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Invictus Investment Company PLC ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) REPORT



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About This Report

Welcome to Invictus Investment's inaugural Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) report.

This report encapsulates our approach to sustainability and ESG and our achievements within the period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. The report has been produced in accordance with the Abu Dhabi Stock Exchange's (ADX) ESG reporting guidance, and in reference to the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) standards. Throughout the chapters, we also demonstrate our contribution to, and alignment with, the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The report, performance disclosures and claims have been verified by the Board of Directors of Invictus Investment.



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• 26.3% of the 80 employees hired in the past three years are female

 Invictus Investment Co. PLC is now registered in Abu Dhabi Global Markets (ADGM) and listed on Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Growth Market

 Invictus Investment has commenced its inaugural carbon calculation



Highlights from

- In 2023, a total of 591,000 AED was budgeted to be invested in employee trainings
- Invictus Investment starts building its ESG strategy and publishes its inaugural ESG Report



Chief Executive Officer's Message

Dear Stakeholders,

I am pleased to present Invictus Investment's inaugural ESG Report 2023. In just a few years, we have transitioned from a regional enterprise to a global player, driven by an unwavering commitment to quality, innovation, and strategic partnerships. Our growth journey is guided by a broad vision, with strategic objectives focused on identifying potential areas for expansion and understanding industry developments. These growth objectives aim to position Invictus Investment as a value-added, integrated agri player on the international stage.

As we move forward, the evolution of our operational & organisational model plays a pivotal role in ensuring the success of our growth strategy. This strategic approach sets the stage for a future where Invictus Investment continues to thrive, contributing to global markets.

In tandem with our growth pursuits, sustainability lies at the heart of Invictus Investment's ethos. We recongise the critical importance of environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and ethical business practices. As we evolve, our commitment to sustainability becomes integral to our identity, ensuring that our growth not only contributes to economic prosperity but also leaves a positive impact on the planet and communities within and beyond our ecosystem. While acknowledging our current dedication to Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles, we recognise that our commitment is an ever-evolving journey. We remain steadfast in our resolve to continually build upon our successes, progressively enhancing our efforts every step of the way.

As we navigate this journey, we are guided by the sustainability vision of the UAE leadership and policies such as the UAE Green Growth Strategy, the UAE Green Agenda 2015-2030, and the UAE 2050 Net Zero Initiative. By incorporating these initiatives into the fabric of our corporate ethos, we not only contribute to the nation's sustainable development goals but also play our part on the global stage in advancing the cause of environmental and social responsibility, as a corporate citizen.

We thank all our stakeholders for their ongoing support and collaboration.

Sincerely, CEO, Invictus Investment Amir Daoud Abdellatif



Chief Financial Officer's Message

Dear Stakeholders,

In our pursuit of global excellence, Invictus Investment proudly operates in approximately 50 countries, underpinning our dynamic growth and market presence. Our diverse portfolio comprises over 13 quality products, catering to a vast network of 50+ customers. We have cultivated partnerships with 150+ material suppliers, establishing a robust supply chain. Ensuring the highest standards, we have implemented Quality Management System (QSM) and Food Management System (FSM), emblematic of our commitment to delivering top-tier products to the market.

As Chief Financial Officer, I am pleased to report on the financial facets that propel our success. As of 2023, we recorded total revenue worth AED 8.1 billion and a total net profit of AED 213.6 million, while our total assets were valued at AED 2.6 billion. These figures align with our operational and organisational restructuring, fortifying our capabilities to meet the demands of a rapidly evolving market. Further details on our financial performance can be found in our financial statements.

Amidst our financial pursuits, sustainability remains a core focus for Invictus Investment. The commitment to environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and ethical practices is ingrained in our financial strategy. In 2023, Invictus Investment took significant steps, having developed its initial materiality assessment, and reported on topics deemed material. Looking ahead, the company is dedicated to establishing a clear roadmap and strategy to address its environmental footprint and societal impact. Moreover, we aim to ensure that ethical business practices and good corporate citizenship are embedded in our governance approach, fostering a harmonious blend of growth and responsibility.

Finally, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to our stakeholders for their trust and support as we shape a future where financial success and sustainability go hand in hand.

CFO, Invictus Investment

Robert Rotich



Introduction to the Report

In the heart of the economic landscape of Abu Dhabi, Invictus Investment emerges as a prominent name in terms of financial success with a profound commitment to ESG principles. This report marks the inauguration of our ESG journey, encapsulating the ethos that propels Invictus Investment towards a future where sustainable investing becomes synonymous with prosperity.

Invictus Investment has consistently exemplified a visionary approach to investment. As we venture into the realm of ESG reporting, we recongise the transformative power that responsible investment holds in shaping a resilient and ethical financial landscape.

This inaugural report serves as a tool to guide our stakeholders through our foundational ESG pillars;



Ethical Governance and Partnerships

Social Empowerment



Environmental Stewardship

In this report, stakeholders will witness strategic plans of sustainability integration into our investment strategies, reflecting our mindset that profitability and responsible practices are not mutually exclusive.

Ethical Governance and Partnerships

The governance section demonstrates our commitment to transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct. In this section, we explore two major governance facets:

Board Composition and ESG Oversight: By fostering a diverse and knowledgeable board, we ensure a holistic approach to environmental, social, and governance matters. This chapter outlines our strategic focus on ESG factors as integral components of our decision-making process.

Ethical Governance and Partnerships: This chapter articulates our dedication to upholding the highest standards of governance. We believe that ethical conduct is not just a compliance requirement but a fundamental pillar of our identity. It outlines how we cultivate partnerships that align with our ethical principles, contributing to a culture of integrity and responsibility.

