

INFORMATION ABOUT ŽEMAITIJOS PIENAS AB COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE OF NASDAQ VILNIUS LISTED COMPANIES 2020

Žemaitijos pienas AB (hereinafter - the Company) submits and indicates how it complies with the provisions of the **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE OF NASDAQ VILNIUS LISTED COMPANIES**. This document indicates which provisions are not followed stating the reasons and circumstances; certain principles of corporate governance have not yet been implemented due to the global pandemic (COVID -19) - part of the human resources is focused on the latter problem, part of the recommendations in the Company's activities will be applied gradually, part of the recommendations have already been implemented.

Summary of the corporate governance report

The management structure of the company consists of four levels - the general meeting of shareholders, the Supervisory Board, the board and the manager. In 2020, the Supervisory Board had three members, the Board consisted of five members¹, the members of the Board are elected or withdrawn by the Supervisory Board, the function of election and removal from office of the latter belongs to the General Meeting of Shareholders. Elect and removal from office of the head of the company is within the competence of the Board.

More detailed information on the Company's management, shareholders' rights, members of bodies and other facts is provided in the section "Management Report" of the Company's consolidated annual report for 2020. This document is an integral part of the annual report and is published in accordance with the procedure established by legal acts

PRINCIPLES/RECOMMENDATIONS	YES/ IRRELVANT	COMMENTARY
Prin	ciple 1:	
The general meeting, the impartial treatment of shareholders and the rights of shareholders The corporate governance system should ensure the impartial treatment of all shareholders. The corporate governance framework should protect the rights of shareholders.		
1.1. All shareholders should be provided with access to the information and/or documents established in the legal acts on equal terms. All shareholders should be furnished with equal opportunity to participate in the decision-making process where significant corporate matters are discussed.	Yes	The Company publishes the most significant information publicly, presents it at the general meetings of shareholders and creates conditions for other ways to become acquainted with it and participate in the management of the company in the ways and according to the procedure provided by legal acts. All shareholders are given equal opportunities to know and receive information about the company.
1.2. It is recommended that the company's capital should consist only of the shares that grant the same rights to voting, ownership, dividend and other rights to all of their holders.	Yes	

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The board currently has five "de facto" members, with a de jure number of seven



1.3. It is recommended that investors should have		The company's shares give all shareholders
access to the information concerning the rights attached to the shares of the new issue or those issued earlier in advance, i.e. before they purchase shares.	Yes	equal rights.
1.4. Exclusive transactions that are particularly important to the company, such as transfer of all or almost all assets of the company which in principle would mean the transfer of the company, should be subject to approval of the general meeting of shareholders	Yes	In accordance with the procedure and conditions established by legal acts.
1.5. Procedures for convening and conducting a general meeting of shareholders should provide shareholders with equal opportunities to participate in the general meeting of shareholders and should not prejudice the rights and interests of shareholders. The chosen venue, date and time of the general meeting of shareholders should not prevent active participation of shareholders at the general meeting. In the notice of the general meeting of shareholders being convened, the company should specify the last day on which the proposed draft decisions should be submitted at the latest.	Yes	The company ensures this shareholder's right in accordance with the procedure and conditions established by legal acts.
1.6. With a view to ensure the right of shareholders living abroad to access the information, it is recommended, where possible, that documents prepared for the general meeting of shareholders in advance should be announced publicly not only in Lithuanian language but also in English and/or other foreign languages in advance. It is recommended that the minutes of the general meeting of shareholders after the signing thereof and/or adopted decisions should be made available publicly not only in Lithuanian languages. It is recommended that this information should be placed on the website of the company. Such documents may be published to the extent that their public disclosure is not detrimental to the company or the company's commercial secrets are not revealed.	Yes	The recommendation is followed, the rights of shareholders residing abroad regarding the receipt and/or acquaintance of information are ensured.
1.7. Shareholders who are entitled to vote should be furnished with the opportunity to vote at the general meeting of shareholders both in person and in absentia. Shareholders should not be prevented from voting in writing in advance by completing the general voting ballot.	Yes	Shareholders are provided with the opportunity to vote both in advance and directly at shareholders' meetings.
1.8. With a view to increasing the shareholders' opportunities to participate effectively at general meetings of shareholders, it is recommended that companies should apply modern technologies on a wider scale and thus provide shareholders with the conditions to participate and vote in general meetings of shareholders via electronic means of communication. In such cases the security of transmitted information must be ensured and it must be possible to identify the participating and voting person.	Yes	After evaluating the shareholders' justified, realistic and reasonable proposals for the application of electronic means at general meetings, also after assessing other conditions, including the interests of all shareholders, economic costs, technological opportunities and other aspects in the future, and at the request and initiatives of shareholders, the company would consider this recommendation.



