiirto

Member of the Board since 2023

Relevant work experience: Management positions in various energy companies since 2017.

Board memberships: Kaakon Energia Oy.



Anders Renvall

member CEO of Kymppivoima Member of the Board since 2013

Relevant work experience:

Kymppivoima Oy, **Production Director** 2004-2013, TXU Nordic Energy, Chief of Property Management 2002-2004, Pöyry / Ekono, Business Management Consultant, 1996-2002.

Board memberships:

Kosalankankaan tuulivoimapuisto Ov, Pohjolan Voima Oyj, Teollisuuden Voima Oyj, Vattenfall Indalsälven Ab, Voimapiha Oy Ab.



Markku Vartia

member member Business Director, Electricity Business at Vantaa Energy (until 30 Nov 2023)

Member of the Board since 2009

Relevant work experience:

Management Team member at Vantaa Energy 2005-2023, various management positions.

Board memberships: Suomen Hvötvtuuli Ov,

Svartisen Holding AS. Woodtracker Oy.



Hans-Alexander Öst

Vice President, Electricity Trade at Vaasan Sähkö Member of the Board

since 2019 Relevant

work experience: Vice President, Vice President, Corporate Development at Vaasan Sähkö 2019-2022, in various positions in energy solution delivery projects, project management, sales and business development at Wärtsilä Energy 2009-2019.

Board memberships:

Tornion Voima Ov.



The Board of Directors of EPV Energy Ltd

Deputy Members of the Board



Esa Ala-Honkola

deputy member CEO of Alajärven Sähkö and JärviS-Energia

Deputy member of the Board since 2023

Relevant work experience:

Caverion, Head of **Business Development** 2022-2023, Wind Controller Oy, Business Development Director 2020-2022, VEO Oy, Director, expert services 2018-2019, VEO Oy, Business Unit Director 2013-2018.

Board memberships:

Alajärven Lämpö Oy, Vaasan Voima Oy, Voimajunkkarit Oy.



Jari Lepistö

deputy member CEO of Lehtimäen Sähkö Member/deputy member of the Board since 2013

Relevant work experience:

Works at Lehtimäen Sähkö 1982-2008.

Director of Electrical

Board memberships: Voimajunkkarit Oy.

Kari Roos

deputy member Vice President, Electric Power Unit at Seinäjoen Energia

Deputy member of the Board since 2018

Relevant work experience:

Electricity sales engineer 1998-2004, information systems engineer 1994-1998, Development Engineer 1989-1994, Electrician 1986-1989, entrepreneur 1980-1986.

Board memberships:

Vaasan Voima Oy.



Markus Tuomala

deputy member Vice President, District Heating Unit at Vaasan Sähkö

Deputy member of the Board since 2022

Relevant

work experience: In senior positions in foreign power plant projects at Wärtsilä Finland 2011-2019, in various managerial level positions at Wärtsilä Finland 2002-2011.

Board memberships:

Vaasan Voima Oy.



Jukka Ylitalo

deputy member CEO of Jylhän Sähköosuuskunta

Member/deputy member of the Board since 2016

Relevant work experience:

Management positions at Jylhän Sähköosuuskunta 1991-2015.

Board memberships:

Seinäjoen Voima Oy, Voimajunkkarit Oy.



Management Team of EPV Energy Ltd



Rami Vuola

CEO At EPV Energy since 2003

Relevant work experience:

Management positions at TXU 2000-2003, before that, Executive and managerial positions at Fingrid.

Board memberships:

Pohjolan Voima Oyj, Teollisuuden Voima Oyj, Several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.



Mats Söderlund

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Deputy CEO, Group CFO and Vice President of Combined Heat and Power Production and **Energy Storage**

At EPV Energy since 2015

Relevant work experience:

CEO of several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group 2015-

Citec Group, Global Director and member of Management Team 2011-2015, management positions, Project Manager and energy project development, Citec Group 2004-2011.

Board memberships: Teollisuuden Voima Oy,

Financing Committee, Several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.



Frans Liski

Vice President, Renewable Energy Production

At EPV Energy since 2004

Relevant work experience:

CEO of several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group Manager 2006-, at TXU 2003-2004.

Board memberships: Several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.



Reima Neva

Vice President. **Energy Management** and ICT

At EPV Energy since 2008

Relevant work experience:

CEO of several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group 2013-,

Head of Information Management at Tampereen Sähkölaitos 2003-2008, Management Consultant at Process Vision Oy 2000-2003, Head of **Energy Auditing at Fingrid** Oyj and IVO Voimansiirto Oy 1993-2000.

Board memberships: In subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.



Niko **Paaso**

Vice President. Portfolio Optimisation and Business Development

At EPV Energy since 2013

Relevant work experience:

CEO of several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group 2014-

Numerous positions at Fortum in production hedging, trading, business development and acquisitions 1996-2013.

Board memberships: PVO Lämpövoima Ov.

PVO Vesivoima Oy, Vattenfall Kraftgården AB, Several subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.



Maija **Suutarinen**

Vice President. Sustainability, Risk Management and Communications

At EPV Energy since 2018

Relevant work experience:

Communications Advisor at Danfoss Group 2014-2018, Group and IR Communications Specialist at Vacon Oyj 1999-2014.

Board memberships:

In subsidiaries of EPV Energy Group.

Economic responsibility contains within it both the sustainability of operations and the economic effects of our actions on others.

EPV's financial responsibility means careful planning of finances and monitoring economic developments. We anticipate factors that may affect our activities in the future and strive to take their effects on our finances into account in both the short and long term.

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Our main task is to ensure our capacity for responsible energy generation and to maintain a competitive production cost price far into the future. The energy sector is Finland's most capital-intensive business sector. Power plants, wind and solar farms, solutions for electricity storage and the energy distribution network tie up a large amount of capital over the course of decades. That is why we plan our investments with great care.

The aim is to ensure that the Group has access to market-based and continuous financing that supports the achievement of its strategic and financial objectives. In addition, financial policies are applied to manage and reduce the risks associated with financing. The objective of the financing strategy is to maintain the financial position of the Group and the Group companies in such a way that, regardless of the market situation, it is possible to finance and refinance the company's investments and operations as cost-effectively as possible, taking the risks into account. Risk management is at the heart of our financing strategy.

Successful operating activities have positive effects for society as a whole, and especially for the company's stakeholders, such as:

- · shareholders
- · employees
- · partners

The effects of well-considered and successful operating activities can be seen in the form of:

- new jobs
- · investments
- tax revenue

EPV's financial success creates the prerequisites for fulfilling the company's social and ecological responsibilities.

Competitive electricity and heat for our shareholders

We, as a company, do not seek profit with our operations. EPV Energy's most crucial task is to ensure that the electricity and heat supplied to our shareholders remains competitive. This requires the continuous follow-up of our operating environment and influencing the development of existing production resources.

Additionally, the company maintains and develops our readiness to make new investments as the operating environment evolves.

Direct economic impacts in 2023

MEUR 381.5

Purchases

MEUR 11.8 Wages, salaries

Taxes and social expenses

MEUR 3.2

and other remuneration for personnel

MEUR 2.4

Property taxes as a whole

MEUR 12.9

Net financing costs to creditors

MEUR 48.1







The supply chain as part of corporate sustainability

Together with its personnel and partners, EPV is creating a cleaner world. Responsible sourcing is one of our company-wide sustainability priorities.

Implementing responsible subcontracting and procurement

EPV is committed to respecting labour and human rights in its operations and supply chain and seeks to identify the related risks. We set environmental and social responsibility requirements for our subcontractors and supply chain and monitor compliance.

EPV's procurement process is the same for all contractors, regardless of how much money is changing hands. The process is described in our internal policies and guidelines. EPV ensures that it pays its invoices on time, provided that the billing information is correct. Payments are made in accordance with the billing information provided. The most common payment term is two weeks.

There have been no identified cases of corruption or bribery in EPV's own operations or those of its partners.

An important network of partners

We engage in close and open cooperation with many different stakeholder groups. In addition to our own staff, we provide work for hundreds of business owners and professionals annually. After years of active collaboration, we have excellent networks of expert partners in place for different energy production methods. Good, reliable suppliers, subcontractors and service providers are the lifeblood of our business. EPV seeks to make use of local partners.

Our sustainability requirements apply to the entire supply chain. We have developed a Group-wide code of conduct for our suppliers and we apply it to all our cooperation with suppliers or potential suppliers. In our code of conduct, we require our partners, among other things, to:

- comply with applicable local and international laws and regulations
- implement workers' rights in a proper and fair way
- act in an anti-discriminative way
- pay special attention to safety at work
- · take environmental issues into account in their partner's activities too

Purpose of the Supplier Code of Conduct

The purpose of our Supplier Code of Conduct is to define the basic legal, ethical, labour and environmental standards we expect EPV's suppliers to comply with. EPV's suppliers must comply with the principles set out in this Code of Conduct in all their business activities and in their relations with their employees and public authorities. By requiring its suppliers to share EPV's corporate sustainability values, EPV contributes to setting high standards for the sector in areas such as climate and human rights protection.

Our suppliers play a vital role in EPV's sustainability efforts. In addition to acting in a responsible way themselves, our suppliers must ensure that their own suppliers, subcontractors, consultants and business partners who are involved in supplying EPV with products, materials, components or services comply with the principles of our Code of Conduct. We require our suppliers to consider the economic, social and environmental impacts of their activities on all their stakeholders in relation to the size and footprint of the supplier.



Risk management

The purpose of risk management is to provide support for the achievement of the strategy and objectives and to ensure that operating conditions are maintained despite changes in the operating environment. Comprehensive risk management enables anticipation and resilience, and is an essential part of monitoring the achievement of strategic objectives.

EPV's integrated risk management is based on the SFS-ISO 31000 standard and good governance. EPV's risk management is guided by a risk management policy approved by the Board of Directors. In it, the objectives, principles, roles and responsibilities of risk management are specified. The company's risk management is an ongoing process aimed at supporting the achievement of the strategy and business objectives, maintaining the operating conditions and ensuring business continuity. Risk management is a systematic activity covering the whole Group. Risk management is therefore part of EPV's management system and is integrated into EPV's strategy process and decision-making.

In principle, risk management is decentralised to all levels of the organisation. Every employee is encouraged to identify, assess and report risks either to their line manager or to the Group's CFO or Vice President of Sustainability. EPV's Vice President of Sustainability is responsible for maintaining and developing risk management methods, risk reporting and insurance programmes. The Group's Management Team discusses risks regularly, revises risk reporting where necessary and reports on key risks to the Board of Directors of the parent company.

The subsidiaries and group units are each responsible for their own risk management and reporting.

EPV's risk management team oversees the effectiveness of the risk management process and its implementation. In implementing risk management, it is important to take global trends and changes in the operating environment into account.