Social Empowerment

Social responsibility is woven into the fabric of our corporate identity. The report showcases the various ways Invictus Investment contributes to community development, championing inclusivity, diversity, and social well-being. Under our comprehensive approach to social responsibility, we highlight specific chapters:

Our People: This chapter delves into our commitment to the well-being and development of our team members. It underscores our efforts to create a workplace that nurtures talent, fosters diversity, and prioritises employee wellbeing.

Our Consumers: In exploring our dedication to social responsibility, the chapter on Product Quality & Safety outlines our initiatives to ensure the highest standards in our products and services, emphasising customer satisfaction, safety, and ethical business practices.

Environmental Stewardship

Our environmental initiatives aim to mitigate risks, promote resource efficiency, and harness opportunities that arise from a rapidly evolving global landscape.

Energy and Emissions: In this chapter, we address our strategies and actions related to energy consumption and emissions, emphasising our commitment to reducing our carbon footprint and enhancing energy efficiency.

Water: The chapter dedicated to Water outlines our efforts to responsibly manage and conserve water resources, ensuring sustainable practices in our operations.

As we embark on this inaugural ESG reporting endeavour, Invictus Investment invites stakeholders to explore its approach to sustainability, as well as its emerging ESG performance. Together, let us forge a path towards a future where responsible investing not only redefines financial success but also contributes to a world that is sustainable, inclusive, and resilient.



About Invictus Investment

Abu Dhabi Global Markets (ADGM) has registered Invictus Investment, which was listed on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Growth Market on June 29, 2022, under the symbol Invictus Investment.

At present, the organisation possesses an entire 100% stake in Invictus Trading FZE, via which it distributes its trading products. Invictus Trading, which was established in 2014, has expanded its operations in Africa and the Middle East at a rapid pace through the development of global trading networks and the cultivation of relationships with important players in the commodity sector. Along the complete value chain, including origination, processing, and trading, Invictus Investment maintains a presence throughout a diversified portfolio of commodities. In addition to commodities, grains, sugar, oilseeds, edible oils, animal feed, pulses, and gum Arabic are included in the product line.

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Our Business

In just a few short years, Invictus Investment has emerged as a dynamic force in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), transcending borders and establishing a formidable presence on the international stage. The company's journey from a regional enterprise to a global player is a testament to its unwavering commitment to quality, innovation, and strategic partnerships.

Quality and Food Management Systems

A cornerstone of Invictus Investment's success lies in its unwavering commitment to quality assurance. The company has implemented robust quality management systems, ensuring that every product meets the highest standards.

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Diverse Product Portfolio

One of Invictus Investment's key strengths lies in its extensive range of high-quality products. With more than 13 offerings in its portfolio, in various consumer goods, the company has successfully diversified its revenue streams. This diversity not only ensures resilience in the face of market fluctuations but also allows Invictus Investment to cater to a wide array of customer needs.







Robust Customer Network

Building on its commitment to customer satisfaction, Invictus Investment has cultivated a network of over 50 loyal customers worldwide. The company's emphasis on fostering strong relationships has not only bolstered its market presence but has also positioned it as a preferred partner for businesses across different industries.

Global Footprint and Sourcing Strategies

Invictus Investment's ability to maintain highquality standards is underpinned by its strategic approach to sourcing commodities. The company collaborates with more than 150 suppliers globally, ensuring a diverse and reliable supply chain. This extensive network empowers Invictus Investment to navigate market dynamics efficiently and respond swiftly to changing demands.

Invictus Investment maintains trading relations across the world, buying from over 28 countries and selling to 20 countries, becoming a trusted name in diverse markets worldwide. The company's ability to adapt to different cultures, regulatory environments, and consumer preferences has fueled its remarkable growth beyond the UAE's borders.

In conclusion, Invictus Investment's journey from a regional enterprise to a global powerhouse is marked by strategic expansion, diverse product offerings, strong customer relationships, and a commitment to quality. As the company continues to evolve and embrace new opportunities, its impact on the global market is set to endure, solidifying its position as a leader in the international business landscape.



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These values profoundly shape Invictus Investment's work and vision, guiding every decision and action with a commitment to progress, excellence, resilience, transparency, and integrity.

Progression

 Continuously exploring new ways to enhance our industrial capabilities and diversify our operations, fostering innovation and adaptability in a dynamic business landscape.

Excellence

 Attention to detail across all of the value chain activities to ensure optimal results, maintaining a rigorous and disciplined approach to quality control and efficiency

Resilience

 Handling challenges with vigour and turning them into opportunities, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to overcoming obstacles and achieving long-term success.



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Transparency and Integrity

Acting and communicating honestly in all our processes, fostering trust and credibility with stakeholders through transparent business practices and integrity.







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ESG at Invictus Investment

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- Our ESG Framework and Materiality



Our Approach to ESG

At Invictus Investment, our commitment to sustainable business practices is ingrained in our corporate values, forming the foundation of our ESG framework. This framework is aligned with three key sustainability pillars, emphasising our dedication to responsible and impactful business operations. These include Ethical Governance and Partnerships, Social Empowerment and **Environmental Stewardship. Material topics** under each pillar, contributing directly to SDGs, have been informed by the materiality assessment the business has conducted.

Stakeholder Engagement

At Invictus Investment, we are always working to improve our communication with our stakeholders. Maintaining regular communication with our stakeholders enables us to remain wellinformed regarding the sustainability issues that hold significance for them. Moreover, this demonstrates our dedication to cultivating and preserving our connections with them. For the current reporting year, Invictus Investment exclusively focused on engaging with internal stakeholders, namely our employees, and consulted experts in the field of sustainability and ESG to set its preliminary ESG strategy. In the coming years, our strategic plan includes expanding stakeholder engagement to encompass external stakeholders for materiality mapping.

Moving forward, the key stakeholders that we seek to engage with and several modes of communication to open dialogue are presented in the following list.

