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1 Introduction

This environmental report is the second issue of an annual report about EcoVision N.V. (hereafter EcoVision). The aim of the report is to report all sustainability related activities and progress made in the calendar year 2019.

EcoVision is an environmental consultancy established on Curaçao since 1993. EcoVision offers a broad range of environmental consulting services in the Dutch Caribbean. As of January 2020, EcoVision employs 4 people on a permanent basis.

EcoVision is situated in an office building shared with other companies. EcoVision rents two (air conditioned) office spaces and shares other facilities including a meeting room, rest rooms, a small kitchen, reception area and parking lot.

Our mission

EcoVision's mission is: "Helping the customer to make environmentally responsible and sustainable decisions, by applying analytical research and an open dialogue with stakeholders."

2 Environmental highlights 2019

2.1 Review goals 2019

In 2019, EcoVision aimed to realize the following objectives from its environmental policy:

- Offering glass and ink cartridges to recycling companies for reuse/downcycling;
- Each employee spends (at least) one day per year on a social voluntary activity (e.g. CuraDoet, Curaçao Clean Up);
- Obtaining sustainability certification, level 2 ('Cocoon level'), from the Curaçao Business Council for Sustainable Development (BPM).

All goals with the exception of offering ink cartridges for recycling were achieved. Empty ink cartridges are still not discarded, but stored separately.

2.2 Impacts

EcoVision's direct impacts on the environment mainly result from the burning of fuel for transport (air and road travel) and the use of electricity (generated by burning fuel), for running electrical appliances such as air conditioners and computers.

The fuel and electricity consumption attributable to EcoVision activities was assessed and used to calculate a carbon footprint for 2019 using international and self-determined conversion factors.

EcoVision's carbon footprint in 2019 was assessed to be 13,2 kilotonnes CO₂. The main contributions to the footprint were air travel, use of air conditioners and travel by car (including home-work travel). Figure 2.1 gives an overview of the yearly CO₂ footprint from 2016 to 2019.

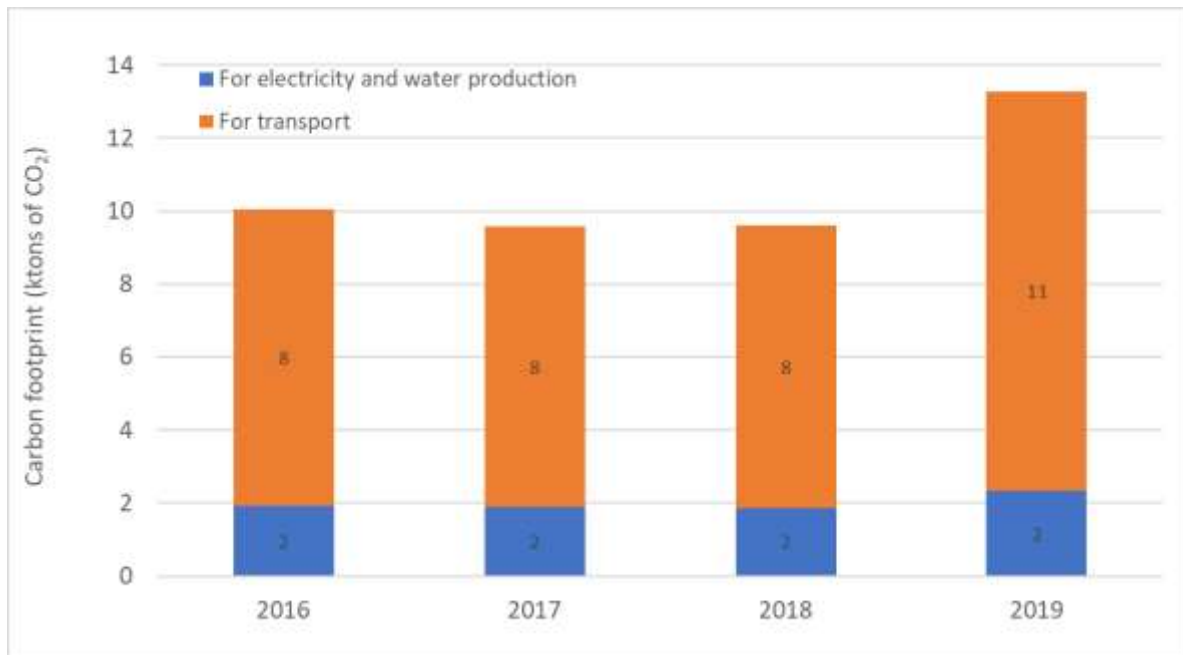


Figure 2.1: Calculated carbon footprint per year.