Our risk management policy is reviewed annually to ensure that it is up to date. The policy is available to all staff and is also part of the induction process for new colleagues. Further information on risk management is provided to employees, for example, through the Group's Intranet pages.

The risk management process

The same process is used at EPV to identify and manage all risks. EPV's risk management policy includes a description of the risk management process at Group level. The purpose of the process is to ensure systematic treatment of operational uncertainties and their effective management. The aim is to treat the risk at hand according to its significance and thus ensure that the risk is

within the limits of tolerance. Identified risks are presented in a Group-wide risk register. Reports on risks are generated based on the information in the register and these are reported to the appropriate parties according to the annual planning cycle. The company's most significant risks are discussed by the Management Team and the Board of Directors.

When preparing the risk management assessments for 2023, particular attention was paid to the current geopolitical situation and the development of the energy market.

In line with ISO 31000:2018, EPV also uses a risk management framework to develop its operations. Performance development aims to engage, develop and support management activities within the Group.

Risks and opportunities

EPV's main risks relate to the energy market and generation capacity. These can take the form of challenges with fuel availability or changes in emissions trading or the market. All risks affect the achievement of our strategic objectives.

Climate change and adapting to it is a major driver of energy markets. Climate change brings both threats and opportunities. We have assessed the risks and opportunities climate change brings to our business and the risks and opportunities our operations raise for the climate. Climate change will inevitably affect our operations, especially when it comes to forest management and the availability of domestic fuel. Rising temperatures allow, among other things,

the spread of invasive species in forests. This may negatively affect both EPV's operations and local biodiversity. It has been suggested that one of the opportunities climate change brings is the acceleration of technological development, enabling the introduction of new energy technologies and portfolio diversification.

The threats and opportunities of climate change have been assessed over a five-year timeframe, with a short timeframe of less than two years, a medium timeframe of two to five years and a long timeframe of more than five years. The economic impact has also been estimated at three levels, with low impact being less than EUR 5 million, medium impact between EUR 5 and EUR 20 million and high impact over EUR 20 million. The results of the evaluation can be seen in the table on pages 46 and 47.



EPV's main risks relate to the electricity market and generation capacity

Risk category	Sub-category	Concrete risk	Timeframe	Financial impact	Preparedness
Legislative	New or changing regulations	Stricter taxonomy criteria	Medium	Medium	Implementing the strategy and anticipating regulation
		Requirements from public authorities or slow processing of cases affect the achievement of objectives	Short	Medium	Useful discussions and interaction with stakeholders. Proactive and timely action.
		Stricter environmental requirements for hydropower	Long	High	Useful discussions and interaction with stakeholders. Proactive and timely action.
		Additional tax burdens	Medium	Medium	
Physical	Extreme weather phenomenon	Production plants face output limitations due to high cooling water temperatures	Short	Low	Continuous monitoring of cooling water temperature and responding proactively to plant operations. Output limitation required.
		Storms may cause short outages or challenges for production activities	Short	Low	Continuous monitoring of plant operation and weather conditions; pre-shutdown of equipment before an accident.
	Wildfire	Wildfire may threaten biofuel storage fields	Short	Medium	Decentralisation of biofuel storage fields, monitoring and responding to wildfires where necessary.
	Data security	The reliability, integrity or availability of systems is compromised.	Medium	Medium	Technical solutions and their maintenance, auditing and monitoring, as well as staff training and communications.
Market	Emissions trading	Emissions trading prices rise further and make it more difficult to maintain certain forms of energy production.	Medium	Medium	A controlled reduction in the use of fossil fuels and peat.
	Availability of fuels	There is a risk that there may not be enough fuel available for electricity generation, leading to a reduction in electricity production	Short	Medium	Sufficient fuel stock
	Change in the market	New and transformational investments are not profitable; not reacting to changes in the market quickly enough.	Medium	High	Supporting innovative technological changes in line with the strategy

Opportunity category	Sub-category	Concrete opportunity	Timeframe	Financial impact	Preparedness
Technology	Innovations	Changes in the way production plants run enable new technological solutions	Medium	High	Enabling large investments for the EPV Energy Group; encouraging staff to boldly present their ideas
		Recycling of materials	Medium	Low	Projects take recycling into account and support suppliers in improving their performance
		Using new fuels	Long	Medium	Enabling new and transformational investments in the EPV Group
		Expanding our portfolio	Medium	Medium	Investing in new forms of production and technologies
Market	Public relations	Society is more involved in the debate and more supportive of the new electricity revolution	Short	High	Transparent and reliable communications
		Climate policy creates conditions for investment in new technologies and clean energy markets	Medium	High	Transparent and reliable communications
	Market advantage	Clean, emission-free electricity for consumers and owners	Medium	Medium	Implementing the current strategy
		Market advantage through a broad portfolio	Long	High	Implementing the current strategy

EPV is well prepared for the future risks that climate change may bring, thanks to its broad production portfolio, proactive maintenance, changes in the way power plants are operated and a well-planned strategy. The risks identified are local and there are not many major financial risks on the horizon

based on current information, thanks in part to our portfolio. We constantly monitor changes in the operating environment and identify potential risks and methods of controlling them. We design the methods of control with a view to reduce the impact or occurrence of risks, even possibly elimi-

nating the risk altogether if it makes financial sense to do so. When applying a proactive strategy, the risks identified can be taken into account when compiling the strategy and proactively exploited for business development.

We pursue opportunities by setting strategic objectives and striving to reach them. By investing in new forms of production and upgrading technologies to make use of new solutions, the opportunities offered by climate change can be realised.



Ecological responsibility

EPV is on the road towards zero-emission electricity generation. As an energy generation company, we have an important role to play: to help society, with its ever-increasing need for electricity, to meet its emission targets.

The current state of our planet requires great changes and the acceleration of driving down emissions. The message from the research is clear: we can still mitigate climate change and biodiversity loss, but we need to act now. The energy sector has a vital role to play in combating climate change. More than 70 per cent of the EU's greenhouse gas emissions come from the processing and consumption of energy that is based on the conversion and combustion of fossil fuels, for example in industry, households and transport. Therefore, tackling climate change requires changes in energy production and consumption. Meeting energy demand and simultaneously reducing greenhouse gas emissions is an enormous challenge for the EU and its member states.

As an energy generation company, EPV has an important role to play: to generate emission-free electricity and thereby help society as a whole, with its ever-increasing need for electricity, to meet its emission targets. According to our strategy, EPV's energy production will become completely emission-free by 2030.

EPV's generation shares produced 4,290 (3,790) GWh of electricity, which corresponds to 5.5 (5.5) per cent of the electricity produced in all of Finland.



Taking biodiversity into account in EPV's operations

It is an inescapable fact that all energy production activities have some impact on biodiversity. Of all EPV's activities, land use and emissions have the greatest impact on biodiversity.

Biodiversity is a prerequisite for life for humans too. Diverse ecosystems provide food and raw materials, help regulate water and nutrient flows, offer habitats for insects so they can pollinate crops, bind carbon, support the health of humans and other life forms, and create opportunities for recreation. EPV is aware of the environmental impact of its business activities and seeks to prevent negative impacts on the environment through measures such as:

- · continuously reducing emissions from operations
- taking land use and environmental impacts into account, as well as ways to reduce them
- paying particular attention to assessments of environmental impact and making provisions for environmental risks in accordance with the precautionary principle
- promoting biodiversity as much as possible through projects in the company's biodiversity programme
- also getting our service and supplier partners to commit to environmentally responsible practices
- identifying environmental risks or opportunities
- taking into account the sustainability of the fuel chain
- using energy and water more efficiently and sorting and recycling waste.

EPV's work to promote the environment and biodiversity is guided by internal policies, such as environmental and energy efficiency policies, environmental impact

assessments and cooperation with public authorities and other stakeholders. These guidelines and Code of Conduct were created because EPV requires both its own staff and its partners to take sustainability and environmental issues seriously.

For 2024, EPV has drawn up a biodiversity action plan that sets out objectives and tasks for each area of business. The action plan involves the objectives of the EU biodiversity strategy, such as increasing carbon sinks by reforesting former peatland areas. The plan has been presented to and approved by the Board. The aim of this work is to identify the potential impacts of different types of production on biodiversity, and ways to reduce these impacts. The action plan will be updated annually and a yearly assessment will be conducted on whether previous measures were implemented and whether they were effective. To monitor the plan, a Group-wide performance indicator has been set up to ensure that at least one biodiversity project is carried out each year. EPV aims to ensure that biodiversity and ways to promote it are taken into account in all its land use for energy production.

Site selection for new power plants

We aim to select sites for new solar and wind farms that already have fragmented habitats or low en-

vironmental value, to minimise our impact on the environment. Locating solar power plants on disused peatlands will minimise the environmental impact.

EPV is involved in the Catch the Carbon project

Life-cycle sustainability is also strongly linked to the planning of sustainable after-use of areas no longer used for peat production. EPV has been involved in a pilot project in which an area of land that had been formerly used for peat production was transformed into one of the largest bird wetlands in Finland. There are also plans to use former peat production areas as industrial-scale solar farms. In addition, EPV is involved in the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland's Catch the Carbon project, where the main objective is to strengthen the planning of the after-use of peat production areas in a way that enables efficient carbon sequestration through optimal site-specific and area-level planning of after-use. EPV is participating in the project with two pilot sites, which are peat production areas that have been in service for a long period (Kampinneva, Lapua and Ohraneva, Kauhava).

Domestic biofuels

The wood used in EPV's power plants is mainly locally sourced wood. Most of the fuel we use is transported from within a hundred kilometres of the power plant. EPV has its own solid and experienced wood procurement organisation, supported by a supplier organisation that has been built up over the years. At the moment, availability is good.

The forests owned by EPV are regularly thinned for silvicultural purposes. In addition, we carry out other forest management work, such as the tending of seedling stands and ash fertilisation, which increase the growth of the forest on peat soil. In 2023, we fertilised 446 hectares with ash. We have valid forest management plans and have planned logging and silviculture measures for the next 10-year period. EPV's forests are PEFC certified.

Young forest management projects

Projects to manage young forests are increasing because of their availability of undelimbed trees that are suitable as energy wood. Coarser timber from first-thinning sites is increasingly being used as raw material for the chemical pulp industry. All the fuels we use meet the requirements of the EU RED II sustainability criteria. The purpose of the RED II sustainability criteria is to ensure good forest management and reliable and verifiable information about the origin of the wood to make sure that it does not come from illegal logging sites.

The biomass fuel supplied must meet the sustainability criteria set out in chapter 2 of the Act on Biofuels, Bioliquids and Biomass Fuels (393/2013), and the supplier must be able to prove the origin of the biomass fuel and compliance with the sustainability requirements on request. Compliance with these requirements is monitored by the Energy Authority. The operator has a self-monitoring and reporting obligation to the Energy Authority.



Environmental impact of production methods

EPV is aware that the energy sector has a vital role to play in combating climate change. By producing clean electricity, EPV also helps society to meet its emission targets.