Internal Stakeholders

- Shareholders
- Employees
- Contracted Workers

L External Stakeholders

- Investors
- Financial Institutions
- Suppliers
- Customers
- Government and Regulators
- Community

Potential Communication Channels

- Surveys
- Workshops and seminars
- Board meetings
- Panel discussions
- Social media channels
- Official communications
- One-to-one meetings
- Audit and inspection
- Publications

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Our ESG Framework and Materiality

Our ESG approach serves as a guiding framework, ensuring that our corporate values and sustainability pillars are integrated into every facet of our operations. By embracing these principles, we aim to not only achieve our financial objectives but also contribute positively to society and the environment. The table below depicts our ESG Framework and maps our approach to relevant material topics and UN SDGs.



Environmental Stewardship



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Board Composition and ESG Oversight
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Board Composition and ESG Oversight



The corporate governance framework at Invictus Investment seeks to clearly delineate the distribution of rights and responsibilities among different stakeholders. The shareholders are the ultimate decisionmakers in respect of the direction of the Company as they are responsible for appointing the Board of Directors.

The General Assembly Meeting is the highest decision-making body in the Company and is the forum in which shareholders express themselves and exercise their right to decide on the Company's direction. The Articles of Association, approved by the Company's shareholders on April 07, 2023, is the Company's constitutional document that outlines the governance of the organisation, including decision-making by shareholders (e.g., voting at general meetings) and Board matters (e.g., director appointments, powers and responsibilities).

The Company is managed by the Board of Directors who were re-appointed for 3 years during our AGM on April 07, 2023 - as per the Articles of the Company. The position of the Board's Chairman and the position of CEO are separate.

The Board has established three committees:



recommendations for its approval.



Roles and Responsibilities of the Invictus Board

The Board at Invictus Investment holds ultimate responsibility for ensuring the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory obligations, its Articles of Association, and duties to shareholders. Through these delineated responsibilities, the Board reinforces a robust ethical governance framework, safeguarding the Company's integrity and ensuring sustainable and responsible business practices. Additionally, the Board approves the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) strategy and reviews the ESG report regularly. Oversight of ESG responsibility is delegated to the CEO, who further delegates the implementation of the ESG strategy across the organisation. Plans are in place to establish an ESG Committee in the future to enhance oversight and governance of ESG-related matters. This comprehensive approach underscores Invictus Investment's commitment to ethical standards, sustainability, and responsible business practices, thereby fortifying its integrity and reputation in the market.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors, appointed by Shareholders in a meeting on January 28, 2022, and approved by the ADGM effective from the Company's formation on March 1, 2022, currently consists of three members, including a non-Executive Chairman and one Executive and one Non-Executive Director. Recognising the significance of Board diversity and independence, we are committed to ensuring a varied range of perspectives and maintaining transparency and accountability in our decisionmaking processes. A notable development includes the company's public listing, prompting efforts to strengthen the compliance function, enhance transparency, and develop a robust compliance and governance framework. Multiple internal audits have been conducted to bolster the Governance Framework. Moreover, while there is no separate Directors' code of conduct, Directors are subject to the company's code of conduct and Business Ethics policy, ensuring adherence to ethical standards and regulatory compliance.

Board of Directors	Role and Committee Memberships:	Category	Member Since
Mr. Osama Daoud Abdel Latif	Chairman – Board Member • Board Audit, Risk and Insider Trading Committee • Human Resource, Nomination and Remuneration Committee	Non-Independent, Non-Executive	1st March 2022
Mr. Amir D. Abdellatif Ibrahim	Chief Executive Officer Member: • Company Strategy and Investment Committee	Non-Independent, Executive	1st March 2022
Mr. Syed Basar Shueb	V. Chairman – Board Member Member: • Company Strategy and Investment Committee • Board Audit, Risk and Insider Trading Committee • Human Resource, Nomination and Remuneration Committee	Category: Independent, Non- Executive	Member Since: 1st March 2022

Board Composition

Number of members

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Number of executive members

Percentage of Executive members of the Board of Directors

Percentage of Non-executive members of the Board of Directors

Number of female members

Number of male members





Zero cases of corruption or grievances related to governance reported at Invictus Investment in 2023

Zero cases of customer privacy breaches reported at Invictus Investment in 2023

We arrange quarterly cybersecurity awareness sessions for employees and 80% of our employees have completed data privacy and security training

Zero cases of anticompetitive behaviour, antitrust, and monopoly practices were reported at Invictus Investment in 2023

No significant noncompliance against laws cases reported in 2023

Ethical Governance and Partnerships

At Invictus Investment, our commitment to ethical governance is upheld by a comprehensive set of policies and procedures, integrated into our corporate governance framework. These principles serve as a guide, promoting transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct across all facets of our operations, from the Board's roles and responsibilities to specific policies such as the Code of Conduct & Business Ethics, Whistleblower Policy, and Anti-Bribery Policy. Collectively, these principles reinforce our dedication to fostering a culture of integrity and responsible business practices. Furthermore, our membership in the Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry solidifies our commitment to ethical governance, aligning ourselves with this respected institution to uphold ethical standards within the broader business community.

Ethical Business Practices

The Board at Invictus Investment assumes a pivotal role in ensuring the implementation and adherence to ethical business practices, as outlined in the Board Charter. This includes establishing procedures to guarantee compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and resolutions, approving corporate governance policies, setting clear standards for Board membership, and reviewing the composition and performance of the Board. The Board also holds authority over matters such as the issuance or revocation of power of attorney and approval of incentives, bonuses, and special privileges in alignment with the Company's objectives.

Anti-corruption and Fraud

The Board plays a crucial role in establishing robust measures to prevent corruption and fraud within the organisation, including creating and amending Authorized Bank

Signatories/Mandates, approving investmentrelated decisions, and overseeing strategy implementation. Additionally, the Board approves rules governing incentives and privileges to ensure alignment with the Company's interests and exercises authority over significant financial decisions, such as approving annual budgets and reviewing financial performance.

