### Corticeira Amorim S.G.P.S., S.A.

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# Sustainable Finance Allocation and Impact Report 2023



AMORIM

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### 1. Corticeira Amorim

Founded in 1870, Corticeira Amorim stands out as one of the most innovative and entrepreneurial multinationals of Portuguese origin and a world leader in cork processing, having recognised the vast potential of this 100% natural raw material early on and positioning cork as a material of choice in an increasingly open, informed and prosperous society. Operating under the maxim "not just one market, not just one customer, not just one currency, not just one product", Corticeira Amorim has continuously expanded its portfolio, entering new markets and developing innovative products. With a strong commitment to sustainability, which manifests itself in both positive climate regulation and the development of value-added, nature-based solutions, the Company serves challenging and technological industries, including the aerospace, automotive, construction, sports, energy, interior design, and wine and spirits sectors. Under the management of the fourth generation of the Amorim family, which preserves values such as pride, ambition, initiative, sobriety and attitude, the Company invests significant sums in research, development and innovation (R&D+I), every year, including an investment in R&D+I of 11.3 million euros this year. In 2023, Corticeira Amorim recorded consolidated sales of 985.5 million euros, 93.2% of which were made internationally.

### 1.1. Business model

The business model implemented is founded on an integrated and vertical process that uses circular economy principles in order to minimise waste crated. Key to operations, cork is obtained from a network of producers with whom the Company establishes medium- and long-term partnerships, promoting good forest management practices and thereby maximising the ecosystem services of the cork oak forests, namely the continuous production of good quality cork.

### 1.2. Business Units

The Company has a broad portfolio of cork-based products for different markets and applications and is structured into five BUs: Amorim Florestal, Amorim Cork, Amorim Cork Flooring, Amorim Cork Composites and Amorim Cork Insulation.

#### \*Sales of the BU.

### **Amorim Florestal**



Responsible for overall and integrated management of the company's value chain, it plays a key role in promoting synergies between the various business units to ensure optimisation of the flow and quality of cork

Markets: Agroforestry and cork preparation

Main references: 1,150,000 m<sup>2</sup> of cork yard; 8,181 hectares of forest estates under management

Sales\*: €234.0 M

Amorim Cork



World leader in the production and supply of cork stoppers, this BU has its own distribution network, which places it in a unique position to provide the ideal stopper for any wine or spirits segment and type, anywhere in the world

Markets: Still and sparkling wines, spirits, beer and cider

Main references: 5,600,000,000 stoppers sold/year

Sales\*: €759.4 M

### **Amorim Cork Flooring**



Operating in more than 60 countries, it offers a range of high-quality and versatile flooring solutions with comfort and sustainability credentials, which promote higher quality of life, through the provision of greater acoustic and thermal insulation

Markets: Floor & wall coverings

Main references: 10,000,000 m<sup>2</sup> installed capacity in floor & wall coverings/year

Sales\*: €92.2 M

### Amorim Cork Composites



Innovation is the driving force of this BU that proposes to redesign the world in a sustainable manner, reusing and reinventing materials with applications in a wide array of different areas

Markets: Aerospace, mobility, maritime, energy, sealing, construction, sports and recreational surfaces, flooring, home, office and leisure goods, toys and footwear

Main references: 195,440 blocks and cylinders produced/year

Sales\*: €119.8 M

### **Amorim** Cork Insulation



Dedicated to the production of 100% natural insulation materials that offer exceptional technical performance, products that combine virtually unlimited durability, low embodied energy, and an A+ indoor air quality rating with excellent simultaneous thermal, acoustic and anti-vibration insulation properties

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \label{eq:markets: Sustainable construction / insulation, interior and exterior design \end{tabular}$ 

Main references:  $60,000 \text{ m}^3$  installed capacity in insulation cork/year

Sales\*: €18.2 M

### 1.3. World presence

Headquartered in Portugal, Corticeira Amorim operates on five continents, with a global presence through various operations. These include not only industrial activities, such as raw material processing and agroforestry management, but also product distribution and strategic joint ventures. The Company also has an extensive network of market agents, which plays a crucial role in extending its global reach. The Company's shares are listed on Euronext Lisbon.

Portuguese multinational, with its head office in Mozelos, Santa Maria da Feira:

- $\bullet {\textcircled{}{}{\textcircled{}{\textcircled{}}{985.5}}} M \, {\hbox{consolidated sales}}$
- •28 countries where operating
- 3 agroforestry units
- •38 production units
- •61 distribution units
- •7 joint ventures
- •30,000 customers
- •3,565 suppliers
- •4,958 workers

\*Sales of the BU.

# 2. Definition of strategy

### 2.1. Policies adopted to manage material sustainability matters

Corticeira Amorim is governed by a solid and cohesive set of internal regulations, comprising statutes, codes, regulations and policies, which enable its stakeholder's expectations to be aligned, and thereby foster balanced and prudent management, reinforce transparency and demonstrate the Company's commitments to developing its business activity in line with sustainable development.

Corticeira Amorim seeks to identify and integrate issues that may have an impact on governance of sustainability, such as regulation or stakeholder perceptions, and respond to the challenges that arise in the markets in which it operates.

The General Sustainability Policy formalises the following commitments:

• Act in full compliance with the laws and regulations in force in the regions where it operates, and to collaborate with the authorities as far as possible;

• Integrate sustainability into the decision-making process;

• Respect employees, customers, suppliers, shareholders and other stakeholders that are important to the sustainability of Corticeira Amorim;

• Manage risks and opportunities associated with the Organisation's activities, so as to avoid negative impacts on people and the environment;

• Conduct business according to principles of trust, transparency and ethics, encouraging communication channels to inform, involve and maintain an ongoing dialogue with stakeholders;

• Build and foster a framework of respect for the fundamental values of Human Rights (as proclaimed by the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights) and Labour Rights (as proclaimed by the ILO); • Encourage free trade, striving to prioritise responsible and sustainable relationships with its suppliers and having common commitments to sustainable development;

• Repay the support of the communities where it operates, contributing to the progress, economic development and well-being of those communities, encouraging SMEs and future local entrepreneurs to achieve sustainable results and thus boost national entrepreneurship.

Corticeira Amorim regularly notifies employees of updates to this set of guidelines and promotes their dissemination and adoption throughout the Organisation

Corporate regulation and policies, in particular the General Sustainability Policy available at: www.amorim.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/corporateregulation-and-policies/

### 2.2. Mission, vision and values

By promoting the cyclical extraction of cork, without damaging the trees, Corticeira Amorim contributes to making the cork oak forest a viable, natural and renewable resource, delivering numerous economic, environmental and social benefits.

The Company's mission, vision and values reflect its belief in the uniqueness of cork as a natural material, its ambition for success and its commitment to long-term sustainability. The purpose is simple: to combine knowledge, technology and innovation with this age-old material and promote an activity with a sustainable balance, generating added value for all stakeholders and the planet.