Wind power is one of the company's most important energy generation methods

EPV is one of the leading operators in industrial-scale wind power production in Finland. The company started its wind power programme as early as 2006. In 2023, around 25.5% of EPV's electricity generation came from wind power.

Our sixth wind farm was commissioned and preliminary preparations for the seventh continued

Wind power is an important part of EPV's New Electricity Revolution strategy and zero-emission energy portfolio, and work continued on new wind farms in 2023. In early 2023, the Norrskogen wind farm in Närpiö was put into commercial operation. This new wind park will produce an average of 300 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of electricity per year. Also, preparations in the project area of the Rajavuori wind farm in Laihia progressed well. EPV Windpower Ltd aims to build an industrial-scale wind farm in Rajavuori, consisting of a maximum of 18 wind turbines in accordance with the component master plan. No investment decision has yet been made on the wind farm.

EPV takes responsibility for its wind farms throughout their life cycle

EPV Energy takes responsibility for the smooth functioning and safety of its wind farms throughout their life cycle. This also includes the recycling of the wind turbines and the reuse of the sites they are located in.

The sites of the wind farms can be reused, depending on the technology and energy solutions used in them.

New wind turbines can be built to replace decommissioned ones if the municipality or landowner so wishes. The site is valuable in itself, because of the roads and electrical network built there. Above all, the site has the advantage that there is detailed information available about the wind conditions in the area over a long period.

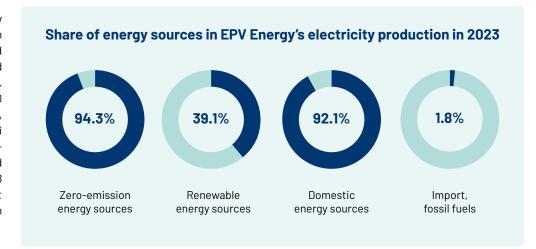
Where re-use is not possible, the wind farms will be dismantled. If wind turbines are dismantled, their parts are recycled according to the best available current technology. EPV will be responsible for this dismantling and for making sure that all the necessary parts are removed from the site. In collaboration with technology companies in the industry, EPV Energy aims to build zero-waste wind farms. In other words, it strives to achieve a value chain that does

not create waste materials but, instead, reuses all material if possible.

Most of our turbine parts can already be recycled. For the time being, the parts most difficult to recycle are the turbine blades, which are composed of materials that are difficult to separate. Although wind farms will not be dismantled on a large scale in Finland until the 2030s, composite plastic waste is also created in other sectors, and the solutions and alternatives for recycling composite materials are being widely sought throughout the country. There are also many kinds of development projects under way at EU level that are researching how turbine towers or the materials from wind turbine blades could be reused in the future.

EPV is involved in projects exploring the effects of wind power on reindeer husbandry and wildlife

EPV is involved in the Porotuuli project, as well as a project studying the effects of wind power construction on wildlife, which are led by the Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke). The Porotuuli project brings together wind power operators and representatives of reindeer husbandry in Lapland. The aim of the project is to study how wind power construction can be planned and carried out in a socially and culturally sustainable way in reindeer herding areas. The motive for producing information is to minimise the harm caused to reindeer husbandry, to develop fair and just planning processes



and to proactively prevent land-use conflicts. The practical objective of the project is to study what measures can be taken to improve trust and the exchange of information between the wind power sector and reindeer husbandry. The project also aims to define best practices for the wind power sector in reindeer herding areas.

The wind power project also focuses on the presence of wildlife and the ways their habitats are used in the vicinity of wind turbines. Almost all major wind power developers in Finland are involved in the project. The project will run from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2027. The project will produce a wide range of information on the impact of wind farms on game and other wildlife species as well as hunting.

EPV was involved in promoting offshore wind power projects

Offshore wind power and its potential have been a topic of discussion in Finland for a long time, but

there has not yet been a real breakthrough. Once again in 2023, EPV played its part in promoting offshore wind projects. As part of the New Electricity Revolution strategy, a dedicated technology team was set up to promote these offshore alternatives.

At present, offshore wind power is still significantly more expensive than its onshore equivalent and investments would require public policy instruments to be set up. However, rapid technological developments may change this situation in the medium term, as offshore wind has the largest relative production potential and construction in Europe is concentrating more and more on offshore projects, especially in countries where finding sites for onshore wind farms is challenging.

EPV Energy's subsidiary Rajakiiri Oy is planning an offshore wind farm in the Maanahkiainen area of the Bothnian Bay off Raahe and Pyhäjoki. The project would include an offshore wind farm and the necessary connecting power lines to the national grid. The Maanahkiainen project has been subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure and it has a legally binding component master plan. Due to developments in power plant technology, the dimensions allowed by the component master plan are now too small, which is why the company has requested an update of the plan and both municipalities have accepted the initiative. The land-use planning process is currently underway. The project is located in a water area managed by Metsähallitus, a state-owned enterprise that produces environmental services.

Rajakiiri Oy is also planning a smaller offshore wind farm in the area in front of Outokumpu Oyj's steelworks in Tornio. Rajakiiri has concluded long-term reservation agreements for the water area with the City of Tornio and the Pirkkiö joint property management association. This project also has already gone through the environmental impact assessment procedure and town planning. The City of Tornio has accepted Rajakiiri Oy's initiative to update the town plan to allow for larger power plants in the future.

The land-use plans for both projects will be updated between 2022 and 2025, after which further planning can be done for the water permit and building permit processes, allowing the projects to be implemented in the 2030s.

An investment decision to build EPV's first industrial-scale solar power plant

Solar power is also an important part of EPV's emission-free energy portfolio of the future, generated using renewable sources. The economic competitiveness of this form of production has improved over the last few years, and this trend is expected to continue. In solar projects, EPV focuses on industrial-scale production areas and takes advantage of

areas suitable for solar power that it already owns.

EPV made an investment decision in 2023 to build its first industrial-scale solar farm in Heinineva, Lapua. The new solar farm will produce more than 90 GWh of electricity per year. This was a big decision and an excellent first step for EPV towards solar power generation. EPV's strategy emphasises our desire to be at the forefront of progress and to lead the way in the energy transition. This renewable energy project is a purposeful and determined step in our move towards emission-free energy generation. The project was preceded by a long period of testing and development. The project will be built on a phased-out peat production site, and we have extensively studied different types of foundations, as they will contribute to optimising the use of our entire production portfolio. The Heinineva area is large and open and virtually shade-free. Not only is it a large-scale project, but it will also demonstrate a new type of technology that has been developed in Finland. In addition, the aim is to introduce an industrial-scale forecasting model for solar power production.

Work on the large solar power park in Heinineva progressed well in 2023. The final tests and commissioning of the new solar farm will take place in late 2025. EPV's Heinineva solar power project in Lapua was awarded NextGenerationEU funding of EUR 12 million from the European Union's Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) on 15 December 2022.





Hydrogen plays an important role in achieving climate targets

Hydrogen is expected to play an important role in achieving global climate targets. Using nuclear power and electricity from renewable energy sources, hydrogen can be produced without emissions. Because hydrogen can be stored, it can contribute to solving the storage problem of renewable electricity whose production is dependent on the weather. That is why EPV also wants to be involved in research into this technology. Together with other Vaasa-based organisations, EPV intends to produce hydrogen from wind-generated electricity and then electricity from hydrogen on calm days. The cooperation being planned in Vaasa will enable a new way of storing renewable energy. The idea is to store the heat resulting from energy generation in the existing thermal energy storage facility built into rock caverns in the area and use it in the Vaasa district heating network, while maximising the total efficiency of the system. It will also make it possible to pilot a hydrogen-based energy production solution that is suitable for the global export market.

EPV's Power-to-X-to-Power hydrogen project received a significant boost when the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment of Finland granted it EUR 14 million in investment aid in late 2021. In 2022, an environmental investigation was conducted on the project, followed by an environmental impact assessment based on the results and conducted as an individual case procedure. To ensure a safe site, a major accident risk assessment was also carried out. The technical design of the project and the application procedures for the regular environmental and chemical safety permits have also progressed significantly during 2023.



EPV is also involved in Hydrogen Cluster Finland, which has prepared a vision that aims to make the hydrogen economy a new export pillar for Finland by 2030. By then, companies in the cluster will provide global solutions for building a carbon-neutral society. In addition to the H-Flex-E project, monitoring national cooperation and training staff in hydrogen-related issues are part of EPV's development work.

We produce emission-free base load power and balancing power using renewable sources of energy

Affiliated and associated companies that produce hydropower and nuclear power for EPV:

- Pohjolan Voima Oyj
- Teollisuuden Voima Oyj
- Voimapiha Oy

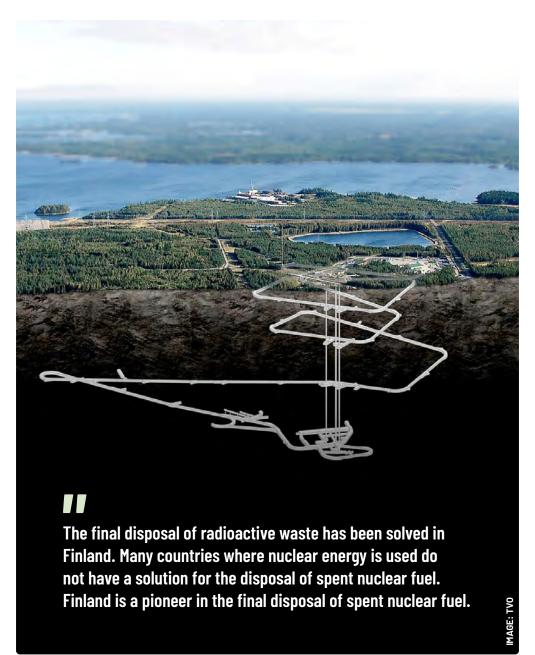
When produced in a responsible way, nuclear power is an environmentally friendly and safe way of producing electricity throughout its lifespan. The lifespan of nuclear power plants is several decades, and they produce completely zero-emission electricity in a similar manner to hydropower and wind power.

Nuclear power is an important ingredient in the future of zero-emission electricity production

Nuclear power does not generate greenhouse gas emissions or air pollutants. The difference between nuclear power and wind and solar power is the fact that nuclear power is not dependent on the weather.

For approximately 40 years, Teollisuuden Voima Oyj (TVO) has produced nuclear power for EPV from Olkiluoto 1 and 2 nuclear power stations. In 2023, nuclear power made up 51.2 per cent of EPV's electricity generation. Nuclear power has been the largest single form of energy generation in EPV's production portfolio for some time and its role is strengthening further. The commissioning of Olkiluoto 3 significantly increased EPV's emission-free production. EPV's generation resources increased by 160 MW and our annual nuclear output will increase by more than one terawatt-hour in one go.

The Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority (STUK) granted permission to start the Olkiluoto 3 EPR reactor in December 2021. During 2022, OL3 commissioning continued with tests in stages where the reactor was at different capacities until the reactor reached its full capacity. Nuclear power plays a crucial role in electricity generation in Finland and in achieving zero-emission targets. Currently, a good third of Finland's electricity generation is produced with nuclear power. The IPCC climate report has raised a great deal of debate about nuclear power once again. Nuclear power and hydropower are currently the most important forms of emission-free electricity production. For example, approximately 50 per cent of Europe's emission-free electricity production is generated with nuclear power. One of the key arguments for building more nuclear power facilities is that it will facilitate the achievement of climate targets.



The construction of a permanent repository for nuclear waste is on the home stretch

The final disposal of radioactive waste has been solved in Finland. Teollisuuden Voima Oyj and Fortum Power and Heat Oy established Posiva Oy to carry out research on the final disposal of the spent fuel rods from their nuclear power stations and to implement the disposal in practice. The spent nuclear fuel will be permanently disposed of deep in the bedrock of Olkiluoto in Eurajoki.

Finland is a pioneer in the final disposal of spent nuclear fuel. Many countries that use nuclear energy have final disposal facilities for low and intermediate-level waste, but no other country has started the final disposal of high-level spent nuclear fuel. The final disposal solution for spent nuclear fuel in Finland has been planned with highly detailed precision. Posiva has proceeded purposefully towards the implementation of this final disposal while keeping to the schedule, because it is time we take responsibility and stop putting off the decision and trusting that future generations will take care of it.

Posiva has applied for an operating licence for an encapsulation and final disposal facility for spent nuclear fuel

At the end of December 2021, Posiva, submitted an application to the Finnish Government for a licence to operate an encapsulation and final disposal facility for spent nuclear fuel. Excavation of the final disposal tunnels started in 2021 and the construction of the encapsulation plant were already started in Olkiluoto in 2019.

After 30-50 years of storage, the spent nuclear fuel will be transported to the encapsulation plant where it will be dried and enclosed in hermetically sealed



canisters designed for final disposal. The canisters will be placed in the disposal tunnels in the bedrock of Olkiluoto. The final disposal of nuclear fuel is scheduled to start in the mid-2020s. If everything goes to plan, Posiva will be the first company in the world to start nuclear waste disposal.

Nuclear power companies are responsible for nuclear waste management

The responsibility for nuclear waste management belongs to nuclear power companies, whose duty it is to take care of the actions necessary in managing nuclear waste and to bear the costs of these actions. In accordance with the Nuclear Energy Act, nuclear waste generated in Finland must be handled, stored and permanently disposed of in Finland, and nuclear waste from other countries must not be imported.

Plenty of time has been reserved for the preparation and practical implementation of final disposal. Thor-

ough preparations and careful implementation will ensure the safety of the final disposal measures taken.

Hydropower producer actively maintains and develops water environments

Our associated company, Pohjolan Voima Oyj (PVO), produces hydroelectric power in Finland. The company actively manages and develops the aquatic environment, for example through bank restoration, fish stocking and the capture of fish in the lower reaches and their release higher upstream, as well as by cooperating in projects that aim to restore migratory fish stocks.

EPV is also a part owner of Voimapiha Oy, which delivers renewable energy from Swedish hydroelectric power plants to its shareholders. Voimapiha is also indirectly involved in Sweden's hydroelectric power fund, which began its activities in early 2019. The hydroelectric power fund's shareholders are

responsible for 95 per cent of Sweden's hydropower production. Hydroelectric power plants will be able to apply for funding from the fund for new environmental investments. In 2023, hydroelectric power represented 7.5 per cent of EPV's power procurement.

New electric boilers and the expansion of our thermal energy storage facility put us firmly on the road towards emission-free heat production

The new electric boilers and the extension of the thermal energy storage facility were commissioned in October 2023 in Vaskiluoto, Vaasa. The new heat generation solutions will perfectly support EPV's strategy and promise of emission-free and flexible energy generation and consumption. Together, the electric boilers and TES facility will contribute to the clean heat production system of the future and are an essential part of the company's peak load reserve. In addition to demand response, these new investments will reduce CO2 emissions from production.

With the heat the electric boiler produces and using the thermal energy storage facility, we can optimise the heat loads and shutdown periods of the Vaasa power plant better than ever. Additionally, the electric boiler allows the power plant longer shutdown periods. Together with thermal energy storage optimisation, this creates significant benefits and improves the usability of the power plant system's heat generation.

Correspondingly, the energy produced by the electric boilers will reduce fuel consumption. As the need for fuel decreases, the company can reduce the area in which bioenergy is sourced, which will result in fewer transport kilometres. In addition, the most challenging fuel fractions in the available fuel range can be eliminated. This will free up bioenergy frac-

tions for further processing, to a higher degree of refinement, and promote sustainable development also in other sectors. By replacing combustion with electric boilers, climate emissions in electricity generation are reduced, thus contributing to achieving Finland's and the EU's climate targets.

The electric boilers and thermal energy storage facility commissioned in Vaskiluoto, Vaasa, in 2023 led to the creation of the largest electric boiler/thermal storage combination in Finland. Vaskiluoto is a mega-scale project that already combines different energy sectors in an excellent way. The plant's storage capacity rose to as much as 11 GWh and its electric heating capacity to 160 MW.

Thermal energy storage caverns bring flexibility to energy production

2023 was the third year that the Vaskiluoto thermal energy storage (TES) facility, owned by Vaasan Voima, was in full operation. The TES facility was used to optimise production and it proved to work as planned. The facility enabled the Vaskiluoto power plant to reduce its output when the market price of electricity was at an unprofitable level. The shutdown of the power plant during a heat supply period is also made possible by the TES facility.

The TES facility will diversify the region's heat supply now and in the future. The power plant will carry out charging, and heat will be discharged from the TES system to be used in the region's district heating network. The TES facility acts as an optimisation tool within EPV's energy generation portfolio.

 The total capacity of the caverns used for thermal energy storage is 210,000 m³ (comprising two thermal storage caverns with a capacity of 150,000 m³ and 60,000 m³)

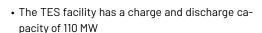


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The extension of the thermal energy storage facility was completed in 2023. The expansion of the facility involved making use of a second cavern of 60,000 m³, which will increase the facility's capacity by about 40 per cent.

In the future, the TES facility can be utilised regardless of the production method. The flexibility afforded by the facility is a key factor in EPV's energy generation system and will continue to be, even after the life cycle of the current plants has come to an end. The technology constructed on the site will be easy to modernise and adapt for new purposes as required. For example, the potential future hydrogen project will be connected to it, and the cavern fluid can be heated using wind, solar or some other renewable energy source, while utilising electric boiler technology.

EPV's 12 MW electric battery at Teuva wind farm has been completed

2023 saw the completion of EPV's first electric battery at the Teuva wind farm. The power capacity of the electrical energy storage facility built on the site is 12 megawatts and its energy capacity is 12 megawatt-hours. The new electrical energy storage facility excellently supports EPV's New Electricity Revolution strategy, which has renewable electricity at its core. As more and more electricity is produced from renewable energy, the storage is needed. Different energy storage solutions support and bring flexibility to the electricity system. The battery storage facility will enable more flexibility and bring much-needed, fast balancing power to the power system. If, for example, we were to experience a major grid failure or an energy production resource were to drop out of the grid unexpectedly, the battery energy storage facility would secure the balance of the electricity system. The battery is still waiting to be connected to the national grid, which will take place in 2024.

Tornion Voima continued cooperation with Outokumpu

The close energy cooperation between Tornion Voima and Outokumpu continued in 2023. The part of their cooperation focused on energy efficiency was extended with the decision to build a 40 MW electric boiler in Tornio. The boiler will become operational at the beginning of 2024.

A plan for emission-free production has also been drawn up for Tornion Voima. The plan looks at what strategic changes should be made to enable the company to move to zero-emission production. The fuels currently used are industrial gas, biomass and peat. The new plan focuses in particular on measures that could help to phase out the use of peat.

Power plants taking part in the Energy **Efficiency Agreements programme**

All the CHP plants owned by EPV have already been part of the Energy Efficiency Agreements programme for years. These plants include:

- Vaasa power plant
- · Seinäjoki power plant
- Tornio power plant

The Energy Efficiency Agreements programme actively drives us to seek out areas in which we can improve our energy efficiency. With the resulting measures, we are improving the efficiency of our power plants, which can be seen in falling emissions and greater cost savings.

Seinäjoki and Vaasa power plants were audited in accordance with environmental management systems and energy efficiency certifications

In addition to the Energy Efficiency Agreement, the Seinäjoki and Vaasa power plants have been granted certifications for their environmental management systems (ISO 140001:2015) and the ETJ+ Energy Efficiency Management System. In 2023, both power plants underwent external audits for certification. The audits were carried out by the internationally accredited certification body and classification society DNV.

In 2023, a periodical audit was carried out at the Seinäjoki power plant for both its environmental management system (ISO 140001:2015) and the ETJ+ Energy Efficiency Management System. Vaasan Voima had its ETJ+ and ISO14001 systems re-audited after full ownership of the power plant was transferred to EPV at the beginning of 2023 as a result of a business transaction, and the certificates had to be transferred from Vaskiluodon Voima to Vaasan Voima. The audits for both power plants were completed without any anomalies.

Audits maintain energy efficiency and responsibility and improve operations

In addition to external auditing, EPV carries out internal targeted auditing directed at EPV's subsidiaries. EPV's audit programme is updated every three years to ensure that the audits are as systematic and comprehensive as possible. The programme

includes at least one audit of each majority-owned subsidiary and a site audit of each active construction site. The audit programme sets out the overall objectives for the audit period. The programme was updated in autumn 2023 for the period 2024-2026.

In 2023, ten internal audits were carried out in the company focused on, for example:

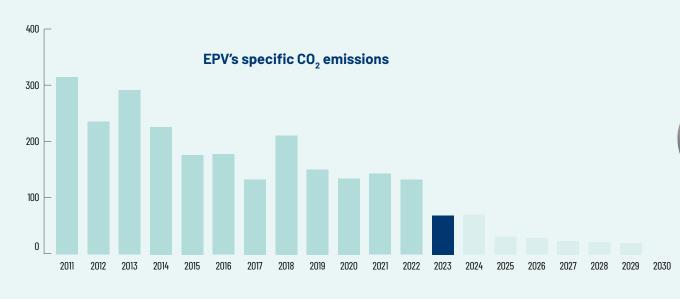
- the company's wind power plants under construction and already in use
- the energy-efficiency of power plants and the safety of construction projects
- a substation construction site
- · a peat production area

Audits are used to monitor the responsibility of the Group companies' operations. The audit results can also be utilised to standardise different companies' practices. When planning audits, any statements and complaints made by public authorities concerning the object of the audit are taken into account, as are any observations made about accidents and hazardous situations.