Resilient and Future-proof Business

The Board exercises its authority in key strategic areas to steer Invictus Investment towards resilience and future-proofing, including approving the Company's strategy and main objectives, overseeing the implementation of strategic initiatives, and making critical decisions related to mergers and acquisitions. Additionally, the Board reviews and approves the Delegation of Authority to ensure effective decision-making throughout the organisation.

Corporate Governance Policies & Procedures Framework

Embedded in our commitment to fostering higher corporate governance standards, Invictus Investment has meticulously crafted a comprehensive set of policies and procedures. These protocols serve as guiding principles, promoting transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct across all facets of our operations, reinforcing our dedication to exemplary corporate governance.

Aligned with this commitment, the Human Resources and Compliance functions at Invictus Investment prepare core policies, including the Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption policy and Conflict of Interest Policy. Following preparation, these policies undergo a thorough review by the Compliance department before being presented for final review and approval by a board representative. The Compliance and Internal Audit Department is tasked with monitoring compliance against these policies during audits and reporting any potential violations to senior management.

To further mitigate the risk of conflict of interest, all related-party transactions are disclosed. Additionally, a mechanism has been established to ensure that transactions between related parties are conducted on a fixed margin basis, minimising the potential for undue influence or bias.



68% of Invictus Investment employees have signed the Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy

POLICY	FUNCTION	POLICY
Corporate Governanc Manual	Covers roles and responsibilities of all sta involved in governance processes includi General Assembly of Shareholders, the Bo Directors including the Chairman of the B Board Committees, CEO, Senior Managem Internal Audit / Internal Control, External A Board and Committees Secretary and oth stakeholders	ng the Disclosure and Transparency bard of Policy oard and hent, Audit,
Board of Directors Charter	The Effective functioning of the board	Policy
Code of Conduct & Bu Ethics	To guide the ethical conduct of Directors Employees	Compliance Management Policy
Whistleblower Policy	For employees to report on matters, in co where they feel malpractice is taking plac ethical/integrity standards are being com	ce, or if
Conflict of Interest Policy	Sets forth requirements for the avoidance management of potential and actual con interest.	
Disclosure and Transp Policy	Provides guidelines to ensure that the cor makes timely and accurate disclosure on material matters, including the financial s performance, governance, rules pertainin disclosure of information, methods of class of information, and the frequency of discl	all aituation, ig to ssification
Securities Trading Policy	Provides guidelines on trading in the Com securities.	pany's
Related Party Transac Policy	ctions Provides guidelines on transactions with r parties	related
Anti-Bribery and Corr Policy	Guides on identifying and dealing with br corruption and protecting the Company of stakeholders against bribery and corrupt	and its
Dividend Distribution Policy	Governs the Company's procedures relate dividend distribution.	ed to its

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Provides guidelines to ensure that the company makes timely and accurate disclosure on all material matters, including the financial situation, performance, governance, rules pertaining to disclosure of information, methods of classification of information, and the frequency of disclosure.

Provides the Board, senior management, and other internal stakeholders guidance to support effective risk management practices.

Promotes a culture of good corporate governance and compliance practices and gains assurance through its governance arrangements that the Group is in conformance with its legal and policy obligations.

Ensures human rights are preserved

Facilitates the development of controls that will aid in the detection and prevention of fraud and provide an overall framework for managing suspected cases of fraud.



Taxation

Corporate tax is a novel area for all UAEbased companies. The UAE is also the only tax jurisdiction where the company operates for tax purposes. Invictus Investment recently ventured into the corporate tax domain, commencing in January 2024, with its inaugural tax return slated for submission by September 30, 2025. Our consultants are presently engaged in conducting an impact assessment, which indicates that as a free zone entity, Invictus is positioned favourably towards a 0% tax rate. Concurrently, we are diligently assessing transfer pricing implications, as well as Base Erosion and Profit Sharing (BEPS) Pillar Two implications, and crafting strategies and policies to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

At Invictus Investment, the finance department supervises compliance monitoring via a monthly control checklist, while our consultants offer continual guidance and updates regarding fresh tax regulations. This proactive approach aids us in effectively managing and mitigating potential risks to our organisation.

Taxation Overview

Our revenues from third-party sales reached an impressive AED 5,863,512,378, reflecting the robust demand for our products and services. Additionally, our strategic intra-group transactions across different tax jurisdictions contributed significantly to our revenue streams, totaling AED 2,209,162,142. Despite the challenging global economic environment, we achieved a profit before tax of AED 213,665,403. Our investment in tangible assets, excluding cash and cash equivalents, stood at AED 2,310,403,263, underscoring our commitment to long-term growth and sustainability. These financial milestones are a testament to our resilient business model and strategic vision for a sustainable future.

Our Suppliers

Operating through our main procurement hub in the UAE and affiliate and associate offices in Sudan, Ethiopia, Chad, Egypt, Cameroon, China, and the USA, Invictus Investment effectively manages a network of over 150 material suppliers, engaging in trade across more than 13 products and spanning 20 countries. Leveraging this diverse sourcing network, we have expanded our strategy upstream, sourcing from cooperatives across varied geographies. This strategic approach enables us to supply both commodities and finished goods to clients, with a primary focus on markets across Africa, the Middle East, and Asia.

Our ethical governance extends beyond internal operations to global partnerships, ensuring growth and value creation throughout our value chain. In line with our commitment to responsible trading practices, we conduct a "Know Your Supplier" exercise during registration, performing background checks to identify any potential red flags regarding their general conduct. Moreover, in 2023, we introduced a selfaudit questionnaire circulated to noncommodities suppliers, focusing on their environmental and social conduct, enhancing our due diligence efforts. A total of 33 - 25% of total suppliers were successfully screened based on environmental and social criteria.





