

# Social and Ethics Committee Report

The Social and Ethics Committee (the committee) assists the Board in overseeing and reporting on Remgro's ethics, responsible corporate citizenship, sustainable development, legal compliance and stakeholder relationships. This report by the committee is prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act (No. 71 of 2008), as amended (Companies Act), and the King IV Report on Corporate Governance for South Africa (2016) (King IV), and describes *inter alia* how the committee has discharged its statutory duties in terms of the Companies Act and its additional duties assigned to it by the Board in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2021.

## Committee members and attendance at meetings

The committee comprises five suitably skilled and experienced members appointed by the Board, the majority of whom are, as recommended in King IV, neither involved in the day-to-day management of Remgro's business or been so involved at any time during the previous three financial years. The members of the committee for the year under review are set out in the table below. The chairman of the committee is Mr Murphy Morobe, an independent non-executive director. In terms of the committee's charter, at least two meetings should be held during each financial year.

### Composition of the committee

Committee member*	Number of meetings held	Number of meetings attended
M Morobe (Chairman)	3	3
S E N De Bruyn	3	2
N P Mageza	3	3
P R Louw	3	2
P J Uys	3	3

\* *Abridged curriculum vitae of all the directors of the Company are set out on pages 20 to 23 of the Integrated Annual Report, while the qualifications of Messrs P R Louw and P J Uys (who are members of the Management Board and also prescribed officers in terms of the Companies Act) are presented on page 24.*

## Role and responsibilities

The committee's role and responsibilities are governed by a formal charter as approved by the Board. The charter is subject to an annual review by the Board.

The main objectives of the committee are to assist the Board in monitoring the Group's performance in respect of ethics, responsible corporate citizenship, sustainable development, compliance and stakeholder relationships. This is done by *inter alia* monitoring the sustainable development practices of the Group as set out below, thereby assisting the Board in achieving its objectives of doing business ethically and sustainably.

Remgro's main wholly owned operating subsidiaries are Wispeco Holdings Proprietary Limited (Wispeco) and Siqalo Foods Proprietary Limited. Wispeco has established its own Social and Ethics Committee which operates independently from this committee. Remgro's representatives on the board of Wispeco also have a standing invitation to attend the meetings of that committee, *ex officio*. The minutes of these meetings, as well as those of the Social and Ethics Committees of RCL Foods Limited (RCL Foods) and Distell Group Holdings Limited (Distell) are included in the agenda of this committee as a standing item. During the year under review, the aforementioned companies submitted reports (where applicable) of their respective Social and Ethics Committees' activities to this committee.

Furthermore, during the year under review, Distell, RCL Foods and Wispeco gave presentations to the committee and reported specifically on the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic on their respective businesses.

The committee is thus satisfied that it has fulfilled all its duties in accordance with its yearly programme, as further detailed below.

## Policy review

The committee is responsible for developing and reviewing the Group's policies with regard to the commitment, governance and reporting of the Group's sustainable development performance and for making recommendations to management and/or the Board in this regard. During the year under review, the committee reviewed its charter, as well as the Company's Code of Ethics, Gifts Policy, Social Media Policy, HIV/Aids Policy and Safety, Health and Environmental Management Policy.

## Monitoring of sustainable development practices

In the execution of its duties, the committee has reviewed the sustainable development practices of the Group, specifically relating to:

- ethics and compliance;
- corporate social investment;
- stakeholder relations;
- broad-based black economic empowerment;
- health and public safety;
- labour relations and working conditions;
- training and skills development;
- management of the Group's environmental impacts; and
- human rights and anti-child labour principles.

The committee's oversight role also includes the monitoring of any relevant legislation, other legal requirements or prevailing codes of best practice, specifically with regard to matters relating to social and economic development, good corporate citizenship, employment equity, the environment, health and public safety, consumer relationships, as well as labour and employment and overall Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) matters.

The committee further monitors Remgro's participation and results achieved in external surveys in respect of any sustainability aspect pertaining to the Group. In this regard the committee noted the external recognition and achievements by the Group, as reported on page 113 of the Integrated Annual Report.



### Public reporting and assurance

The committee, together with the Audit and Risk Committee, is responsible for reviewing and recommending for approval the annual sustainability content included in the Integrated Annual Report and published on the Company's website at [www.remgro.com](http://www.remgro.com). The committee is also involved in determining and making recommendations on the need for external assurance of the Group's public reporting on its sustainable development performance. To this extent, the committee has reviewed the content of the abridged Sustainable Development Report included in the Integrated Annual Report and the detailed Sustainable Development Report published on the Company's website at [www.remgro.com](http://www.remgro.com), and has recommended it for approval by the Board.



The committee is also required to report through one of its members to the Company's shareholders on the matters within its mandate at the Company's Annual General Meeting to be held on 25 November 2021. In the notice of the Annual General Meeting included in the Integrated Annual Report on page 155, shareholders are referred to this report by the committee, read with the detailed Sustainable Development Report published on the Company's website at [www.remgro.com](http://www.remgro.com). Any specific questions to the committee may be sent to the Company Secretary prior to the meeting. Committee members will be attending the Annual General Meeting to deal with any questions.



**Murphy Morobe**  
*Chairman of the Social and Ethics Committee*

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