

Environmental Mission Statement

Target

The German Adhesives Manufacturers organised in Industrieverband Klebstoffe e.V. (German Adhesives Association) develop and sell products and systems which give a special benefit to the customer. This strategy includes a commitment to the constant improvement of safety and environmental aspects as well as the safety in the work place. The German Adhesives Manufactures encourage their suppliers and customers to reach for the same goals.

Responsibility

The German Adhesives Industry declares its support for the Charter of Sustainable Development and the principles of the Responsible Care program as promoted by the Chemical Industry Federations.

Dialogue

The members of Industrieverband Klebstoffe e.V. support and maintain an intensive internal and external communication process informing on issues relating to Environmental, Health and Safety protection. Information is made available in an open manner, ensuring that members are quickly and efficiently up to date with issues that affect them or their customers.

Product stewardship

The German Adhesives Industry meets its obligation to inform customers and users about the properties of their products in order to prevent health risks and harm to the environment when a product is used to its purpose and handling instructions.

Work Safety and Environment

Legal directives and official regulations with respect to production, labelling and transportation of adhesives are regarded as a minimum standard.

Production and Products – Impact on Resources

Waste avoidance and waste material or energy recycling will have priority over landfilling or incineration. The objective of reducing total use of limited resources throughout the product life-cycle will be taken into account in the development of new products or production processes. The German Adhesives Industry supports the principles of Responsible Business Practices and fosters Sustainable Development Initiatives to work towards a long-term value creation for the industry and its stakeholders by incorporating the entire supply chain, local communities and the natural environment.