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Social Empowerment

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- Our Consumers



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Our People

In the pursuit of strategic growth, Invictus Investment recongises that hiring and retaining the right talent is a central pillar essential for success. Key to the realization of our growth strategy is the investment in, and access to, the right capabilities within our organisation. Across all growth initiatives, strategic enablers such as deep expertise in commodity teams are imperative.

To build deeper expertise, we are actively investing in hiring expert teams to lead major commodities such as soybeans and maize. Additionally, we are assembling a panel of experts in target commodities who will play a crucial role in advising on success strategies. This approach aligns with our commitment to establishing a robust and holistic organisation through the development of capabilities in governance, functional expertise, and commercial acumen.

Furthermore, as a key component of the 2024 Annual Operating Plan, Invictus Investment is prioritising initiatives that enhance employee satisfaction, well-being, and engagement, recognising their direct contribution to operational excellence through heightened productivity and retention rates. To assess progress in this area, we will utilise employee engagement survey results and well-being indicators. Our target is to successfully implement employee engagement surveys and report on well-being indicators to track our advancements. Initiatives to achieve this objective include implementing employee wellness programs and initiatives, as well as establishing regular communication and feedback channels to better understand and address employee concerns.

Valuing Our People

At Invictus Investment, we highly value our staff because we understand that attracting and retaining top talent is crucial for achieving success. We offer a variety of additional perks to our full-time employees as a way to show appreciation for their dedication. These benefits encompass medical insurance coverage for both the employee and their dependents, yearly airfare allowances for the employee and their family, gratuity benefits in accordance with UAE labour regulations, workmen's compensation as mandated by UAE labour laws, ESAAD Lifestyle discount cards for staff and all relevant leave entitlements as per UAE labour regulations. In addition, plans are underway to introduce a policy for flexibility to work from home for two days each month, in 2024.

Benefits for full-time employees at Invictus Investment





Annual Air tickets for employees and their family members

Workmen's compensation as per UAE labour law

All applicable leaves as per UAE labour law Invictus Investment Company PLC

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

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We are proud to share that women constitute 26.3% of our total workforce, with 38% of new hires falling within the age bracket of 18 to 30 years old, and 60.9% falling within the age bracket of 31 to 50 years old. At Invictus Investment, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) are not merely abstract principles but rather fundamental pillars that shape our corporate culture. We firmly believe that a workforce comprising individuals from diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences is instrumental in driving innovation and building resilience within our organisation. Demonstrating our commitment to equity, we actively work towards ensuring equitable opportunities for all employees, fostering an inclusive environment where every individual feels empowered to contribute their unique talents.

Employees by Contract-Type

In 2021 and 2022, 100% of our employees were hired on an indefinite permanent contract. However in 2023, following changes in UAE labour law which no longer allows for indefinite contracts, we have onboarded a total of 76 employees on a fixed-term contract.

Total Workforce by Gender

EMPLOYEES PER CATEGORY AND GENDER



TOTAL FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES





of the workforce is made up by female full-time employees



of the senior management positions are occupied by female members

Zero nondiscrimination cases reported at Invictus Investment during 2023

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New Employée Hires & Employee T/urnover

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In 2023, 38% of new hires at Invictus Investment are in between the age of 18 to 30 years old while 60.9% are between the ages of 31 to 50 years old

All new hires in 2023 hold a full-time contract at Invictus Investment

1 employee took a maternity leave and returned to work

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Our employee turnover rate stands at 10.2% in 2023

A total of 3 human resources related grievances were reported and 100% were successfully resolved



of the 80 employees hired **26.3%** in the past three years are female.

Building a Diverse Workforce

Looking ahead to 2024, Invictus Investment has specific objectives as part of its Annual Operating Plan to enhance diversity recruitment efforts and foster an inclusive workplace culture that respects and embraces differences across various geographic regions & divisions. This includes looking into nationalisation initiatives like NAFIS and consider the applicability of implementation of the same within Invictus Investment.

In addition to this, In 2024, we are committed to advancing diversity and inclusion through a series of targeted initiatives. To foster a sense of belonging and inclusivity, the company will establish resource groups and affinity networks aimed at creating supportive communities within the organisation. Additionally, Invictus Investment will conduct regular DE&I training sessions and workshops, supplemented by easily accessible self-led training resources to empower employees at all levels. In collaboration with hiring managers and teams, the company will ensure that job descriptions are inclusive and that selection criteria are unbiased, promoting equal opportunities for all candidates. To this end, interviewers and hiring managers will receive training on recognising and addressing unconscious bias, as well as utilising diversity-focused interview techniques, to ensure fair and equitable hiring practices. Finally, the company's DEI hiring targets will be communicated to external recruiters to inform the hiring process.

Diversity and Employee Engagement Targets for 2024



Increase diversity hiring by 2% compared to previous year



Adjust the Employee Satisfaction and Inclusion Survey to include a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion component with a specific focus on tracking percentage of new hires from diverse backgrounds

Furthermore, our Annual Operating Plan also includes reviewing and updating Human Resources policies to accommodate diverse legal, cultural, and regulatory requirements across different regions while aligning with our organisational values and objectives. Our target for 2024 under this objective is to achieve 80% compliance with HR policies within 12 months of implementation. This will be measured through the compliance rate with updated global Human Resources policies across various regions for Invictus Investment and related parties under our administration. To achieve this goal, specific initiatives will involve collaborating with legal advisors and regional Human Resources partners to ensure policies comply with local regulations, as well as implementing comprehensive communication and training sessions for HR personnel to ensure understanding and adherence to updated policies. These efforts underscore Invictus Investment' dedication to fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace culture where all employees can thrive.

