

GREENHOUSE GAS VERIFICATION STATEMENT

61265599_KBC_CO2footprint

KBC GROUP

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Period

1/10/2022 - 30/09/2023

Verification procedure

The verification was performed by Vinçotte in accordance with ISO14064-3 meeting the requirements of the WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol.

Verified amount

55.377 ton CO₂-eq

Declaration of independence

The verification was carried out by Vinçotte as an independent third party.

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User of the GHG-assertion

Internal and external stakeholders, the general public

Level of assurance

Reasonable assurance

Objectives, scope and criteria:

Vinçotte performed on behalf of KBC Group an independent reasonable assurance of the anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions between 1/10/2022 - 30/09/2023. The system boundaries for the greenhouse gas emissions are aligned with the financial consolidation scope.

The entities within the system boundaries are located in Belgium, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia and Bulgaria. The entities that were excluded do not amount to more than 1% of the balance sheet total for KBC Group.

The activities and processes taken into account for the greenhouse gas inventory are offices, data centers, transport, travel, waste generation and water consumption.

The greenhouse gas inventory includes scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions.

- Scope 1 emissions: direct energy consumption, refrigerant gasses and transport of company owned vehicles;
- Scope 2 emissions: electricity consumption and other indirect energy consumption (such as district heating) and emissions from own company electric vehicles car fleet;;
- Scope 3 emissions: indirect emissions form paper and water consumption (category 1), waste generates in operations (category 5), business travel (category 6) and employee commuting (category 7)..

The greenhouse gasses included were: CO₂, N₂O and CH₄ and refrigerant gasses.

The data and information for the greenhouse gas inventory were mostly based on documented information received from local responsables. Extrapolations were performed for the rest of the world entities. These are entities outside of the core countries of KBC. The extrapolations account for 2.09 % of the total greenhouse gas emissions.

The verification consisted of an independent review of the primary data, the emission factors and the greenhouse gas calculations. The goal was to verify if the data and the results of the greenhouse gas calculations were complete, reliable, transparant accurate and free of material errors or emissions.

The verification was performed using a risk-based approach. Primary data which are managed by a certified ISO14001 or ISO50001 management system were not re-verified. For all other data a verification was performed taking into account materiality.



Conclusion

Vinçotte has verified the greenhouse gas assertion of KBC Group of 55.377 ton of CO₂-eq. in 2023 to a level of reasonable assurance.

The greenhouse gas inventory was prepared according to the requirements of the WRI/WBCSD Greenhouse Gas protocol.

It is the conclusion of Vinçotte that the greenhouse gas emissions of KBC Group for the period 1/10/2022 - 30/09/2023 are fairly stated.

On behalf of Vinçotte,
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