These guidelines direct the strategic priorities for sustainable development, which incorporate economic, environmental and social concerns and define a clear roadmap for making strategic, operational and investment decisions, both now and in the future.

Mission: Add value to cork, in an ethical, competitive, distinctive and innovative way that is in perfect harmony with nature.

**Vision:** Be a sustainable company, providing suitable value for the capital invested while promoting social equity diversity integration and environmental safeguards, with differentiating factors at product and service level.

### Values:

Pride: We take pride in the tradition of our business, in our Company history and in the knowledge that we have accumulated in the many years of work of different generations. We are proud to work with a raw material that comes from the earth, has an identity, and combines tradition, modernity and innovation, respecting the principle of equal treatment and opportunities for all employees.

Ambition: We take pleasure in what we do, we drive ourselves to do more and better, developing new customers, new markets and new applications for cork.

Initiative: We find solutions for commitments and challenges, responding quickly, effectively and positively to different circumstances and contexts, always focused on the development of the business and the industry, thereby also promoting the interests of our employees and other stakeholders.

Sobriety: We celebrate victories and commemorate successes internally, favouring discretion in our relationship with the outside world, never forgetting that we must always learn more and continuously do better.

Attitude: We are with the Company in the good times and bad times with our effort, commitment and availability, giving the best of us and always respecting employees, customers, suppliers, shareholders and other stakeholders relevant to the sustainability of Corticeira Amorim.

### 2.3. The role of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies

Corticeira Amorim's Board of Directors, which includes the CSO, is responsible for promoting ESG topics in the business, and approving the strategic objectives and initiatives and priority actions.

The CECA is responsible for overseeing the governance of sustainability issues and integrating ESG issues into the business. At least twice a year, the CECA meets to analyse the approach to ESG topics, the definition of targets, the performance and the review of the reporting.

The Board of Directors has set up the CESG, a permanent specialised internal committee, which is responsible for providing advice, monitoring, supervision and strategic guidance to Corticeira Amorim in the field of corporate governance, ethics and environmental and social pillars. The committee's attributions have been established in the respective Regulations. The CESG is chaired by an independent non-executive member of the Board of Directors and is mainly composed of members of the Company's corporate bodies, including the CSO, and includes the HCS as a permanent guest.

The management of ESG issues is led by the CSO and coordinated by the HCS, together with the other support divisions, including Human Resources, Procurement and Energy, Shipping Logistics, Compliance, Tax, Risk Management, Information Technology and Systems, Consolidation and Reporting, Sustainability and Corporate Governance. These support areas work together to ensure ESG activities are aligned and effective throughout the Company. Each BU has a sustainability officer who reports directly to the BU's CEO, who is responsible for implementing initiatives and actions, monitoring and reporting on performance.

The competences and knowledge of the members of the Board of Directors, CECA and CESG are described in Chapter B – Corporate Boards and Committees of the Corporate Governance Report.

All of Corticeira Amorim's workers are responsible for contributing to the achievement of the defined priorities, either through the defence and observance of the principles of good governance, also enshrined in the Company's Code of Business Ethics and Professional Conduct, or through direct functions in the areas of sustainability.

The Board of Directors is responsible for preparing and submitting to the General Shareholders' Meeting the financial statements, including the Sustainability Report. The General Shareholders' Meeting deliberates on these documents, including the Sustainability Report, which are approved as long as they receive a majority of favourable votes from the shareholders present or represented at the General Meeting.

Board of Directors' Regulations and ESG Committee Regulation available at: www.amorim.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/corporateregulation-and-policies/

### 2.4. Risk management and internal controls over sustainability reporting

Corticeira Amorim has an integrated multidisciplinary system aimed at identifying, assessing, prioritising, treating and monitoring risks. This internal control system covers risk management, compliance and internal auditing, and includes effective procedures for detecting and preventing irregularities. The system is continually improved, as a result of an internal analysis involving the Board of Directors, namely its CECA, the Risk Committee and the various support areas, such as Risk Management, Compliance and Organisational Development, Strategic Planning and Sustainability, while support is also received from specialised external consultants when necessary. The Internal Audit support division plays a crucial role in monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the controls implemented, as well as planning and carrying out risk-based audits and performing tests to assess effective management and risk prevention.

The Risk Committee is a permanent specialised internal committee, appointed by the Board of Directors, composed mainly of members of the governing bodies and chaired by an independent, non-executive director, who is responsible for advising the Board of Directors on monitoring risk management activities at Corticeira Amorim.

The Company has a catalogue of identified risks and defined mitigation measures, to minimise the probability of their occurrence and/or impact, as well as indicators or risk assessments for each risk, which act as monitoring instruments and enable changes or deviations to be anticipated.

Corticeira Amorim has defined the impact of a risk on the consolidated results as being a material risk. A substantive strategic or operational impact is determined in Corticeira Amorim's risk management process as one that produces an effect on consolidated results that exceeds five million euros.

Therefore, given the specificities of Corticeira Amorim's framework and business model - in particular: the development of an essentially stable business; (ii) the know-how and skills accumulated over 150 years of activity, continuously enhanced through innovation, development and training programmes; (iii) diversification in terms of products, currencies, markets, the vast portfolio of clients (iv) the effective management and monitoring of the business' critical factors by the Board of Directors and other functions related to the management of these factors; (v) the robust control systems implemented and (vi) the dual corporate supervision (CAU and Statutory Auditor) - it can be concluded that Corticeira Amorim's internal control system (comprising Risk Management, Compliance and Internal Control) is structured and sized appropriately for its activity.

The substantive impacts with strategic or operational effects on Corticeira Amorim's business activity are defined in the Risk Management Policy.

For more information on internal control and risk management, see Chapter C – Internal Organisation / III. Internal control and risk management of the Corporate Governance Report.

Risk Management Policy available at: www.amorim.com/en/investors/corporate-governance/corporateregulation-and-policies/

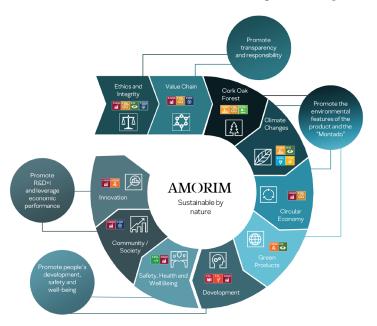
# 3. Sustainable by nature programme

In 2018, Corticeira Amorim aligned the Company's objectives with the United Nations SDGs and laid the foundations for the Sustainable by nature programme, which sets out the ambition to be met by 2030.

This programme is based on four fundamental pillars: promote transparency and responsibility; promote the environmental feature of the product and the "Montado"; promote people´s development, safety and well-being; promote R&D+I and leverage economic performance.

Currently, ten major objectives have been defined that guide the actions of the entire Organisation, focusing on ethics and integrity, the value chain, the cork oak forest, climate change, circular economy, green products, development, health, safety and well-being, community/society and innovation.