Nurturing Our Talent

Skill development and training are integral components of Invictus Investment's organisational strategy, outlined within our Human Resources AOP. The company maintains specific policies regarding professional development and support for higher education, ensuring a structured approach to employee growth. The talent management division is responsible for capturing the learning & development requirements on an individual level via the Performance Management Form. As part of the AOP process departmental Learning and Development needs are also captured. This forms the basis for resource and time allocation towards Learning and Development with the Human Resources Annual Operating Plan.

In parallel, talent management at Invictus Investment is centred on identifying and onboarding skilled professionals across all functions. This strategic emphasis not only enables the pursuit of opportunities and realisation of synergies but also effectively mitigates risks associated with the company's growth journey. As Invictus Investment strengthens its organisational structure and capabilities, its dedication to acquiring and nurturing talent remains fundamental to achieving ambitious growth aspirations.

The Invictus performance management policy framework mandates that all employees undergo three formal performance planning and review sessions throughout the performance year. Additionally, continuous feedback outside of the framework is strongly encouraged to foster ongoing development and improvement.

Value Chain Expansion Trainings

One of Invictus' Annual Operating Plan objectives for 2024 is to administer training programs aimed at enhancing the skills required to support Value Chain Expansion initiatives, ensuring that employees across various departments possess the competencies necessary to meet the evolving needs of the business. To gauge the effectiveness of these training efforts, we will utilise post-training feedback and assessments where applicable. Our target is to achieve a 70% feedback rate for conducted trainings. Initiatives under this objective include identifying skill gaps through competency assessments and performance evaluations, as well as collaborating with subject matter experts to design and deliver targeted training modules.

In 2023, employees collectively underwent 1,017 hours of training. This comprised 550.25 hours for male employees and 466.75 hours for female employees. This represents a significant increase from the previous year, during which a total of 360 training hours were completed. Specifically, male employees received 168 hours of training last year, while female employees received 192 hours.

TRAINING HOURS PER EMPLOYEE CATEGORY



2023 Learning and Development Highlights

hours of training per employee on average

Total: 360

Total: 1,017

hours of e-training

AED invested in emplovee training

Protecting Employee Health & Safety

of full-time employees are 100% provided with health insurance

At Invictus Investment, management prioritises employees' health and safety by conducting regular risk assessments, implementing preventive measures, and establishing clear communication channels for reporting concerns. Emergency response plans are in place, with regular audits ensuring compliance with health and safety standards. Continuous improvement is underscored through feedback mechanisms, promptly addressing identified issues.

An occupational health and safety management system has been implemented. The implementation is driven by a combination of legal requirements and adherence to recongised risk management system standards, ensuring comprehensive compliance with regulations and industry best practices. Regular assessments are conducted to verify the effectiveness of the system in maintaining a safe work environment.

The occupational health and safety management system covers all employees, contractors, and visitors engaged in work activities within the organisation. For contractors, it depends on the type of work and the number of employees deployed for a contract. It encompasses a broad range of activities, including but not limited to production, maintenance, and administrative functions. The system applies to all workplaces under the organisation's jurisdiction, ensuring a consistent and comprehensive approach to health and safety across various work environments.

The organisation employs a systematic hazard identification process, encompassing routine workplace inspections, employee feedback mechanisms, and incident reporting. Risk assessments are regularly conducted to gauge the likelihood and severity of identified hazards. Employees are empowered to halt work they perceive as hazardous through established policies, while confidential reporting channels foster an environment of open communication, where employees can raise concerns without fear of reprisal.



Regular training reinforces these protocols, promoting a proactive safety approach. Additionally, workers are consulted during changes that may affect health and safety, such as the introduction of new processes or technologies. To ensure effective dissemination of relevant occupational health and safety (OHS) information, various communication channels, including meetings, newsletters, and notice boards, are utilised. Furthermore, easy access to OHS documentation, including policies, procedures, and emergency response plans, is provided through shared platforms or physical copies, ensuring accessibility for all employees.

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Our Consumers

Product Quality and Safety

We are dedicated to providing quality products that meet the highest standards, ensuring consumer satisfaction and wellbeing. Our quality assurance processes include compliance with the Quality Management System (QMS) and Food Safety Management System (FSMS). These processes are built upon a risk-based approach to help ensure the conformity of raw materials, in-process materials, and finished products to the specified requirements.

We work with associates and independent surveyors for quality assurance to ensure our commodities adhere to defined quality & food safety standards. Our products are tailored to meet our customers' certification requirements including Kosher, Halal, FSMS, FSSC and HAACP.











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Environmental Stewardship

- Energy and Emissions
- Water



Invictus Investment Company PLC

Environmental Stewardship

As we embark on our inaugural year of reporting on environmental metrics, we underscore our dedication to prioritising sustainability. With a profound understanding of the importance of investing in nature, we are laying the groundwork for a comprehensive environmental strategy, set to commence in 2024. As part of our initial focus, we place particular emphasis on energy and emissions management and resource efficiency with a heightened focus on water.

Energy and Emissions

Environmental stewardship is a core commitment at Invictus Investment, and we prioritize sustainable practices with a specific focus on energy and emissions. Conscious of our ecological footprint, we strive to minimize energy consumption and reduce emissions throughout our operations. By implementing efficient energy management strategies and embracing cleaner technologies, we contribute to a lower carbon footprint and promote environmental sustainability. To this end, we routinely encourage employees to turn off lights, computers, and other equipment when not in use.

Water

Recognising the critical importance of water as a finite resource, we implement rigorous measures to ensure water conservation, efficiency, and responsible usage across our operations. Through strategic initiatives, we actively engage in minimising our water footprint and seek sustainable solutions that align with our broader environmental objectives. To this end, we routinely encourage employees to report leaks promptly and adopt water-saving habits in their daily activities.

