SDG 9 - BUILD RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE, PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIALIZATION AND FOSTER INNOVATION

INTERNAL ACTIONS

- introduce innovation, transforming the products, services, production processes and internal management in accordance with sustainability criteria;
- build sustainable manufacturing plants that are resilient and high quality also throughout the supply-chain to ensure the welfare of all the company’s employees and suppliers, especially in the case of disabled people and other vulnerable groups.
- make access to information and communication technologies (ICT) available to all employees and promote their dissemination throughout the supply-chain;
- encourage the use of renewable fuels;
- reduce CO2 emissions and pollution through energy efficiency;
- strengthen the technological capabilities and innovation management of small and medium-sized enterprises throughout the supply-chain;
- employ efficient and sustainable technologies to improve the management of natural resources and reduce the impact on the environment; in the case of construction companies, creating sustainable infrastructures that reduce environmental impact and use sustainable materials;
- invest in research, development and innovation in order to promote technological development and innovation in business;
- expand operations in developing countries by adopting the prism of economic, social and environmental sustainability as a model, and promote sustainable industrialization.

EXTERNAL ACTIONS

- use what the business offers to promote a sustainable infrastructure, technological skills and innovation. In the case of a telecommunications company, for example, it could promote access to the Internet for local people in developing countries;
- create groups of strategic and innovative companies with a focus on the processes and activities of sustainable businesses;
- promote learning and technology development by creating connections between the company, start-up companies and other entrepreneurs;
- in the case of industrial companies, offer technical and technological training in universities and during workshops;
- train PhD students interested in research and innovation;
- promote research, development and innovation through specific programmes, such as competitions and award prizes for innovation;
- implement development cooperation projects focused on developing sustainable infrastructures in disadvantaged communities;
- activate public-private partnerships with NGOs, universities, the public sector and other companies on projects for generating sustainable industrial sites that also have a positive impact both socially and environmentally.