The audits are reported and the target company's representatives and main contractors operating in the area are notified at a sufficient level about the results of the audits. The implementation of any necessary corrective actions is monitored by EPV Energy and, when needed, through additional inspection visits.

2011 Röyttä wind farm

Carbon neutral energy generation by 2030





2012	Increasing the use of biomass in Tornio and Seinäjoki
2013	Vaasa gasification plant
2014	Hydropower from Sweden
2015	Torkkola wind farm and extension of the Röyttä wind farm;
	Coal condensing capacity decreases (Kristinestad 2 and Tahkoluoto)
2016	Santavuori wind farm
2018	Metsälä wind farm
2019	The last coal condensing plant decommissioned (Meri-Pori)
2020	Norwegian hydropower lease expires

2020 Commissioning of the TES facility at the Vaasa power plant
2021 Increase in wind power capacity: Teuva,
2022 Olkiluoto 3, Increase in wind power capacity: Närpiö
2025 Change in the operation of the Vaasa and Seinäjoki power plants
2026 Solar park I, wind power Metsälä II
2026 Increase in wind power capacity: Laihia
2027 Increase in wind power capacity: Simo
2028 Solar park II, Increase in wind power capacity: Kuusamo
2029 Increase in wind power capacity: Kiiri
2030 Solar park III, Increase in wind power capacity: Maanahkiainen

Emissions

EPV is part of the EU Emissions Trading Scheme, which aims to promote the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions.

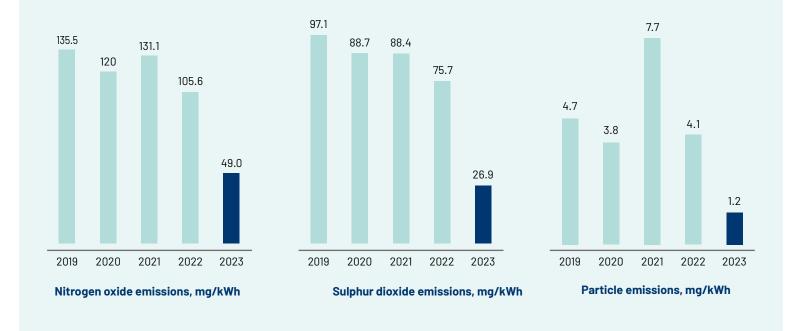
EPV's CO2 emissions come from the use of fossil fuels in energy generation. EPV's strategic goal is to reduce emissions from its energy production in such a way that its operations are carbon neutral by 2030. EPV does not contribute to emission offsetting, but aims to reduce emissions through its own activities.

It also monitors other air emissions such as nitrogen, sulphur and particulate emissions under the terms of its permit. The amount of these emissions is shown in the adjacent table.

In 2023, CO2 emissions from EPV's electricity supplied to our shareholders were 0.33 million tonnes, which is 38 per cent less than the previous year. Up to 94.3 per cent of the EPV's electricity production last year was free from CO2 emissions. The share of renewable energy sources was 39.1 per cent of the total electricity generated, and domestic fuels covered 92.1 per cent.



The average emissions of the electrical energy acquired through generation shares in 2023



EPV Energy's Scope 1-3 emissions 2023



EPV Energy's Scope 1 emissions

Scope 1 emissions cover the company's direct emissions. EPV's Scope 1 emissions come from its electricity and heat generation plants and from emissions from electricity purchased on the market.

In 2023, the average carbon dioxide (C02) emissions of the electricity procured by EPV were 69.5 g/kWh. This is significantly less than in the previous year.



In 2023, the average carbon dioxide emissions of the electricity procured by EPV were 41% less than the previous year



EPV Energy's Scope 2 emissions

Scope 2 emissions cover the emissions from the energy consumed by the company. EPV's Scope 2 emissions are mainly generated at EPV's three CHP plants in Vaasa, Seinäjoki and Tornio, as well as at electricity distribution facilities and other company sites.

In 2023, an energy audit was carried out for EPV. The audit is carried out every four years in accordance with the Energy Efficiency Act (1429/2014). The purpose of an energy audit is to obtain information on the energy consumption profile of the Group or company, identify energy saving opportunities, determine the amount of energy saved and report on the results of the audit. The energy audit was carried out for the whole Group, taking into account all its energy uses, including buildings, industrial and commercial activities and transport. The energy audit showed that EPV's CHP plants account for 99 per cent of the Group's total energy consumption.



EPV Energy's Scope 3 emissions

Scope 3 emissions cover a company's indirect emissions from sources not directly owned by the company. In 2023, EPV examined its potential Scope 3 emission sources. EPV discovered that its main potential Scope 3 emissions come from activities such as transporting biofuels, building wind and solar farms, recycling waste and transporting waste.

EPV is reporting its Scope 3 emissions for the first time. The most significant share of EPV's Scope 3 emissions in 2023 came from the transport of biofuels to power plants.

Social responsibility

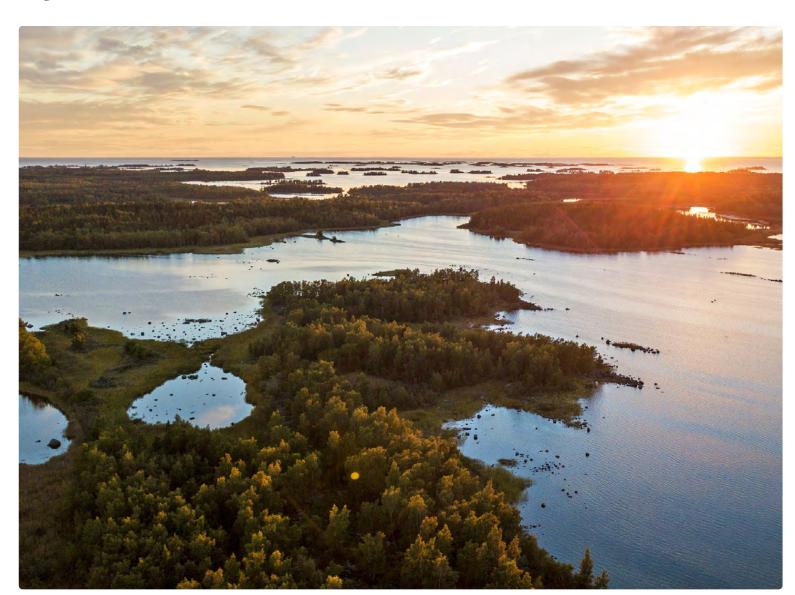
Together with its personnel and partners, EPV is creating a cleaner world.

The importance of our work is evident every day, for example, in:

- declining emissions
- the growth of renewable energy
- secure energy production and distribution
- projects involving new technologies

These development paths are a concrete representation of the high-level skills and competence of our personnel.

The importance of our work can be seen, for example, in falling emissions



Personnel

EPV invests in its employees' well-being, occupational safety and professional development.

EPV offers its staff interesting and varied duties and opportunities to improve their skills in their work and profession. Motivated and committed personnel are particularly valuable for the efficient functioning of EPV's operations. EPV applies an HR and remuneration policy as well as a Code of Conduct that each guide our human resource management activities and ensure that EPV complies with international and national legislation and agreements. As a matter of policy, we treat all our employees fairly and equally and do not accept child or forced labour. We expect our suppliers to also follow these principles.

EPV aims to ensure the commitment, motivation and continuous development of our personnel. At EPV, we are constantly working to ensure the well-being and comfort of all our staff. As part of the monitoring of our employees' job satisfaction, we carry out an annual staff survey. The latest staff survey was carried out in the autumn of 2023 in cooperation with Promenade Insight. The vast majority, 83 per cent, of the Group's staff participated in the survey. Importantly, at Group level, all metrics improved. Overall, staff experience at EPV is well above the average for energy sector organisations, and the excellent overall score has risen from last year to 4.14 (2022: 4.01).

As last year, our staff strongly associates EPV with reliability and stability. Compared to the 2022 survey, the perceptions of flexibility and fairness are now more prominent. Our strengths include our positive employer image, supervisory work, well-being at work and team spirit. Of all the statements made, those mentioning supervisory work in a positive light were the largest in number. In 2023, we used the Employee Net Promoter Score (eNPS) index for the first time to measure how likely our employees are to recommend our company as a good place to work, and we received an excellent score of 60. In the future, eNPS will be one of our Group-level indicators. The feedback from the survey will be used in the development of our operations to further reduce negative impacts on staff well-being and to identify and reinforce the positive aspects.

The Group's broad know-how is highly valued

In line with our strategy, we want to make sure that we keep pace with, and ideally stay at the forefront of, the changes and transformations in the sector. Maintaining the know-how of EPV's personnel plays a key role in ensuring the profitability of the Group's business activities and maintaining the continuous development of its operations.



Employee experience at EPV is well above the average for energy sector organisations

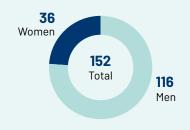
We had already created specialised teams around key technology areas back in 2021 to bring together people from across the Group and across organisational boundaries. This allows us to bring together the people with the most relevant and advanced expertise in each technology to work on specific issues. We also aim to optimise our use of the knowhow capital available and the sharing of knowledge and good practices between the teams. In 2023, the technology teams were very active and created significant new development ideas, some of which are already in full swing or nearing implementation. One notable example is the development of an industrial-scale solar power project which ultimately led to an investment decision.

EPV encourages its personnel to seek training and take part in events that support their professional development. Training opportunities can be explored together during Energy Discussions, which are held with each employee at least twice a year. In 2023, EPV staff have received an average of 3 days of training per person. Energy Discussions take place between the employee and their supervisor or manager, who together set and monitor goals for the coming year and for personal development. Energy Discussions are a great opportunity to give feedback and discuss in more depth issues such as well-being at work, work motivation and employee commitment.

In 2023, EPV increased its staff by 35 people. The biggest single reason for the increase in the number of employees was the transfer of more than 20 people from Vaskiluodon Voima Oy to Vaasan Voima Oy on 1 January 2023. During the year, 2 people in the Group retired and 4 resigned. On the last day of the year, the EPV Group employed 157 people. EPV also has "framework agreement employees" whose work arrangements are agreed upon when required. In 2023, the Group employed 4 people under a framework agreement. During the year, around 5 per cent of staff were on parental leave. The average length of service at EPV is 13.5 years and the average age of staff is 45 years. 25 per cent of our personnel are women. EPV operates in many locations, but most of its staff work in Ostrobothnia. EPV Energy's Board of Directors had 10 members, including one woman, and 5 deputy members. EPV Energy's Management Team consists of 6 people, one of whom is a woman.



Number of regular staff



Average age of staff



Equality

Equality is an important value for EPV. EPV complies with labour legislation and collective agreements in the energy sector and the Group upholds the right to belong to a union. Our staff policies emphasise the importance of equality.