Corticeira Amorim promotes regular monitoring of the actions envisaged in the sustainability programme, which includes quantitative objectives, performance indicators and control procedures, which guarantee, with comparable levels of rigour and integrity, the reporting of its priorities and progress in these matters, and whose results are disclosed throughout this report.



**Ethics and integrity** 



Act in an appropriate and ethical way, with transparency and responsibility, stimulating competitiveness and the creation of long-term value.

- Integrate climate change measures;
- Protect the labour rights;
- Foster balanced and prudent management and sustainability;
- •Be transparent and accountable;
- Sustain economic growth.

Value chain



Reinforce responsible production and consumption, preferably selecting suppliers that adopt good ESG practices.

- Eradicate forced labour worldwide and ensure a global elimination on child labour;
- Promote sustainable management and efficient use of resources;
- Strengthen partnerships for sustainable development.

### Cork oak forest



Preserve the cork oak forest and ecosystem services by increasing knowledge, mobilizing resources and proposing initiatives.

- Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard cultural and natural heritage;
- Promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources;
- $\bullet$  Integrate the values of ecosystems and biodiversity.

### Climate change



to quality health conditions.

all workers:



Reduce the environmental impact of operations by adopting renewable, affordable and efficient solutions.

- Increase the use of renewable energy;
- Improve energy efficiency;
- Increase efficiency in water use;
- Reduce the negative environmental impacts.

Circular economy



Apply the principles of circular economy through the reduction of waste, extend the life of materials and regeneration of natural systems.

- Improve the efficiency of global resources, thereby achieving sustainable management;
- Substantially reduce the generation of waste

through reducing, recycling and reusing materials; • Manage use of chemicals in an environmentally

sound manner.

Community/society



Boost economic growth in a sustainable and inclusive manner, ensuring efficient production and decent work for all.

Ensure the safety of employees in the workplace and access

• Promote safe and secure work environments for

• Provide access to essential quality health services;

•Reduce the number of work-related accidents.

- Sustain economic growth;
- Strengthen the global partnership for sustainable development.

Innovation



**Green products** 



Maintain a proactive role in developing the already vast scope of application of cork, sustained by the innate properties of the material.

- Strengthen resilience and adaptability to climate-related risks;
- •Upgrade infrastructure and rehabilitate industries
- to make them sustainable; •Reduce the negative environmental impact.

Development



Promote personal and professional development for all.

- Provide training for all;
- Ensure equal access to opportunities;
- End all forms of discrimination.

Support and promote research, development and innovation and foster sustainable solutions.

- Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation;
  - •Enhance scientific research.

### 3.1. Quantitative targets for 2030 and progress (scope: Portugal perimeter)

Corticeira Amorim continues to develop and implement its Sustainable by nature programme, which currently sets out seven quantitative goals for 2030 and nine quantitative targets for the period 2021-2024.

The scope considered in these quantitative objectives corresponds to companies in Portugal that have the potential to produce a significant impact on the Sustainable by nature programme's priority areas and that cover the majority of Corticeira Amorim's operations. In terms of the financial perimeter, these companies represent: 65.0% of consolidated sales, 65.6% of workers and 60.5% of PUs.

The Sustainable by nature programme is not static. Every year a review is carried out which may lead to a readjustment of some of the objectives outlined or the introduction of new ones.

In 2023 there was a continued determination to achieve the quantitative objectives.

Zero discrimination

100% workers with training

100% controlled renewable electrical energy

Zero recordable work-related injuries

Zero impact in packaging

100% waste recovery rate

Zero carbon footprint (scope 1 and 2)



### 4. Awards and recognition

Each year, Corticeira Amorim strengthens its ESG policies and practices and expands its engagement and communication with its stakeholders. The entities that assess Corticeira Amorim recognise this evolution, considering the Company a leader in its sector and a model in terms of contributions to sustainability. Some of these organisations and the recognitions obtained are listed below (as of 31 December 2023).

Entity	Classification range	Corticeira Amorim's classification	Last updated
CDP Climate Change 2022 ( <u>www.cdp.net</u> )	Leadership (A-/A) Management (B-/B) Awareness (C-/C) Disclosure (D-/D)	Management B	December 2022
Ecovadis (www.ecovadis.com)	Platinum - top 1% (overall score between 78 and 100) Gold - top 5% (overall score between 70 and 77) Silver - top 25% (overall score between 59 and 69) Bronze - top 50% (overall score between 50 and 58)	Gold 72	February 2023
Sustainalytics ( <u>www.sustainalytics.</u> <u>com</u> ) <sup>1</sup>	Negligible (0-10) Low (10-20) Medium (20-30) High (30-40) Severe (40+)	Low risk 11.4	October 2023
MSCI (www.msci.com) <sup>2</sup>	Leader (AA/AAA) Average (BB/BBB/A) Laggard (CCC/B)	Leader AA	January 2023

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# 5. Voluntary commitments

Corticeira Amorim actively participates in discussion meetings with national and international entities on sustainable development of the geographical regions in which it operates. In various cases, the Company's representatives are members of the governing bodies of these initiatives and associations, collaborating in the promotion of their initiatives and generating significant and proactive results. Of the numerous associations, it is worth highlighting the following:

### Global Compact Network Portugal

Portuguese network of the UN Global Compact (UNGC), which gathers the initiative's participants based or operating in Portugal. Its work is to share knowledge and methodologies between projects, programmes and tools in order to contribute to furthering implementation of the Ten Principles and create opportunities for intersectoral initiatives to develop in action, defence and dissemination of the UN SDGs.

### **BCSD** Portugal

Business association, with broad sectorial representation in Portugal, which is part of the world network of the WBCSD - World Business Council for Sustainable Development, the largest international organisation working in the area of sustainable development.

### BRP – Business Roundtable Portugal

Association with representation of the largest Portuguese business groups, it has a single purpose: to accelerate Portugal's economic and social growth to ensure a fairer, more prosperous and more sustainable country.

### Smart Waste Portugal

Association whose objective is to contribute to the production and dissemination of knowledge in the area of waste; to stimulate initiatives that value cooperation between entities operating in the area of waste; promote and support activities and projects of its members that contribute to the pursuit of the association's objectives.

### <u>Forest WISE – Collaborative Laboratory for Integrated</u> <u>Forestry and Fire Management</u>

Association whose mission is to promote the integrated management of forests and fire, based on (joint) research and development activities, knowledge and technology transfer, acting as a link between industry, the academic world and the

Public Administration, with impacts on the forest and fire sectors and on society.

### Sustainable Wine Roundtable

Global and independent coalition that aims to establish a universal sustainability standard for wine.

### Associação Plataforma para a Construção Sustentável

A non-profit association involving a network of R&D institutions, municipalities and the significant business community in the Habitat sector, whose aim is to establish a specialisation in Sustainable Construction. It is also the managing body of the Sustainable Habitat Cluster. The Cluster has embraced the Sustainability topic as a dynamic and transversal factor for its strategic development, with the aim of contributing towards a true "Sustainable Habitat".

### IB-S (Institute of Science And Innovation for Bio-Sustainability)

Research unit at the University of Minho, dedicated to the sustainability of the built and natural environment.

