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Recommendations for Sustainable Purchasing

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Hi!

Purchasing sustainably effectively reduces environmental impact and promotes responsible practices that LOBA is committed to. Here are some recommendations divided by categories:

Paper: Paper, Toilet Paper, and Kitchen Paper

We should prioritise products with Sustainable Certifications such as FSC or PEFC certification, which ensure that the paper comes from sustainable sources. Alternatively, we prefer products with a higher percentage of recycled material. Many of these are indicated on the label as "x% Recycled" or carry the Recycled 100% seal.

Fleet of Vehicles: Cars, Motorcycles, and Electric Bicycles

Total preference should be given to vehicles that demonstrate more significant energy efficiency: The priority should be acquiring vehicles with energy efficiency and reduced emissions, preferably electric or hybrid.

Office Supplies or Merchandise

We should prioritise purchases of recycled products: office supplies produced with recycled materials and bearing the "Recycled" or "Recyclable" label and CarbonNeutral certification or other environmental certifications.

Durability: We should choose items of higher quality and durability to reduce waste.

Electronic Equipment

We should assess energy efficiency by opting for electronic devices with higher energy efficiency and bearing the ENERGY STAR rating.

Repairability: We should prefer easily repairable products, allowing us to extend their lifespan.

Recycling: Our responsibility is to ensure that old devices are collected by companies specialising in recycling electronic equipment. In this regard, we should **contact the company e-cycle via <https://reciqwerty.pt/>, sending a photo of the items, details of the pick-up location, and company information (including tax identification number, contacts, and a contact person).**

Cleaning Products

We should choose cleaning products with the EU Ecolabel, which have low environmental impacts and recyclable packaging, and certifications demonstrating their effectiveness and compliance with environmental standards.

Food and Beverages, Including Coffee

We should prioritise local and seasonal foods to support the local economy and reduce transportation emissions.

We should prioritise food products with organic certifications and those from regenerative agriculture.

More Sustainable Coffee: Choose coffee with certifications like Fair Trade and Rainforest Alliance to support responsible farming practices and social justice.

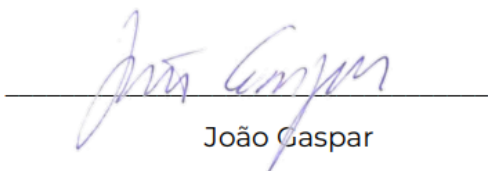
Sustainable purchases should be made in collaboration with suppliers, promoting transparency and encouraging them to adopt more sustainable practices.

The Sustainability Officer,

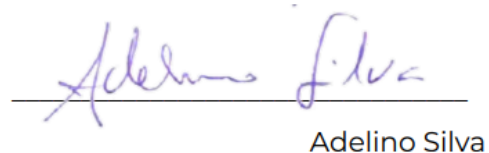


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