There must be no inequality between people on the grounds of sex, age, religion, family status or any other personal factor as regards remuneration, rewards, organisational changes, training, recruitment or any other workplace activity. Discrimination in any form is not tolerated and equality is continuously assessed by HR. Our equality and non-discrimination plan is included in the Group's joint workplace development plan. The plan is reviewed and updated annually together with staff groups. In terms of pay, EPV follows the collective agreements in the energy sector. A person's salary is determined individually on the basis of an employment contract and as a contractual salary, taking into account job demands, the person's qualifications and the provisions of collective agreements in the energy sector. Between similar jobs with similar duties, there is no gender pay gap in pay at EPV. Across the board and across a range of jobs and employee groups, EPV Group's level of pay is good compared to the pay level shown in the statistics compiled by Finnish Energy.

In 2023, EPV has introduced an anonymous reporting channel, the Whistelblow Channel. Through this whistleblowing channel, it is possible to report suspected misconduct and unethical behaviour. The channel can be used by EPV's own employees, suppliers, customers and other stakeholders. The whistleblower will be legally protected against any retaliation.

The companies in the EPV Group engage in collaboration based on continuous dialogue. The cooperation groups of each company meet both in structured meetings and for informal open discussion outside the meeting cycle.

Well-being at work

All EPV companies offer their staff very comprehensive occupational health care services and insurance cover. Active attention is paid to well-being at work, and discussing well-being at work with a supervisor or manager is an essential part of the Energy Discussions.

In 2023, we invested in well-being at work by introducing a comprehensive cultural, physical activity and well-being benefit, which also allows staff to access dental care and massage, for example, according to their needs. We also introduced a employment bicycle benefit in 2023 to encourage our personnel to get more excercise.

Events, lectures, etc., related to well-being at work, are organised on a locality-specific basis. For example in the Vaasa region in 2023, a hiking expedition was organised through a magnificent nature site in Korsholm.



Between similar jobs with similar duties, there is no gender pay gap in pay at EPV

Safety at work

EPV strives to take exemplary care of occupational safety matters. The company's goal is to build for its own employees and contractors a working environment in which occupational accidents do not occur.

EPV's goal is to provide an exemplary approach to occupational safety. Occupational safety work and planning are carried out by the head of occupational health and safety and the Health and Safety Committee. The Committee has 7 members, 4 of whom are health and safety representatives and deputies elected by the staff. The other members of the Committee are the Vice President of Sustainability, the Head of Occupational Health and Safety, and the Human Resources Manager. The main task of the Health and Safety Committee is to improve occupational safety throughout the Group and to support the development of safety at work.

During the year, the project on harmonised reporting on occupational safety was continued. The project was completed in the autumn of 2023 and the roll-out of the programme started in November. A key aim of the project was to lower the threshold for making safety observations and reporting accidents. The reporting of observed incidents makes it possible

to prevent accidents. By correcting deficiencies in safety, accidents can be prevented. The information from the programme can be used for the continuous development of occupational safety. The programme allows the reporting of these topics among others:

- occupational accidents
- near misses
- serious occupational accidents
- · accidents on the way to and from work
- dangerous situations
- safety observations

EPV's accident frequency target for 2023 was < 5 for its own staff. The accident frequency rate is the ratio of the number of accidents that result in absence from work per million hours worked. The combined target for the whole Group, including partners, was to achieve a lower rate than the latest average in Finnish Energy's statistics. In 2023, the average accident frequency rate reported by Finnish Energy was 7.

EPV's accident frequency includes all accidents for both its own staff and contractors, including zero-accidents and accidents on the way to and from work. In 2023, the accident frequency rate was 7.5 per million hours worked. The number of accidents involving EPV's own staff was 0. From 2024 onwards, EPV will reduce its accident frequency in line with Finnish Energy's calculations. The safety figures are shown in the table on page 67.



Continued investment in cybersecurity

Energy is a strategic factor in society. Its crucial role makes it an attractive target for different types of actors. In 2022, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the geopolitical situation and its impact on energy markets have further underlined this. There has also been a trend in 2023 which shows that energy companies and their partners are under attack around the world.

In the current energy revolution, digitalisation is increasing, and systems and equipment are becoming increasingly integrated into larger and larger real-time entities. They are required to be extremely reliable. The role of small consumers as part of this system will also increase in the current decade, and electricity consumption will be integrated into the management of the electricity system.

Cybersecurity is closely linked to all EPV's operations and their development. It must be taken into account right from the design stage, and maintained and developed during the operational phase. This is an indispensable and critical area of activity to which EPV paid particular attention in 2023, as always.

In 2023, there were no accidents involving EPV's own staff

Public relations

We strive to be a good citizen by managing our relations responsibly with various actors in society.

We work closely together with our stakeholder groups in many matters concerning sustainable development, and we maintain an active dialogue and utilise it in further developing our activities.

Our most important stakeholders are:

- · shareholders
- employees
- · investors
- decision-makers
- · public authorities
- · landowners
- local business owners and partners
- · local communities
- · educational establishments

Proper and effective collaboration with decision-makers and public authorities creates a better framework for business activities and helps us to streamline projects, which is crucial to our strategy of New Electricity Revolution. Our strategy calls for investment in new clean electricity and heat generation and in the transmission of energy to the point of consumption. Policy makers and public authorities have an important role to play in creating a favourable environment for investment and enabling our projects, from the planning phase to the permit process.

EPV's strategic lobbying priorities promote clean energy transition

At the end of 2023, we compiled a lobbying strategy to promote a sustainable energy future in a more systematic way. The strategic focus of our lobbying is to create the conditions for new energy projects, which are a key part of a clean transition. We stress the importance of a technology-neutral and long-term energy policy and smooth licence procedures to boost investment.

The transition to a cleaner energy system must be well managed to ensure security of supply. Alongside new investments, it is therefore important to ensure the viability of existing production capacity. During the transition period, our objective is to secure a controlled reduction in CHP generation and fuel consumption in order to ensure sufficient energy generation and business profitability. In addition, the conditions for nuclear, wind, hydro and solar power generation are important to us as a company.

Alongside electricity generation, a strong electricity grid is at the heart of clean transmission, enabling uninterrupted transmission of electricity to consumers. EPV Alueverkko Oy (EPA) is a nationally licensed network operator with a 110 kV high-voltage distribution network. We are lobbying to promote the ability of our electricity transmission business

to continue to support clean energy solutions by investing in them.

Comprehensive risk management is part of EPV Energy's management system, in which lobbying remains a key part of our risk management toolbox. The role of lobbying is to manage political risks, reputational risks and regulatory risks to projects.

We work in a network to influence industry developments

We rely mainly on industry associations for political influence. Nevertheless, we have been preparing for the introduction of a transparency register set up by the National Audit Office of Finland (NAOF). We are committed to Finnish Energy's Sustainable Lobbying Principles, on the basis of which our lobbying:

- · is open, honest and ethical
- is based on strong expertise and facts, with integrity built in

We do not give gifts that may influence decision-making or lead to some form of dependency between the parties.

As a member of trade associations, we are involved in public debate and striving to influence opinions. The main organisations guiding the development of the energy sector are Finnish Energy, the Energiakaupungit Association, the Bioenergy Association of Finland and the Finnish Wind Power Association. We are members of all of them and our staff hold positions of trust in them. Membership of the World

Energy Council (WEC) Finland also provides us with valuable information, as does participation in Hydrogen Cluster Finland, a network of companies and industry associations. By participating actively, we always stay up to date on the latest developments in the sector and the operating environment.

The development of the electricity market is part of the sustainable development of the energy sector, in which we participate not only through industry associations but also through the workgroups of Fingrid and e-Sett.

We are also an active member of the National Emergency Supply Agency through which we aim to ensure our country's security of energy supply. We are a member of the National Emergency Supply Agency's Energy Supply Sector and Heat Pool Committees.



Alongside new investments, it is important to ensure the viability of existing production capacity



A major electricity distributor serving its country

We transmit electricity from the main grid and power plants to electricity distribution companies and other major end-users.

EPV Alueverkko Oy (EPA) is the largest high-voltage (110 kV) distribution network company in Finland. It transmits energy in Ostrobothnia, South Ostrobothnia, Kokkola and the Tornio region, as well as from Pohjolan Voima's lijoki hydropower plants to the grid. EPV Teollisuusverkot Oy is a company owned by EPV Energy and Outokumpu and it owns the 400 kV and 110 kV transmission lines and the 400/110 kV high-voltage line transformer located in Tornio.

We continuously invest in our electricity grid infrastructure to ensure it is able to transmit more and more energy produced with wind power. Our investments and modernisations also contribute to the continuity of supply and the safety of the power we provide. We take care of the maintenance of the infrastructure according to the life cycle of the equipment.

The electricity grid's power control system is at the heart of our operations. The volume of data transfer has grown and will continue to grow in the future. Today, information mainly travels through optical fibres instead of copper. Optical fibres in turn run from one substation to another. Well-functioning and sufficient data transfer enables the efficient and continuous supervision and operation of the system.

Because a well-functioning energy distribution and transmission network is critical for today's society, the company is always prepared for various crises by the construction and maintenance of its network infrastructure. Detailed instructions have been compiled beforehand for potential major outages.

24-hour capability requirements of the network code were met

EPV is one of the significant network users defined by the Finnish transmission system operator Fingrid and is subject to the EU Network Code for Emergency and Restoration (NC ER). This code sets a 24-hour capability requirement for all substations that transmit electricity from generating plants of over 30 megawatts (MW) to the grid. This is to ensure a controlled restoration of the power system in the event of a major national disturbance.

EPV meets the requirements of the NC ER for substations in its network that Fingrid has identified as significant.





UN goals

FPV contributes to the promotion of several of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Agenda 2030 sets out 17 goals, nine of which we are actively working towards:

- Affordable and clean energy;
- · Industry, innovation and infrastructure;
- Climate action;
- Gender equality;
- Decent work and economic growth;
- Responsible consumption and production;
- · Life on land;
- Peace, justice, and strong institutions
- Partnerships for the goals.

We divided the goals into main goals and other goals. The main goals are central to EPV's activities and strategy. EPV's main goals are the first three. The other goals are important to EPV's operations and core values within our sustainable business activities. The main goals are presented on this page. You can read more about the other goals on our website.



GOAL 7: To ensure affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.

We produce competitive and clean energy for society and our owners. Our investments will improve electricity generation, its efficiency, electricity storage and the transition from fossil fuels to renewable ones. We are one of the pioneers in the Finnish market. We aim to produce 100 per cent emission-free electricity by 2030. New electricity is the key enabler on the road to a new zero-emission world. This idea is highlighted in EPV's New Electricity Revolution® strategy.



GOAL 9:

To build sustainable infrastructure and promote sustainable industry and innovation.

EPV builds and develops sustainable energy solutions that are vital for society. Our forms of production enable responsible energy consumption and sustainable industry. We encourage our staff and partners to innovate and propose new solutions for the future energy market.