### APCOR - Portuguese Cork Association

Business association in the cork sector that represents, promotes, disseminates and researches the Portuguese cork industry.

### AEM – Associação de Empresas Emitentes

The AEM's main mission is to represent and defend the collective interests of companies that issue securities admitted to trading on a domestic regulated market. With the creation of the AEM, the Portuguese institutional system now has a private organisation capable of promoting a competitive domestic capital market and, in particular, of monitoring, in an integrated and transversal way, the processes involved in preparing regulatory instruments that have a direct or indirect impact on the activity of listed companies. A common and informed voice for listed companies, the AEM plays a fundamental role in finding the most appropriate solutions for the proper development of the capital market and the Portuguese economic system through constructive dialogue with national and European public authorities and the public disclosure of their positions.

### <u>AEP - Associação Empresarial de Portugal, Chamber of</u> <u>Commerce and Industry</u>

The AEP's mission is to defend the interests of companies and offer services that boost their competitiveness. Its work with companies, through services designed to meet the needs identified by its technical teams or based on consultation with its members, is characterised by its diversity, multi-sectoral nature and national scope.

### <u>COTEC PORTUGAL - Associação Empresarial para</u> <u>a Inovação</u>

The purpose of COTEC PORTUGAL is to boost relations between all the entities involved in the National Innovation System, prioritise innovation policies and encourage and motivate companies to invest in research and development. Its activities include: promoting reflection on the impact of innovation processes on economic development; raising awareness among companies and encouraging them to invest in Research, Development and Innovation; promoting and encouraging links between centres of knowledge and the business community, particularly with regard to ensuring companies' human resources have the relevant qualifications; and leading the way in boosting relations between companies and public and private institutions involved in the National Innovation System.

### IPCG - Instituto Português de Corporate Governance

The IPCG's mission is to promote effective corporate governance in Portugal, foster transparency, responsibility and corporate ethics in order to maximise the creation of long-term value for all stakeholders, and increase corporate governance literacy across the various sectors in the Portuguese economy. The IPCG promotes a culture of responsibility and transparency, encouraging organisations to disclose their governance practices and financial and non-financial performance in a clear and accessible manner. It also develops and disseminates best practices, publicising relevant research and collaborating with experts to identify and promote effective governance practices. It works with legislators, regulators and associations in the various sectors to promote legislation and policies that improve transparency, accountability and corporate ethics.

### <u>ANPC - Associação Nacional de Proprietários Rurais,</u> <u>Gestão Cinegética e Biodiversidade</u>

The ANPC's mission is to defend, enhance, promote and represent, at national and international level, the interests of landowners, the production, management and sustainable exploitation of wild and natural resources, such as hunting and fishing, the protection and enhancement of the environment and natural and built heritage, and the conservation of nature and biodiversity, as well as the promotion and development of related tourism.

### Produtech - Production Technologies Association - Production Technologies Cluster

The aim of this association is to implement collective efficiency initiatives and strategies aimed at developing companies that produce production technologies, fostering their global competitiveness in a sustained manner, particularly in terms of internationalisation, innovation and expertise, and promoting, in a structured manner, the emergence of agglomeration economies, through co-operation and networking between companies, as well as between companies and other agents that are important for development in their respective sectors, namely enterprises, sectoral bodies, entities within the national scientific and technological system and other organisations in the main sectors using these technologies. It also promotes and manages the Production Technologies Centre.

### Passivhaus Portugal Association

The Passivhaus Portugal Association was created to implement and develop the Passivhaus concept in Portugal, with the following objectives: to disseminate (promote and develop) the Passive House concept in Portugal and contribute to energy independence and sustainability in Portugal. Passive House is a construction concept defining a high-performance standard that is energy efficient, healthy, comfortable, affordable and sustainable.

### <u>APFAC - Associação Portuguesa de Fabricantes de Argamassas</u> <u>e ETICS</u>

APFAC's main mission is to support and represent mortar and ETICS system manufacturers in Portugal, defending their interests and rights before public and private organisations. The association aims to promote the appropriate use of mortars and ETICS systems, championing their quality and safety. APFAC's mission also involves promoting training and education, helping to develop technical and scientific knowledge among professionals and users in the mortar and ETICS systems sector.

### <u> APQ - Associação Portuguesa para a Qualidade</u>

The purpose of the APQ is to promote and disseminate theoretical and practical knowledge in the field of Quality and Excellence in Portugal. The APQ carries out its activities either individually or in partnership with other entities, seeking to present innovative and stimulating solutions, creating value for its members and contributing to the sustained development of Portuguese society.

### Porto Climate Pact

Designed to serve everyone, with the ultimate goal of defending he global climate system, it subsists largely on the basis of membership among different entities operating in Porto.

### Charter of Principles of the Porto Protocol

International foundation, with hundreds of members spread throughout the wine value chain and around the world, whose mission is to build a network of change agents and viable solutions, with the aim of making the wine industry's response to the climate emergency more collaborative, faster and more robust.

### Charter of Principles of BCSD Portugal

An initiative promoted by BCSD Portugal that establishes the fundamental sustainability commitments that the subscribing companies voluntarily adopt for themselves and which they seek to extend to their value chain, within their sphere of influence.

### ACT4NATURE PORTUGAL

Business initiative promoted by BCSD Portugal in which participating companies assume individual and joint commitments for the conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services.

### 50 Sustainability & Climate Leaders

Project promoted by the TBM Media Group, with content distributed by the Bloomberg group, that aims to promote the exchange of ideas on how to achieve greater sustainability by focusing on recent technological solutions, favouring disruptive innovation and fostering socially responsible leaders.

### Pacto Mais e Melhores Empregos para os Jovens

An initiative promoted by the José Neves Foundation that has received support from 50 Portuguese companies. Investing in young people is investing in the future and, for this reason, the signatories pledge to take action by 2026 to improve youth employment, implementing concrete measures aimed at, among other things, increasing the percentage of young people hired, ensuring more of them remain with the company, guaranteeing them quality jobs (with a level of pay and duties appropriate to their qualifications), supporting and developing youth training and giving young people a voice by increasing their participation on company boards.

### 6. Sustainable finance

For Corticeira Amorim, sustainable finance instruments play a pivotal role in advancing environmental and social sustainability objectives, while also fostering transparency and risk mitigation within the financial system by ensuring the proper governance of financial and corporate stakeholders.

The Company uses sustainable finance instruments as the main source of funding for projects included in the Sustainable by nature programme.

In 2020, Corticeira Amorim was a pioneer in the cork industry, launching its first Green Bond issue. Since then, it has significantly expanded the use of such instruments, with various issues in different formats.

Corticeira Amorim has adopted two sustainable finance frameworks:

• Green Bond Framework (GBF) - implemented in November 2020, it is aligned with the four components of the Green Bond Principles of the International Capital Markets Association (June 2018 version). Under the GBF, green bonds worth 40 million euros;

• Green Finance Framework (GFF) - implemented in November 2022, it is aligned with the London Market Association's Green Loan Principles (February 2021 version). Under the GFF, two Green Commercial Paper Programmes were contracted, totalling 55 million euros.