The CO₂ footprint was calculated to be substantially higher in 2019 compared to 2018. This is due to an increase in air travel. Also, more accurate accounting of parcels ordered and received by EcoVision led to an increased sum of CO₂ emissions resulting from air travel.

Of all the electrical appliances in use at EcoVision the air conditioners by far consume the most electricity. Figure 2.2 shows the electricity consumption per appliance in 2019.

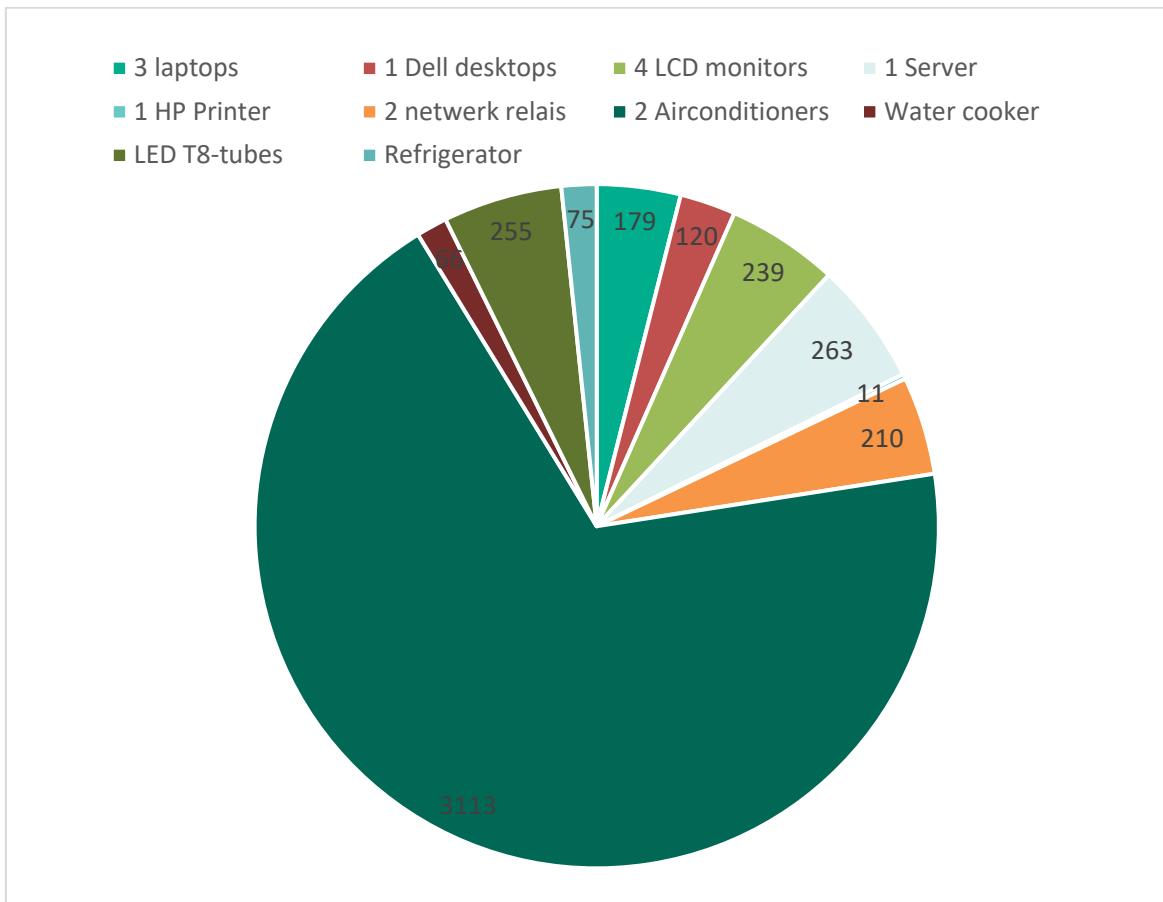


Figure 2.2: Estimated electricity consumption EcoVision in 2019 in kWh (total = 4531 kWh).