GOAL 13: To take urgent action against climate change and its impacts.

Our key objective is to enable a green energy transition. Through zero-emission energy production and continuous innovation, we reduce our impact on the climate.

We produce eco-friendly electricity for industry and our shareholders, while ensuring safe and reliable power generation for the future.



We aim to produce 100% emission-free electricity by 2030

CSRD

For the first time, EPV Energy reports its sustainability figures in line with the CSRD. The historical figures in the tables only show the company's previously reported figures.

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Our personnel					
Our entire personnel	157				
Number of staff, regular	152				
Men	116	77%	92 persons, ca. 78%	89 persons, ca. 78%	80 persons, ca. 75%
Women	36	23%	27 persons, ca. 22%	25 persons, ca. 22%	26 persons, ca. 25%
Number of staff, temporary	1				
Men	0				
Women	1				
Number of staff, part-time	6				
Men	1				
Women	5				
Zero-hour employees, number	4				
Average age of staff, years	45	45	approx. 45	46	45
under 30 years	12				
30-50 years	89				
over 50 years	56				
Persons with disabilities (%)	0				

Employee's home region						
Ostrobothnia	79					
South Ostrobothnia	39					
Uusimaa	6					
Lapland	27					
Other	6					

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019				
Staff turnover									
Group employees on average	155	122	118	114	106				
Average length of service, years	14	14	approx. 13	approx. 11	approx. 14				
New employees	17								
Men	12								
Women	5								
Parental leave	8								
Men	4								
Women	4								
Income turnover	12.10%								
Number of employees who have left	6								
Exit turnover	3.80%								
Number of retirees	2								
Average age of retirees	64								

Top management			
Board of Directors			
Men, number	14		
Men, %	93		
Women, number	1		
Women, %	7		
Management Team			
Men, number	5		
Men, %	83		
Women, number	1		
Women, %	17		

CSRD

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Training					
Training days (8h)/person	440				
Total training hours	3,205				
White-collar workers	376				
Men	304				
Women	72				
Employees	1,923				
Men	1,822				
Women	101				

Equality			
Reports of discrimination	0		
Whistleblower reports	0		
Amount of fines (Social)	0		

Corruption						
Corruption or bribery incidents	0					
Fines for corruption or bribery	0					
Incidents of corruption or bribery against own staff	0					
Business partner contracts terminated due to corruption or bribery	0					

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Safety at work					
Hours of work EPV	255,088				
Hours of work, contractors	278,347				
Accident frequency rate EPV	0	0	4.34	9.19	??
Accident frequency rate EPV + contractors	7.50	10.84	15.81	10.44	8.59
Accident frequency rate, contractors	14.37				
Number of accidents, EPV	0				
Number of days of absence	0				
Number of fatal accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Frequency of working days lost	0				
Frequency of occupational diseases	0				
Accidents to contractors	4				
Number of audits performed	4				
Internal audits	10	12	9	11	9
External audits	2	2	2	2	2



CSRD

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
1.7%				
0%				
0%				
3.9%				
51.2%				
3.9%				
	1.7% 0% 0% 3.9% 51.2%	1.7% 0% 0% 3.9% 51.2%	1.7% 0% 0% 3.9% 51.2%	1.7% 0% 0% 3.9% 51.2%

Renewable energy sources					
Renewable energy sources (biomass, biogas, hydrogen)	5.4%				
Electricity, heat, steam from renewable sources, purchased or otherwise acquired	0%				
Energy sources without fuel (wind, water, solar)	33.8%				

Electricity consumed (MWh)			
Non-renewable energy sources			
Coal or coal-based	34.0%		
Crude oil and other petroleum products	0%		
Liquefied natural gas	0%		
Other non-renewable energy sources	7%		
Nuclear power	0%		
Electricity, heat, steam from non-renewable sources, purchased or otherwise acquired	0%		

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Electricity consumed (MWh)					
Renewable energy sources					
Renewable energy sources (biomass, biogas, hydrogen)	59%				
Electricity, heat, steam from renewable sources, purchased or otherwise acquired	0%				
Energy sources without fuel (wind, water, solar)	0%				

GHG emissions (kt)										
Scope 1	329.4									
Scope 2	0.0065									
Scope 3	0.881									

CO2 emissions					
CO2 emissions, g/kWh	69.5	118	144	135	152

Nitrogen, sulphur and particulate emissions from electricity	purchased t	through EPV	Energy's ge	eneration sh	ares
Nitrogen oxide emissions, mg/kWh	49.0	105.6	131.1	120.0	135.5
Sulphur dioxide emissions, mg/kWh	26.9	75.7	88.4	88.7	97.1
Particle emissions, mg/kWh	1.2	4.1	7.7	3.8	4.7



EU taxonomy

The EU taxonomy was first published in 2020, with additional criteria for nuclear and gas added in 2022. The EU taxonomy aims to create a common classification system to define when economic activity can be considered sustainable. Its aim is to promote sustainable investments to achieve the objectives of the European Green Development Agenda. The taxonomy obliges non-financial corporations to report their taxonomy-eligible and taxonomy-compliant turnover, capital expenditure and operating expenditure.

In 2023, EPV estimates that the majority of the turnover, capital expenditure and operating expenditure from EPV's operations will be taxonomy-eligible and meet the technical criteria set out in the Delegated Regulation on climate change mitigation (Commission Delegated Regulation [EU] 2021/2139) and the complementary Delegated Regulation on nuclear power and natural gas (Commission Delegated Regulation [EU] 2022/1214). EPV focuses on activities that mitigate climate change.

EPV has identified the following main taxonomy-eligible activities in the Delegated Regulation on climate:

- 4.3. Electricity generation from wind power 4.5 Electricity generation from hydropower
- 4.9 Transmission and distribution of electricity
- 4.20 Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy
- 4.28 Electricity generation from nuclear energy in existing plants

For all taxonomy-eligible activities, see the tables on turnover, capital expenditure and operating expenses for key performance indicators on page 71-73.

Assessment of taxonomy eligibility and taxonomy compliance

The assessment of taxonomy eligibility and taxonomy compliance was carried out as a Group-wide project, analysing the Group's entire production portfolio. The taxonomy covers the same activities as EPV's other financial reporting.

To be reportable, economic activities must meet the technical criteria of the Delegated Regulation on climate (EU 2021/2139). In addition, activities may be taxonomy-compliant if they contribute significantly to at least one environmental objective, do not cause significant harm to other environmental objectives and comply with minimum ethical labour and human rights standards. Compliance with ethical labour and human rights principles has been assessed at Group level, while environmental objectives and the absence of significant harm to other environmental objectives have been assessed separately for each economic activity.

All EPV's taxonomy-eligible economic activities considered have been assessed against the criteria of significant contributions to climate change mitigation. Some actions may also contribute to climate change adaptation, but to avoid double reporting, all actions are reported in the same way.

The main taxonomic activity – cogeneration of heat/cooling and power using bioenergy – leads to verifiable greenhouse gas emission savings of at least 80% compared to saving methods involving greenhouse gas emissions and fossil fuel benchmarks as defined in Annex VI of Directive (EU) 2018/2001. Hydropower and nuclear power producers have verified their taxonomy, as EPV has no operational decision–making power in relation to these forms of energy production. By default, wind power contributes to the objective.

Electricity distribution and transmission are assessed to be taxonomy compliant, as more than 67 per cent of the new generation capacity in the system will remain below the 100 gC02e/kWh threshold, measured on a life-cycle basis and according to electricity generation criteria, over a rolling five-year period. In addition, total emissions from the networks are below 100 gC02e/kWh.

Do no significant harm

Adapting to climate change

The physical climate risk assessment required in Appendix A used two IPCC climate scenarios: RCP1: 1-1.9C and RCP4: 3-7C. The scenarios used provide a good knowledge base and differ widely, highlighting the differences between them and throwing the risks into relief. EPV has a stable and diversified production portfolio with low climate risks. The main risks are forest fires, which obviously threaten forestry, and changes in the temperature of large water bodies, which may affect the cooling and efficiency of power plants in the long term.

Sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems

International legislation guides the requirement relating to both water resources and biodiversity which states that no significant harm shall be caused to other environmental objectives. International legislation obviously influences national legislation, which in turn influences EPV's activities. EPV complies with the valid permit conditions set by competent authorities. These conditions meet the requirements for both water resources and biodiversity. Compliance is monitored through audits, actions by competent authorities and official standards.

Transition to a circular economy

EPV meets this requirement through contracts entered into with suppliers and contractors. EPV takes the sustainability and recyclability of resources into account before new investments are decided on, as it is a core value for EPV.

Pollution prevention and control

Compliance is ensured through national laws and checks by competent authorities. The best available technology is used in all the power plants which comply with the relevant legislation. Environmental management systems require regular audits, which ensures annual monitoring.



Minimum safeguards

The EPV Code of Ethics describes our commitment to respecting human rights. Our Code of Ethics includes commitments under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. In the Code of Conduct for our suppliers, we require our value chain to work towards these goals as well.

Accounting principles

This is the first time that EPV is reporting under the EU taxonomy for sustainable activities.

The Group's reporting under the EU taxonomy is based on its consolidated financial statements, which have been audited in accordance with FAS. Turnover is based on EPV Energy Ltd's ownership in the subsidiaries and holding companies. The financial information is allocated in a taxonomy-appropriate and taxonomy-compatible way according to production. CCM 4.20 financial data in Table A.1. are based on non-fossil production. Operating costs include the running costs of all production facilities and renting expenses. CCM 4.20 operating costs are broken down into A.1 and A.2 depending on the object of the operating cost. Where operating expenditure is allocated to the activity as a whole, the operating expenditure is allocated on the

basis of the weighted value of non-fossil production. Capital expenditure includes capitalised investments and intangible assets. The largest capital expenditure in 2023 was related to wind power, electricity transmission and distribution, and cogeneration of heat/cooling and power using bioenergy. In 2023, the largest capitalised investment was related to the construction of a single wind farm (CCM 4.3). CCM 4.20 capital expenditure has been allocated to A.1 and A.2 depending on the object of the capital expenditure. Where capital expenditure is allocated to the activities as a whole, the operating costs are allocated on the basis of the weighted value of non-fossil production.

Nuclear and gas forms 4 and 5:

The EU taxonomy also requires reporting of non-taxonomy-compliant financial data relating to nuclear power and fossil gases. EPV's data relating to nuclear power and fossil gases are taxonomy-aligned and taxonomy-eligible, and are reported in Forms 1-3. Forms 4 and 5 are therefore not applicable to EPV's activities and have not been reported.