A 20 million euros Sustainability Linked Commercial Paper Programme and an 11.6 million euros Green Commercial Paper Programme were also agreed.

Thus, as of 2023, Corticeira Amorim has implemented five Sustainable Finance Instruments, totalling 126.6 million euros.

Corticeira Amorim believes that financial instruments with ESG criteria are effective tools for supporting sustainable economic growth, both in its own operations and in the value chain. As an example of the latter, in September 2023 Corticeira Amorim, through its subsidiary Amorim Florestal, established the first ESG financing line for suppliers of cork raw materials, in partnership with Caixa Geral de Depósitos. Corticeira Amorim's cork suppliers will thus be able to benefit from a discount on the financing spread granted by said financial institution, determined by their level of ESG classification and FSC® forest certification status, which is directly proportional to their respective level of development as regards ESG practices and forest management. These special conditions aim to encourage Corticeira Amorim's cork suppliers to adopt responsible and sustainable management practices, thus contributing to a more positive environmental and social impact.

€126,600 K	€126,600 K of Sustainable Finance Instruments contracted						
€119,200 K a	€119,200 K of Sustainable Finance allocated						
€40,000 K	€20,000 K	€11,600 K	€20,000 K	€35,000 K			
Green bonds	Sustainability linked commercial paper programme	Green commercial paper programme	Green commercial paper programme	Green commercial paper programme			
2020-2025	2021-2024	2021-2026	2022-2027	2022-2029			

Further information available at: www.amorim.com/en/investors/market-information/ www.amorim.com/en/sustainability/reports/

### 6.1. Allocation

In 2023, 119.2 million euros of sustainable finance was allocated to eligible sustainable projects, corresponding to the full Green Bonds  $\in$  40 M - December 2020, Green commercial paper programme  $\in$  20 M - December 2022 and Sustainability linked commercial paper programme  $\in$  20 M - August 2021 and, part of the Green commercial paper programme  $\in$  35 M - December 2022 and the Green commercial paper programme  $\in$  11.6 M - December 2021.

	Amount allocate
Characteristic	
Refinancing	89,00
Financing	30,20
By Business Unit	
Amorim Florestal	57,8
Amorim Cork	13,6
Amorim Cork Flooring	11,4
Amorim Cork Composites	5,50
Amorim Cork Insulation	4
Holding	30,20
Management fees	
By operation and instrument	
Green bonds	
Green bonds €40 M – December 2020	40,0
Green finance	
Green commercial paper programme €11.6 M - December 2021	10,2
Green commercial paper programme €11.6 M - December 2021	20,0
Green commercial paper programme €35 M - December 2022	29,0
Sustainability Linked	
Sustainability linked commercial paper programme €20 M – August 2021	20,0
By instrument and eligible category	
Green bonds/Green finance	
Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	55,1
Renewable, low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes	24,2
Renewable energy and waste to energy	13,6
Waste management and resource efficiency	6,0
Management fees	
Sustainability Linked	
Renewable energy and waste to energy and waste management and resource efficiency	20,0
By category	
Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	55,1
Renewable, low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes	24,2
Renewable energy and waste to energy	13,6
Waste management and resource efficiency	6,C
Renewable energy and waste to energy and waste management and resource efficiency	20,0
Management fees	
Total	119,20
Amounts in thousand euros.	

Amounts in thousand euros.

### 6.1.1. Green Bond Framework - December 2020

In 2020, Corticeira Amorim issued the cork industry's first Green Bonds under the Green Bond Framework, in what was an important milestone in its sustainability strategy.

The proceeds of this Green Finance Facility were disbursed and fully allocated and were used to refinance projects totalling 40 million euros, selected in accordance with the project evaluation and selection process described in section 3.2 of the GBF. Only projects belonging to the following Eligible Green Categories were considered eligible:

• Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use;

• Renewable, low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes;

• Waste management and resource efficiency;

• Renewable energy and waste to energy.

Sustainalytics reviewed the Green Bond Framework – November 2020 and issued its Second Party Opinion, confirming its alignment with the Green Bond Principles specified on June 2018 by the International Capital Markets Association.

Banco BPI, S.A. (<u>www.bancobpi.pt</u>), was responsible for organising, structuring and guaranteeing the subscription, as well as acting as paying agent.

Through the allocation of the proceeds of the Green Bonds, Corticeira Amorim supports the pursuit of UN SDGs 7 Affordable and Clean Energy, SDG 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, SDG 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities, SDG 12 Responsible Consumption and Production, SDG 13 Climate Action and SDG 15 Life on Land.

Corticeira Amorim publicly discloses the Allocation and Impact Report. This report is annual and is independently verified by ERNST & YOUNG AUDIT & ASSOCIADOS – SROC, S.A.

### Description of the investment and use of proceeds:

Eligible category	Amount allocated (K€)	Use of proceeds	Sustainable objective	SDG	Eligible projects
Green bonds €40 M - Deo	cember 2020   BBPI   20	20-2025			
Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	4,914	Refinance the acquisition, plantation, maintenance and management of cork oak forests using new silviculture models based on drip irrigation	Promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources	11, 15	Herdade da Baliza
	1,210	Refinance the acquisition, plantation, maintenance and management of cork oak forests using new silviculture models based on drip irrigation	Promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources	11, 15	Herdade da Venda Nova
Renewable, low carbon, eco-efficient and/ or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes	9,032	Refinance equipment and infrastructures to increase the quantity and quality of production of renewable, low carbon, eco-efficient products with the purpose of replacing fossil-based and other non-renewable materials with bio-based alternatives and refinancing the research, development, equipment and infrastructures for the manufacture of circular economy products	Strengthen resilience and adaptability to climate-related risks	8, 9, 12, 13	Eco-efficient products project
	15,222	Refinance equipment and infrastructures to increase the quantity and quality of production of renewable, low carbon, eco-efficient products with the purpose of replacing fossil-based and other non-renewable materials with bio-based alternatives and refinancing the research, development, equipment and infrastructures for the manufacture of circular economy products	Strengthen resilience and adaptability to climate-related risks	8, 9, 12, 13	Circular economy project
Renewable energy and waste to energy	3,462	Refinance the maintenance and upgrading of equipment and infrastructures used to produce energy from biomass and waste products	Increase the use of renewable energy and improve the efficiency of global resources, thereby achieving sustainable management	7	Renewable energy project (biomass)
Waste management and resource efficiency	6,077	Refinance equipment and infrastructures involved in resource efficiency and/or waste reduction, minimisation and reuse processes in Corticeira Amorim's operations	Improve the efficiency of global resources, thereby achieving sustainable management	12	Project to increase efficiency

Including banking fee.