2.3 Achievements

BPM caterpillar certification

The first level of the Minimum Sustainability Standards (level: Caterpillar) was awarded by the Curaçao Business Council for Sustainability in 2018. In 2019 the second level (Cocoon) was achieved.

Social voluntary activity

EcoVision personnel took part in the yearly CuraDoet volunteer initiative by assisting a health clinic with planting a variety of small trees in a garden.

Solar power

In 2019 EcoVision generated 5,9 MWh solar power using photovoltaic panels. Figure 2.2 shows the amount of generated electricity from 2014 to 2019.

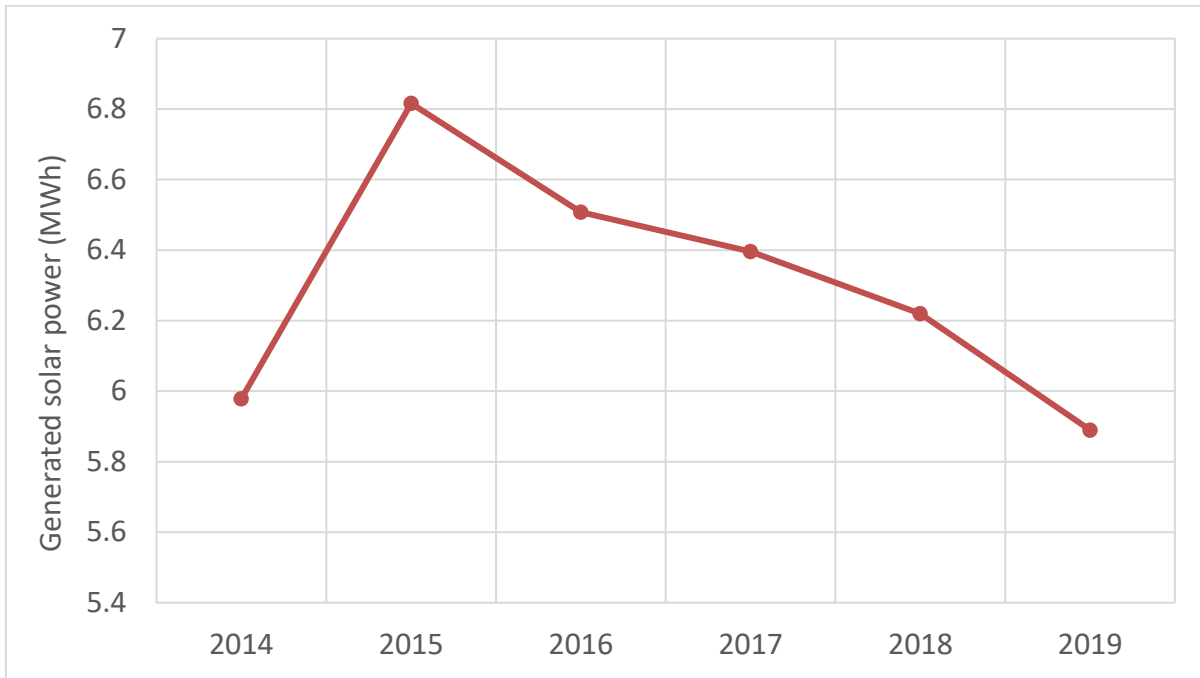


Figure 2.2: Generated solar power (MWh) from 2014 to 2019 using photovoltaic panels.

3 Goals for 2020

In 2020, EcoVision aims to realize the following objectives from its environmental policy:

- Install an electrical charging outlet (regular power, 230 V) for electric vehicles at the parking lot;
- Plant a tree on the premises;
- Install LED lighting in the meeting room and reception area;
- Each employee spends (at least) one day per year on a social activity (e.g. CuraDoet, Curaçao Clean Up).
- Offering ink cartridges to recycling company for reuse/downcycling.