Turnover EUR 1,000					Criteri	a for signif	icant conti	ribution			"No	significan	t harm" cri	teria					
Economic activities	Code	Turnover (MEUR)	Turnover share, 2023 (%)	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Minimum safeguards	Share of taxonomy-compliant (A.1) or taxonomy-eligible (A.2) activities in turnover, 2022	Category enabling activities	Category transitional activities
A. TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES																			
A.1 Environmentally sustainable (tax	onomy-alig	ned) activ	ities																
Forest management	CCM 1.3	0.0	0%	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		
Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1	0.0	0%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		
Electricity generation from wind power	CCM 4.3	56.2	12%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Е	
Electricity generation from hydropower	CCM 4.5	52.9	16%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	-		
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9	29.1	6%	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	-	E	
Storage of electricty	CCM 4.10	0.0	0%	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-	E	
Storage of hydrogen	CCM 4.12	0.0	0%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	-	E	
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	97.4	21%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		
Construction and safe operation of new nuclear power plants, for the generation of electricity	CCM 4.27	5.1	1%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		Т
Electricity generation from nuclear energy in existing installations	CCM 4.28	85.9	19%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	-		Т
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from fossil gaseous fuels	CCM 4.30	7.2	2%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-		Т
Turnover from environmentally sustainable (taxonomy-aligned) activities (A.1)		333.8	78%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-		
Of which enabling activities		85.3	24%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	-	Е	
Of which transitional activities		98.2	28%	100%						Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		Т
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not enviro	nmentally	sustainable	e (non-taxo	nomy-align	ned) activit	ies													
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	62.9	14%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%								0		
Turnover from taxonomy-eligible but not env sustainable (non-taxonomy-aligned) activitie		62.9	14%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%								%		
A. Turnover from taxonomy-eligible activities	s (A.1+A.2)	396.7	87%	100%	%	%	%	%	%										

B. NON-TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

TOTAL	455.7	100%
Turnover from non-taxonomy-eligible activities	59.0	13%



CapEx, MEUR					Criteri	a for signif	icant conti	ibution			"Do n	o significa	nt harm" cı	iteria					
Economic activities	Code	Capital expenditure (MEUR)	Share of capital expenditure, 2023 (%)	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Minimum safeguards	Share of taxonomy-compliant (A.I) or taxonomy-eligible (A.2) activities in capital expenditure, 2022	Category enabling activities	Category transitional activities
A. TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES																			
A.1 Environmentally sustainable (tax	onomy-alig	ned) activi	ities																
Forest management	CCM 1.3	0.2	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	-		
Electricity generation from photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	-		
Electricity generation from wind power	CCM 4.3	104.1	82%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-	E	
Electricity generation from hydropower	CCM 4.5	0.0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-		
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9	11.0	9%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	-	E	
Storage of electricty	CCM 4.10	0.1	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	-	E	
Storage of hydrogen	CCM 4.12	0.0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	-	E	
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	10,5	8	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Y	-		
Construction and safe operation of new nuclear power plants, for the generation of electricity	CCM 4.27	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	-		Т
Electricity generation from nuclear energy in existing installations	CCM 4.28	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		Т
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/ cooling and power from fossil gaseous fuels	CCM 4.30	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Y	-		Т
Capital expenditure on environmentally sustainable (taxonomy-compliant) activities (A.1)		125.9	99%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		
Of which enabling activities		115.1	90%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	%	Е	
Of which transitional activities		0	0	100%						Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	%		Т
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not enviro	nmentally	sustainable	e (non-taxo	nomy-align	ned) activi	ties													
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	1.0	1%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%								%		
Capital expenditure on taxonomy-eligible but environmentally sustainable (non-taxonomy-activities (A.2)	not aligned)	1.0	1%	100%	%	%	%	%	%								%		
A. Capital expenditure on taxonomy-eligible a (A.1+A.2)	activities	127.1	100%	100%	%	%	%	%	%										

B. NON-TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

TOTAL	127.6	100%
Capital expenditure on non- taxonomy-eligible activities	0.5	0%



OpEx, MEUR					Criteri	a for signif	icant contr	ibution			"Do n	no significa	nt harm" c	riteria					
Economic activities	Code	Operating expenses (MEUR)	Share of operating expenses, 2023 (%)	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Climate change mitigation	Climate change adaptation	Water	Pollution prevention	Circular economy	Biodiversity	Minimum safeguards	Share of taxonomy-compliant (A.1) or taxonomy-eligible (A.2) activities in operating expenses, 2022	Category enabling activities	Category transitional activities
A. TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES																			
A.1 Environmentally sustainable (tax	onomy-com	pliant) act	tivities																
Forest management	CCM 1.3	0.1	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		
Electricity generation from photovoltaic technology	CCM 4.1	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	-		
Electricity generation from wind power	CCM 4.3	11.8	40%	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	-	E	
Electricity generation from hydropower	CCM 4.5	0.0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		
Transmission and distribution of electricity	CCM 4.9	3.3	11%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	E	
Storage of electricty	CCM 4.10	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	-	E	
Storage of hydrogen	CCM 4.12	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	-	E	
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	6.7	22%	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	-		
Construction and safe operation of new nuclear power plants, for the generation of electricity	CCM 4.27	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		Т
Electricity generation from nuclear energy in existing installations	CCM 4.28	0.0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	-		Т
High-efficiency cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from fossil gaseous fuels	CCM 4.30	0.0	0	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	-		Т
Operating expenses on environmentally sustainable (taxonomy-aligned) activities (A.1)		21.9	74%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-		
Of which enabling activities		15.1	51%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-	Е	
Of which transitional activities		0.0	0	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	-		Т
A.2 Taxonomy-eligible but not enviro	onmentally s	ustainable	e (non-taxo	onomy-aligr	ned) activi	ties													
Cogeneration of heat/cooling and power from bioenergy	CCM 4.20	4.5	15%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%								-		
Operating expenses on taxonomy-eligible bu environmentally sustainable (non-taxonomy- activities (A.2)		4.5	15%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%								-		
A. Operating expenses on taxonomy-eligible (A.1+A.2)	activities	26.4	89%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%										

B. NON-TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

TOTAL	29.8	100 %
Operating expenses on non- taxonomy-eligible activities	3.4	11%



NUCLEAR ENERGY RELATED ACTIVITIES

1.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to research, development, demonstration and deployment of innovative electricity generation facilities that produce energy from nuclear processes with minimal waste from the fuel cycle.	No
2.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction and safe operation of new nuclear installations to produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades, using best available technologies.	Yes
3.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production from nuclear energy, as well as their safety upgrades.	Yes

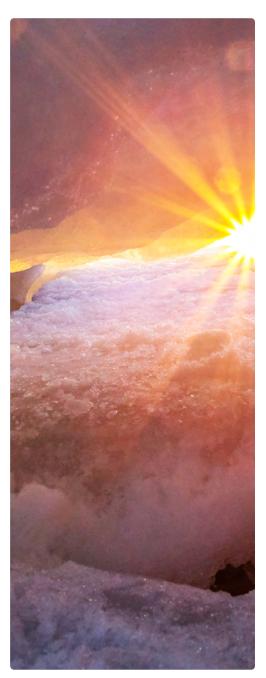
FOSSIL GAS RELATED ACTIVITIES

4.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels.	No
5.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment, and operation of combined heat/cool and power generation facilities using fossil gaseous fuels.	Yes
6.	The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment and operation of heat generation facilities that produce heat/cool using fossil gaseous fuels.	No

		Amount and proportion								
	TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (DENOMINATOR) Turnover (MEUR)	Climate change mitigation + climate change adaptation		Climate char	nge mitigation	Climate change adaptation				
		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%			
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%			
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	5.1	1%	5.1	1%	0	0%			
3.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	85.9	19%	85.9	19%	0	0%			
4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%			
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	7.2	2%	7.2	2%	0	0%			
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%			
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy- aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the denominator of the applicable KPI	235.6	50%	235.6	50%	0	0%			
8.	Total applicable KPI	333.8	73%	333.8	73%	0	0%			

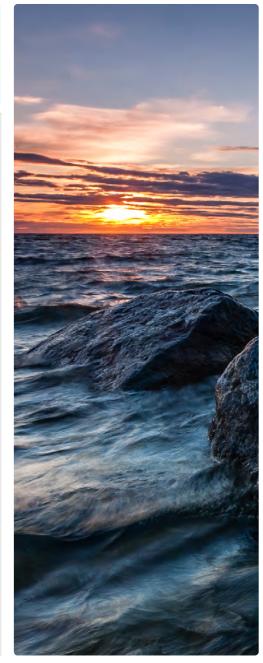
	TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (DENOMINATOR) CAPEX (MEUR)	Amount and proportion						
		+ climat	Climate change mitigation + climate change adaptation		Climate change mitigation		Climate change adaptation	
		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
3.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy-aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the numerator of the applicable KPI	125.9	99%	125.9	99%	0	0%	
8.	Total amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the applicable KPI	125.9	99%	125.9	99%	0	0%	





	TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (DENOMINATOR) OPEX (MEUR)	Amount and proportion							
		+ climat	Climate change mitigation + climate change adaptation		Climate change mitigation		Climate change adaptation		
		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%		
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
3.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy-aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the numerator of the applicable KPI	21.9	74%	21.9	74%	0	0%		
8.	Total amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the applicable KPI	21.9	74%	21.9	74%	0	0%		

	TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (NUMERATOR) Turnover (MEUR)	Amount and proportion						
		Climate change mitigation + climate change adaptation		Climate change mitigation		Climate change adaptation		
		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	5.1	2%	5.1	2%	0	0%	
3.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	85.9	26%	85.9	26%	0	0%	
4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	7.2	2%	7.2	2%	0	0%	
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the denominator of the applicable KPI	235.6	71%	235,6	71%	0	0%	
8.	Total amount and proportion of taxonomy eligible but not taxonomy- aligned economic activities in the denominator of the applicable KPI	333.8	100%	333.8	100%	0	0%	





		Amount and proportion							
	TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (NUMERATOR) CAPEX (MEUR)	+ climat	Climate change mitigation + climate change adaptation		Climate change mitigation		Climate change adaptation		
		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%		
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
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4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the numerator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%		
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy-aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the numerator of the applicable KPI	125.9	100%	125.9	100%	0	0%		
8.	Total amount and proportion of taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the numerator of the applicable KPI	125.9	100%	125.9	100%	0	0%		

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		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	
1.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.26 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
2.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.27 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
3.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.28 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
4.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.29 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
5.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.30 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
6.	Amount and proportion of taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activity referred to in Section 4.31 of Annexes I and II to Delegated Regulation 2021/2139 in the denominator of the applicable KPI	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
7.	Amount and proportion of other taxonomy-eligible but not taxonomy-aligned economic activities not referred to in rows 1 to 6 above in the denominator of the applicable KPI	21.9	100%	21.9	100%	0	0%	
8.	Total amount and proportion of taxonomy eligible but not taxonomy- aligned economic activities in the denominator of the applicable KPI	21.9	100%	21.9	100%	0	0%	