Total

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40,000

6.1.2. Green Finance Framework – November 2022

Under the Green Finance Framework – November 2022, in December 2022 Corticeira Amorim agreed a 20 million euros Commercial Paper Programme, maturing in 2027, with Caixa - Banco de Investimento, S.A. (organiser, leader, paying agent and registering institution) and Caixa Geral de Depósitos, S.A. (subscription guarantee), and a 35 million euros, Commercial Paper Programme, maturing in 2029, with Banco de Sabadell, S.A. – Portuguese branch (organisation, structuring, subscription guarantee and paying agent).

The proceeds from these operations were used to refinance the acquisition of Herdade de Rio Frio, S.A. (the company that owns a significant part of the so-called Herdade de Rio Frio estate) and to finance investment in new cork oak plantations, supporting the pursuit of SDG 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities, SDG 12 Responsible Production and Consumption and SDG 15 Life on Land.

The commercial paper issued under these programmes qualifies as a Green Finance Facility under the Green Finance Framework - November 2022 falling under the eligible category of environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use.

KPMG & Associados – S.R.O.C., S.A. has confirmed, through the issuance of a limited assurance report, the alignment of the Green Finance Framework – November 2022 with the four components of the London Market Association's February 2021 Green Loan Principles and the International Capital Market Association's June 2021 Green Bond Principles (with Appendix 1 of June 2022).

Corticeira Amorim publicly discloses the Allocation and Impact Report. This report is annual and is independently verified by ERNST & YOUNG AUDIT & ASSOCIADOS – SROC, S.A.

### Description of the investment and use of proceeds:

Eligible category	Amount allocated (K€)	Use of proceeds	Sustainable objective	SDG	Eligible projects
Green commercial pa	per programme €20 M - De	cember 2022   Caixa BI   2022-2027			
Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	20,000	Finance and/or refinance projects related to increasing the area occupied by cork oaks ( <i>Quercus Suber</i> ) and improving existing areas, as part of the ongoing Forestry Intervention Project. These projects will include actions such as land acquisition, new plantations, increased tree planting density, research and development, maintenance, rehabilitation, restoration and management, partly using new forestry models.	Promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources	11, 15	Herdade de Rio Frio (1,855 ha)
		cember 2022   BSabadel   2022-2029			
Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	29,000	Finance and/or refinance projects related to increasing the area occupied by cork oaks ( <i>Quercus Suber</i> ) and improving existing areas, as part of the ongoing Forestry Intervention Project. These projects will include actions such as land acquisition, new plantations, increased tree planting density, research and development, maintenance, rehabilitation, restoration and management, partly using new forestry models.	Promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources	11, 15	Herdade de Rio Frio (3,250 ha)

Total

49,000

- Further information available at: www.amorim.com/xms/files/Investidores/Comunicados/2022-12-22 - Press\_ www.amorim.com/xms/ files/ Investidores/ Comunicados/ 2022-12-22 - <u>Release EN.pdf</u> www.amorim.com/xms/files/Investidores/Comunicados/2022 11 28 - <u>Green Finance Framework nov2022.pdf</u> www.amorim.com/xms/files/Investidores/Comunicados/2022 11 30 - <u>University Americano Framework 100</u> - <u></u>

- Limited Assurance\_report\_\_Amorims\_Green\_Finance\_Framework.pdf
- www.amorim.com/xms/files/Investidores/ Comunicados/20221219PressReleaseEN\_PPC.pdf

### 6.1.3. Sustainability Linked - August 2021

Corticeira Amorim has had a 20 million euros Sustainability linked commercial paper programme under way since 2021, which matures in 2024.

Sustainalytics has issued a professional opinion, confirming that Corticeira Amorim's Sustainability Linked Commercial Paper Issuance programme is aligned with the four components of the Loan Market Association's 2020 Sustainability Linked Loan Principles.

Caixa – Banco de Investimento, S.A. (CaixaBI) was responsible for organising and setting up the programme and also acted as the paying agent and registering institution. Caixa Geral de Depósitos, S.A. provided the subscription guarantee.

The interest rate to be charged on the commercial paper issued under this programme is dependent on the evolution of the following two KPIs for operations in Portugal:

KPI1 - Energy consumption from controlled renewable sources;
KPI2 - Proportion of non-cork waste sent for

• KP12 - Proportion of non-cork waste sent for recovery.

iceira Amorim publicly discloses the evolution of the KPIs associated with this financing in its Sustainability Report and Allocation and Impact Report. These reports are annual and have independent verification, carried out by ERNST & YOUNG AUDIT & ASSOCIADOS – SROC, S.A.

Description of the investment and use of proceeds:

Eligible category	Amount allocated (K€)	Use of proceeds	Sustainable objective	SDG	Eligible projects
Sustainability linked com	mercial paper programm	ne €20 M – August 2021   Caixa BI   202	1-2024		
Renewable energy and waste to energy and waste management and resource efficiency	20,000	Finance the Company's activities, in particular the Sustainable by nature programme	Increase the use of renewable energy and improve the efficiency of global resources, thereby achieving sustainable management	7, 12	Sustainability Linked

Total

20,000

Further information available at: www.amorim.com/xms/files/Investidores/ Comunicados/20210805CorticeiraAmorimGCPP.pdf www.amorim.com/en/sustainability/reports/

### 6.1.4. Other instruments

Corticeira Amorim implemented a Green commercial paper programme with a maximum nominal amount of 11.6 million euros and a maturity of up to 2026.

The Company is determined to increase the use of renewable energies. Thus, emissions under this programme are intended to finance the purchase of photovoltaic panels by various Corticeira Amorim companies between 2021 and 2024, which will make it possible to install around 24 MWp, using more than 40 thousand solar panels placed on the roofs of industrial unit buildings. The energy produced will be for self-consumption, representing around 20% of the electricity consumed by Corticeira Amorim, and will make it possible to reduce the Company's scope 2 CO2 emissions.

Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, S.A., the Portuguese branch, assumed the organisation, subscription guarantee and also the functions of paying agent, dealer bank and registering institution.

Corticeira Amorim publicly discloses the evolution of the KPIs associated with this financing in its Sustainability Report and Allocation and Impact Report. These reports are annual and have independent verification, carried out by ERNST & YOUNG AUDIT & ASSOCIADOS – SROC, S.A.

### Description of the investment and use of proceeds:

Eligible category	Amount allocated (K€)	Use of proceeds	Sustainable objective	SDG	Eligible projects
Green commercial pape	er programme €11.6 M – De	ecember 2021   BBVA   2021-2026			
Renewable energy and waste to energy	10,200	Financing the purchase of photovoltaic panels	Increase the use of renewable energy	7	Photovoltaic project
Total	10,200				
Further information ava www.amorim.com/xms/f Comunicados/202112200 www.amorim.com/en/su	<u>files/Investidores/</u> CorticeiraAmorimGreenCPP_	<u>EN.pdf</u>			

### 6.2. Impact

Through sustainable finance instruments, Corticeira Amorim drives positive change in areas crucial to sustainable development. The results and impacts generated by these instruments are presented through the evolution of KPIs, demonstrating the impact of sustainable finance in the following categories

- Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use;
- Renewable, low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes;
- Renewable energy and waste to energy;
- Waste management and resource efficiency.