Description	2023
Total fuel consumption from company-owned vehicles	22,000 Liters
Total electricity consumption	476,660 kWh

Emissions (kg of CO2e)	2023
Scope 1	58,882.8
Scope 2	185,897.4

Description	2023
Total water consumption	500,720 (IG) Liters







Indices

• GRI and ADX Indices



GRISTANDARD	DISCLOSURES	LOCATION	OMISSION	ADX ESG Guidelines Reference Number	GRI STANDARD	DISCLOSURES	LOCATION	OMISSION	ADX ESG Guidelines Reference Number
GRI 2: General disc	closures 2021				Material topics				
	2-1 Organizational details	8			GRI 3: Material Topics	3-1 Process to determine material topics	12		
	2-2 Entities included in the organization's sustainability			G7. Sustainability	2021	3-2 List of material topics	7		
	reporting	8		Reporting	Economic performanc		_		
	2-3 Reporting period, frequency and contact point	3		G8. Disclosure Practices	2021	3–3 Management of material topics	6		E10. Climate Ri Mitigation
	2-4 Restatements of information				1	201-1 Direct economic value generated and distributed	6	The Company	
	2-5 External assurance		Inaugural report	G9. External Assurance	Performance 2016	201-2 Financial implications and other risks and opportunities due to climate change		The Company is exploring this analysis.	
	2-6 Activities, value chain and other business					201-3 Defined benefit plan obligations and other retirement plans	21		
	relationships					201-4 Financial assistance received from government	N/A		
	2-7 Employees	21		S5. Temporary Worker Patio	Market presence	T	_		
		(Worker Ratio	GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	N/A		
		N/A				202-1 Ratios of standard entry level wage by gender compared to local minimum wage	N/A		
		16			GRI 202: Market Presence 2016	202-2 Proportion of senior management hired from the local community	N/A		S11.
	2-10 Nomination and selection of the highest governance body	16		J	Indirect economic imp				Nationalisation
		16		+	GPI 3: Material Topics	- 	T	T	G4. Supplier
				E8. Environmental	2021	3–3 Management of material topics	N/A		Code of cond
				Oversight		203-1 Infrastructure investments and services supported	N/A		
	2-12 Role of the highest governance body in	16		(Management)E9. Environmental	Economic Impacts 2016	203-2 Significant indirect economic impacts	N/A		
	overseeing the management of impacts			Oversight (Board)G2. Board Independence E8. Environmental	Procurement practice GRI 3: Material Topics				G4. Supplier Code of conductG5.
RI 2: General sclosures 2021	2-13 Delegation of responsibility for managing impacts2-14 Role of the highest governance body in	16		E8. Environmental Oversight E8. Environmental	2021	3-3 Management of material topics	19		Ethics and prevention of
	2-14 Role of the highest governance body in sustainability reporting	16		E8. Environmental Oversight	GRI 204: Procurement				corruption
		18		,	Practices 2016	^t 204-1 Proportion of spending on local suppliers	N/A		
		16		1	Anti-corruption				
	2.17 Collective knowledge of the highest governance	Corporate Governance Report			GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	18		
	2.19 Evaluation of the performance of the highest			+	GRI 205: Anti-	205-1 Operations assessed for risks related to corruption	18	/	
	governance body	Corporate Governance Report			corruption 2016	205-2 Communication and training about anti-corruption policies and procedures 205-3 Confirmed incidents of corruption and actions taken	18		
	2-19 Remuneration policies	Corporate Governance Report		G3. Incentivized Pay	Anti-competitive beha	havior			
	2-20 Process to determine remuneration	Corporate Governance Report			GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	18		
	2-21 Annual total compensation ratio	N/A		S1. CEO Pay Ratio	GRI 206: Anti-				
		12		,	competitive Behavior 2016	206-1 Legal actions for anti-competitive behavior, anti-trust, and monopoly practices	18		
		18		1	Tax				
		18		 	GRI 3: Material Topics	3-3 Management of material topics	19		
		Corporate Governance Report		+	2021	207-1 Approach to tax			_
	2-26 Mechanisms for seeking advice and raising			+		207-1 Approach to tax 207-2 Tax governance, control, and risk management	19		
	concerns	Corporate Governance Report			1	207-2 Tax governance, control, and hisk management 207-3 Stakeholder engagement and management of concerns related to tax	19	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	2-27 Compliance with laws and regulations	17					1-		
	2-28 Membership associations	17			GRI 207: Tax 2019				
		12		1		207-4 Country-by-country reporting	19	3	71
			Not permissible as per		1			U	
	2-30 Collective bargaining agreements	1	UAE Law						