### <u>6.2.1 Environmentally sustainable management of living</u> <u>natural resources and land use</u>

Cork oak forests are located in the Mediterranean basin and form part of one of the world's 36 biodiversity hotspots. As an indigenous species, the cork oak is perfectly adapted to local climatic conditions and arid soils, lives on average 200 years, and offers a highly positive set of ecosystem services, which include cork supply, climate regulation, fire prevention, soil protection and prevention of desertification, as well as biodiversity. A study carried out by EY in 2019 estimated an average value of more than  $\in 1,300$ /ha/year for the ecosystem services associated with a well-managed cork oak forest.

An awareness of the urgent need to take action, combined with the knowledge accumulated, has led Corticeira Amorim to invest directly in forestry projects involving cork oaks, using a drip irrigation system. This system significantly improves the plantation's chances of success and, at the same time, makes it possible to achieve greater initial tree growth, thus reducing the time it takes to harvest the first virgin cork, from the current 25 years to around half that period.

The aim is to promote the implementation of sustainable forest management and mobilise resources by promoting and disseminating new techniques for planting and managing Portuguese cork oak forests that are more efficient and resilient to the forecast climate scenarios, in alignment with SDGs 11 and 15. The performance indicators selected to assess the impact generated were: intervened forest estates (ha) and planted cork oak trees (no.).

Eligible projects	КРІ	2023	2022	2021
Green Bond Framework - D	December 2020			
Green bonds €40 M - Dece	ember 2020			
Herdade da Baliza	Intervened forest estates under management (ha)	265	130	
	Planted cork oak trees (no.)	110,505	54,210	
Herdade da Venda Nova	Intervened forest estates under management (ha)	26		251
	Planted cork oak trees (no.)			100,400
Green Finance Framework	– November 2022			
Green commercial paper p	rogramme €20 M - December 2022			
Herdade de Rio Frio	Intervened forest estates under management (ha)	266		
(1,855 ha)	Planted cork oak trees (no.)	44,535		
Green commercial paper p	rogramme €35 M - December 2022			
Herdade de Rio Frio	Intervened forest estates under management (ha)	467		
(3,250 ha)	Planted cork oak trees (no.)	78,025		

### <u>6.2.2. Renewable, low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or</u> <u>circular economy adapted products, production technologies</u> <u>and processes</u>

As a 100% natural, renewable, recyclable and reusable product, cork is an excellent alternative for reducing global dependence on non-renewable products and for reducing the carbon footprint of end products. The cyclical extraction of cork, without damaging the trees, ensures that cork oak forests continue to provide numerous environmental, economic and social benefits.

Corticeira Amorim has implemented the eco-efficient products project, which involves different technologies aimed at detecting, reducing and eliminating sensory issues associated with cork, including TCA, and which are applicable to the production of a wide range of cork stoppers, namely: natural cork stoppers, agglomerated cork stoppers, Twin Top Evo cork stoppers, Advantec cork stoppers and two-disc cork stoppers for sparkling wines. Cork with significant sensory deviations is not suitable for cork stopper production and can lead to a decrease in the competitiveness of products and an increase in the use of oil-derived or metal closures, which entail a more carbon-intensive production process.

The Company has also been developing the circular economy project, which aims to develop new technologies for processing cork not suitable for the cork stopper industry and other industrial by-products (industrial symbioses). These technologies aim to produce a wider range of composite cork of/with cork in combinations, thicknesses, densities and widths that have not been used until now. This will make it possible to extend the supply of circular economy products, helping to reduce pollution and reuse materials that would otherwise be waste. Examples: the Amorim Wise Cork Inspire 700 product range, a PVC-free waterproof flooring solution suitable for all types of spaces, and underlays and underscreeds for application in the construction sector.

Through these projects, the Company endeavours to strengthen resilience and adaptability to climate-related risks by making low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products available to the market, in alignment with SDGs 8, 9, 12 and 13. The performance indicator selected to assess the impact generated was the volume of sales of these products.

Eligible projects	KPI	2023	2022	2021
Green Bond Framework - D	December 2020			
Green bonds €40 M - Dec	ember 2020			
Eco-efficient products project	Sales of low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products (K€)	161,913	160,286	181,111
Circular economy project	Sales of low-carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products (K€)	32,981	41,059	40,220

### 6.2.3.Renewable energy and waste to energy

Preventing products and materials from becoming waste for as long as possible and turning unavoidable waste into resources are fundamental actions for achieving a greener and more circular economy. During Corticeira Amorim's production processes, cork powder is generated. This dust, together with other waste from other industries, such as olive stones, almond shells or broken pallets, are important sources of biomass, which are used to produce energy for the production process. This biomass (particularly cork powder) is the main source of energy consumed by industrial units (more than 60%). The renewable energy (biomass) project involves the acquisition of new boilers, the respective restructuring of the network and various interventions on existing boilers, namely in thermal fluid and steam systems, in order to increase capacity, improve the yield of cork powder in energy production and adapt boilers for the use of other biomass sources.

Corticeira Amorim is also committed to increasing the use of energy from renewable sources, both through the selection of energy suppliers according to the proportion of renewable energy in their mix and through direct investment in photovoltaic projects. With an investment in excess of 11 million euros during the 2021-2024 period, the Company aims to install around 24 MWp, using more than 40 thousand solar panels placed on industrial unit roofs. The energy produced will be for self-consumption, representing 20% of the electricity consumed by Corticeira Amorim.

The use of natural gas and renewable electricity helps avoid CO<sub>2</sub>eq emissions. Therefore, the performance indicator selected to assess the impact generated was: tCO<sub>2</sub> avoided by the respective projects.

Eligible projects	KPI	2023	2022	2021
Green Bond Framework -	December 2020			
Green bonds €40 M - De	cember 2020			
Renewable energy project (biomass)	Avoided GHG emissions (tCO2eq)	6,779	6,111	7,795
Others				
Green commercial paper	programme €11,6 M – December 2020			
Photovoltaic project	Controlled renewable photovoltaic electrical energy (tCO2eq)	4,100	1,164	36

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions resulting from the use of biomass (mainly cork powder) as an energy source are considered to be zero because they are renewable sources in which there is reasonable confidence that GHGs will be naturally offset or neutralised.

**6.2.4. Waste management and resource efficiency** Eliminating waste and pollution, keeping products and materials in use and regenerating natural systems are inspiring principles that drive Corticeira Amorim to constantly innovate in order to improve resource efficiency and minimise waste by reducing, recycling and reusing resources.

To this end, the Company has made a number of investments at different stages of the production process for cork stoppers, flooring, coverings and insulation products, in order to make better use of raw materials and reduce the amount of waste before it is recycled, used for energy production or landfilled.

This project's initiatives include Recupera, Recork and Recupera Wise, which have enabled, through micronisation, classifications by homogeneous properties and the reuse of cork composite by-products created in the production of flooring.