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				Number					Number
Materials					Waste				
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	N/A			GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics			
	301-1 Materials used by weight or volume	N/A				306-1 Waste generation and significant waste-related impacts		The Company established its	
GRI 301: Materials 2016	301-2 Recycled input materials used	N/A				306-2 Management of significant waste-related impacts		baseline	
	301-3 Reclaimed products and their packaging materials	N/A			GRI 306: Waste 2020	306-3 Waste generated		assessment this	S
Energy						306-4 Waste diverted from disposal		year.	
GRI 3: Material Topics				E7.		306-5 Waste directed to disposal			
2021	3-3 Management of material topics	28		Environmental Operations	Supplier environmen	ntal assessment			
	302-1 Energy consumption within the organization	28		E3. Energy UsageE5.	GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	19		
				Energy Mix	GRI 308: Supplier	308-1 New suppliers that were screened using environmental criteria	19		
	302-2 Energy consumption outside of the organization	N/A	The Company		Environmental	308-2 Negative environmental impacts in the supply chain and actions taken	19		
GRI 302: Energy 2016	302-3 Energy intensity	N/A	established its	E4. Energy		500-2 Negative environmentar impacts in the supply chain and actions taken			
			baseline	Intensity	Employment			Т	
	302-4 Reduction of energy consumption	N/A	assessment this year.	5	GRI 3: Material Topics	3-3 Management of material topics	21		
	302-5 Reductions in energy requirements of products and services	N/A	year.		2021				
Water and effluents GRI 3: Material Topics		28			GRI 401: Employment	401-1 New employee hires and employee turnover	23		S3. Employee Turnover
2021					2016	401-2 Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to temporary or	21		
	303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource 28	28				part-time employees	22		
			The Company	E6. Water UsageE7.		401-3 Parental leave	23		
GRI 303: Water and	303-2 Management of water discharge-related impacts		established its	Environmental	Labor/management		T		
Effluents 2018			baseline	Operation	GRI 3: Material Topics	3-3 Management of material topics	21		
	303-3 Water withdrawal		assessment this year.	5					
	303-4 Water discharge		y		GRI 402: Labor/Management	402-1 Minimum notice periods regarding operational changes		Data not	
	303-5 Water consumption	28		E6. Water Usage				available	
Biodiversity					Occupational health	and safety			
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics				GRI 3: Material Topics		25		S8. Global Health and
	304-1 Operational sites owned, leased, managed in, or adjacent to, protected areas and areas of high biodiversity value outside protected areas		Not deemed		2021	403-1 Occupational health and safety management system	25		Safety
GRI 304: Biodiversity	304-2 Significant impacts of activities, products and services on biodiversity		material			403-2 Hazard identification, risk assessment, and incident investigation	25		
2016	304-3 Habitats protected or restored					403-3 Occupational health services	25		
	304-4 IUCN Red List species and national conservation list species with habitats in areas affected by operations					403-4 Worker participation, consultation, and communication on occupational health	25		
Emissions						and safety			
GRI 3: Material Topics				E7.	GRI 403: Occupational Health	403-5 Worker training on occupational health and safety	25		
2021	3-3 Management of material topics	28		Environmental Operations	and Safety 2018	403-6 Promotion of worker health	25		
	305-1 Direct (Scope 1) GHG emissions	28		E1. GHG Emissions		403-7 Prevention and mitigation of occupational health and safety impacts directly linked by business relationships	25		
				E1. GHG	1	403-8 Workers covered by an occupational health and safety management system	25		
	305-2 Energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions	28		Emissions		403-9 Work-related injuries	N/A		S7. Injury rate
	305-3 Other indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions		Data not		1	403-10 Work-related ill health	N/A		
			available		Training and educati	ion	·		
GRI 305: Emissions 2016	305-4 GHG emissions intensity		Data not available	E2. Emissions Intensity	GRI 3: Material Topics 2021		24		
	305-5 Reduction of GHG emissions		Data not available			404-1 Average hours of training per year per employee	24		
	305-6 Emissions of ozone-depleting substances (ODS)		Data not available			404-2 Programs for upgrading employee skills and transition assistance programs	24		
			-		Education 2016	404-3 Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career			

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Diversity and equal o	pportunity				Supplier social asses	sment
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	22			GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics
GRI 405: Diversity and Equal	405-1 Diversity of governance bodies and employees	22		S4. Gender DiversityG1. Board Diversity	GRI 414: Supplier Social Assessment	414-1 New suppliers that were screened using social criteria 414-2 Negative social impacts in the supply chain and actions tak
Opportunity 2016	405-2 Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men		Data not available		2016 Public policy	
Non-discrimination					GRI 3: Material	3-3 Management of material topics
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	22		S6. Non- discrimination	GRI 415: Public Policy	415-1 Political contributions
GRI 406: Non- discrimination 2016	406-1 Incidents of discrimination and corrective actions taken	22			Customer health and	l safety
Freedom of associat	ion and collective bargaining				GRI 3: Material	3-3 Management of material topics
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics				Topics 2021	416-1 Assessment of the health and safety impacts of product an
GRI 407: Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining	407-1 Operations and suppliers in which the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining may be at risk		Not permissible as per UAE Law		GRI 416: Customer Health and Safety 2016	416-2 Incidents of non-compliance concerning the health and saf products and services
2016	Collective bargaining may be at risk				Marketing and labeli	ng
Child labor				-	GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	19				417-1 Requirements for product and service information and labe
GRI 408: Child Labor 2016	408-1 Operations and suppliers at significant risk for incidents of child labor	19		S9. Child & Forced Labor	GRI 417: Marketing and Labeling 2016	417-2 Incidents of non-compliance concerning product and servi labeling
Forced or compulso	ry labor					417-3 Incidents of non-compliance concerning marketing comm
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics	19			Customer privacy GRI 3: Material	
GRI 409: Forced or Compulsory Labor	409-1 Operations and suppliers at significant risk for incidents of forced or compulsory labor	19			GRI 418: Customer	3-3 Management of material topics418-1 Substantiated complaints concerning breaches of custome
2016 Security practices					Privacy 2016	of customer data
GRI 3: Material						
Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics		Not deemed			
GRI 410: Security Practices 2016	410-1 Security personnel trained in human rights policies or procedures		material.	S10. Human Rights		
Rights of indigenous	peoples					
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics					
GRI 411: Rights of Indigenous Peoples 2016	411-1 Incidents of violations involving rights of indigenous peoples		– Not deemed material.			
Local communities				·		
GRI 3: Material Topics 2021	3-3 Management of material topics		The			
GRI 413: Local	413-1 Operations with local community engagement, impact assessments, and development programs		The Company is exploring this	S12. Community Investment		
Communities 2016	413-2 Operations with significant actual and potential negative impacts on local communities		topic.			

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		Not deemed material.	
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and service categories	26		
afety impacts of		Data not available	
peling		Not deemed	
vice information and		material.	
munications			
	17		
ner privacy and losses	17		G6. Data Privacy

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