This endeavour seeks to improve the efficiency of global resources, achieving sustainable management, and is in line with SDG 12. The performance indicator selected to assess the impact was: industrial waste recovered through the project.

Eligible projects	KPI	2023	2022	2021
Green Bond Framework	- December 2020			
Green bonds €40 M - De	ecember 2020			
Project to increase efficiency	Industrial waste recovery (t)	4,577	6,949	8,234

### 6.2.5 Sustainability linked

Sustainability linked finance correlates the cost of financing with the Company's performance as regards the fulfilment of pre-defined KPIs.

The Company's performance in 2023 proves its commitment to sustainability. The proposed targets have been met, making a positive impact on the environment and society.

The following table shows the evolution of the KPIs associated with Corticeira Amorim's sustainability linked operations.

Eligible projects	КРІ	Target	2023	2022	2021
Sustainability Linked - August 2021					
	Energy consumption from controlled renewable sources as a percentage of total energy consumption (%)	> 66.7%/year	69.8%	69.3 %	69.2 %
	Proportion of non-cork waste sent for recovery (%)	>90%/year	91.1%	95.6%	96.2%

Operations in Portugal.

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### 8. Glossary

### Eligible Green Assets

Capital expenditure and/or operating expenditure related to the improvement and/or maintenance of Eligible Green Projects, research and development, costs incurred due to the purchase of materials and assets, among others, as set out in Corticeira Amorim's Green Finance Framework - November 2022 and/or Green Bond Framework - November 2020.

### **Eligible** Categories

Eligibility criteria set out in Corticeira Amorim's Green Finance Framework - November 2022 and/or Green Bond Framework - November 2020: environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use; renewable, low carbon, eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, technologies and production processes; waste management and resource efficiency; renewable energy and energy waste.

### CAU

Audit Committee.

CECA Executive Committee.

CEO Chief Executive Officer.

CESG ESG Committee.

CO2eq Carbon Dioxide Equivalent.

### Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility criteria for Green Finance Instruments, as set out in Corticeira Amorim's Green Finance Framework - November 2022, and/or Green Bond Framework - November 2020.

CSO Chief Sustainability Officer.

ESG Environmental, Social & Governance.

GBF Green Bond Framework - November 2020.

### GBP

Green Bond Principles, issued by the International Capital Market Association in June 2021 (with Appendix 1 June 2022).

GEE

Greenhouse gas emissions.

### GFF

Green Finance Framework - November 2022.

### GLP

Green Loan Principles, issued by the Loan Market Association, in February 2021.

ha Hectares.

HCS Head of Corporate Sustainability.

ICMA International Capital Market Association.

R&D+I Research, development and innovation.

### **Green Financing Instruments**

Financial Instruments which may include, but are not limited to, debt securities including green bonds, loans and/or commercial paper programmes.

**SPO** Second Party Opinion.

K€ Thousand euros.

KPI Key performance indicator.

LMA London Market Association.

M€ Million euros.

### m<sup>2</sup> Square metres.

### m<sup>3</sup>

Cubic metres.

### no.

Number.

### SDG

Sustainable Development Goals.

### ILO

International Labour Organization.

### PIF

Forestry Intervention Project – which began in 2013 and seeks to develop a new model of subericulture based on drip irrigation. It includes studying irrigation methods, the effect and effectiveness of fertilizers, assessment of productivity and valuation and the economic and technical feasibility of cork oak plantations subject to irrigation. Currently, three forestry projects are under management, with a total area of 8,181 hectares: Herdade da Baliza, Herdade da Venda Nova and Herdade de Rio Frio.

### SME

Small and medium-sized enterprises.

CPP

Commercial Paper Programme.

### Eligible Green Projects

Projects that fall under the Eligible Category of the Green Finance Framework - November 2022 and/or Green Bond Framework - November 2020, of Corticeira Amorim.

BU

Business Unit.

### PU

Production Units - includes raw material preparation units and industrial units.

# 9. Independent assurance report



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#### Independent Limited Assurance Report

To the Board of Directors of Corticeira Amorim, S.G.P.S., S.A.

#### Scope

We have been engaged by Corticeira Amorim, S.G.P.S., S.A. ("Corticeira Amorim") to perform a limited assurance engagement, as defined by International Standards on Assurance Engagements, to report on the Sustainable Finance Allocation and Impact Report 2023 ("Sustainable Finance Report") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Criteria applied

Corticeira Amorim prepared the Sustainable Finance Report in accordance with the Corticeira Amorim's Green Bond Framework – November 2020 and Green Finance Framework - November 2022 (together the "Criteria").

#### Responsibilities of the Management

Corticeira Amorim's management is responsible for selecting the Criteria, and for preparing the Sustainable Finance Report in accordance with that Criteria, in all material respects. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining an appropriate internal control system, maintaining adequate records and making estimates that are relevant to the preparation of the Sustainable Finance Report, such that it is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Responsibilities of the Auditor

Our responsibility is to examine the Sustainable Finance Report prepared by Corticeira Amorim and to issue a limited assurance report based on the evidence obtained.

Our engagement was conducted in accordance with the International Standards for Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information – ISAE 3000 (Revised) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB) of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) and other technical standards and recommendations issued by the Portuguese Institute of Statutory Auditors (Ordem dos Revisores Oficiais de Contas). These standards require that we plan and perform our engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether, in all material respects, the Sustainable Finance Report is prepared in accordance with the Criteria.

Procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed. In these circumstances, our independent review procedures comprised the following:

- Conducting interviews with management and other personnel involved in the preparation of the Sustainable Finance Report, in order to understand the characteristics of the (re)financed projects and how the information system is structured;
- Inquiries with the personnel responsible for preparing the Sustainable Finance Report in order to understand the processes for collecting, collating, reporting and validating the allocation and impact report data for the reporting period;
- Checking the sustainable finance instruments net proceeds allocation in the eligible project portfolio has been made in accordance with the Criteria;

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- Performing analytical review procedures to support the reasonableness of the allocation and impact report data, including information related to indicators disclosed in the report;
- Verification of the conformity of the Sustainable Finance Report with the results of our work and with the Criteria applied.

We consider that the evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide the basis for our conclusion.

#### Quality and Independence

EY applies the International Standard on Quality Management ISQM 1, which requires that we design, implement, and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards, and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We comply with the independence and other ethical requirements of the Ordem dos Revisores Oficiais de Contas' Code of ethics and of the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including international independence standards) (IESBA Code), which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentially and professional behavior.

#### Conclusion

Based on our work and evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that cause us to believe that the Sustainable Finance Report, for the year ended 31 December 2023, has not been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Criteria.

Lisbon, 27 March 2024

Ernst & Young Audit & Associados – SROC, S.A. Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas Represented by:

#### (signed)

Manuel Ladeiro de Carvalho Coelho da Mota - ROC nº 1410 Registered with the Portuguese Securities Market Commission under license nr. 20161020

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