1.9. It is recommended that the notice on the draft decisions of the general meeting of shareholders being		Subject to objective and reasonable
convened should specify new candidatures of members	Yes	possibilities.
of the collegial body, their proposed remuneration and		
the proposed audit company if these issues are included		
into the agenda of the general meeting of shareholders.		
Where it is proposed to elect a new member of the		
collegial body, it is recommended that the information		
about his/her educational background, work experience		
and other managerial positions held (or proposed)		
should be provided.		
1.10. Members of the company's collegial management		
body, heads of the administration or other competent		Subject to objective and reasonable
persons related to the company who can provide	Yes	possibilities.
information related to the agenda of the general		
meeting of shareholders should take part in the general		
meeting of shareholders. Proposed candidates to		
member of the collegial body should also participate in		
the general meeting of shareholders in case the election		
of new members is included into the agenda of the		
general meeting of shareholders.		

Principle 2: Supervisory Board

2.1. Functions and liability of the Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board of the company should ensure representation of the interests of the company and its shareholders, accountability of this body to the shareholders and objective monitoring of the company's operations and its management bodies as well as constantly provide recommendations to the management bodies of the company. The Supervisory Board should ensure the integrity and transparency of the company's financial accounting and control system.

financial accounting and control system.		
2.1.1. Members of the Supervisory Board should act in	Vee	The majority of the Supervisory Board is
good faith, with care and responsibility for the benefit and in the interests of the company and its shareholders	Yes	independent, which ensures that they act responsibly with respect to all stakeholders.
and represent their interests, having regard to the		responsibly with respect to an stakeholders.
interests of employees and public welfare.		
2.1.2. Where decisions of the Supervisory Board may		The majority of the Supervisory Board is
have a different effect on the interests of the company's		independent, which ensures that they act
shareholders, the Supervisory Board should treat all	Yes	responsibly with respect to all stakeholders.
shareholders impartially and fairly. It should ensure that		
shareholders are properly informed about the		
company's strategy, risk management and control, and		
resolution of conflicts of interest.		
2.1.3. The Supervisory Board should be impartial in		The majority of the Supervisory Board is
passing decisions that are significant for the company's	Yes	independent, which ensures that they act
operations and strategy. Members of the Supervisory		responsibly with respect to all stakeholders.
Board should act and pass decisions without an external		
influence from the persons who elected them.		
2.1.4. Members of the Supervisory Board should		
clearly voice their objections in case they believe that a	V	The members of the Supervisory Board act
decision of the Supervisory Board is against the	Yes	impartially, therefore the decisions made are
interests of the company. Independent members of the Supervisory Board should: a) maintain independence of		in the interests of the majority of all shareholders of the company and/or other
their analysis and decision-making; b) not seek or		entities.
accept any unjustified privileges that might		chutes.
compromise their independence.		
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2.1.5. The Supervisory Board should oversee that the company's tax planning strategies are designed and implemented in accordance with the legal acts in order to avoid faulty practice that is not related to the long-term interests of the company and its shareholders, which may give rise to reputational, legal or other risks.	Yes	The Supervisory Board acts and/or seeks to avoid any risks that would adversely affect the company or its shareholders, firstly by ensuring that the members of the Supervisory Board have a high level of competence and, secondly, that most of them are not related to the company.
2.1.6. The company should ensure that the Supervisory Board is provided with sufficient resources (including financial ones) to discharge their duties, including the right to obtain all the necessary information or to seek independent professional advice from external legal, accounting or other experts on matters pertaining to the competence of the Supervisory Board and its committees.	Yes	Conditions shall be created for the proper performance of duties and the conditions for the performance of functions shall be granted free of charge.

2.2. Formation of the Supervisory Board

The procedure of the formation of the Supervisory Board should ensure proper resolution of conflicts of interest and effective and fair corporate governance.

 2.2.1. The members of the Supervisory Board elected by the general meeting of shareholders should collectively ensure the diversity of qualifications, professional experience and competences and seek for gender equality. With a view to maintain a proper balance between the qualifications of the members of the Supervisory Board, it should be ensured that members of the Supervisory Board, as a whole, should have diverse knowledge, opinions and experience to duly perform their tasks. 2.2.2. Members of the Supervisory Board should be 	Yes	All members of the Supervisory Board have long-term work experience and high qualifications.
appointed for a specific term, subject to individual re- election for a new term in office in order to ensure necessary development of professional experience.	Yes	
2.2.3. Chair of the Supervisory Board should be a person whose current or past positions constituted no obstacle to carry out impartial activities. A former manager or management board member of the company should not be immediately appointed as chair of the Supervisory Board either. Where the company decides to depart from these recommendations, it should provide information on the measures taken to ensure impartiality of the supervision.	Yes	
2.2.4. Each member should devote sufficient time and attention to perform his duties as a member of the Supervisory Board. Each member of the Supervisory Board should undertake to limit his other professional obligations (particularly the managing positions in other companies) so that they would not interfere with the proper performance of the duties of a member of the Supervisory Board. Should a member of the Supervisory Board attend less than a half of the meetings of the Supervisory Board throughout the financial year of the company, the shareholders of the company should be notified thereof.	Yes	
2.2.5. When it is proposed to appoint a member of the Supervisory Board, it should be announced which members of the Supervisory Board are deemed to be independent. The Supervisory Board may decide that, despite the fact that a particular member meets all the	Yes	



criteria of independence, he/she cannot be considered independent due to special personal or company-related circumstances.		
2.2.6. The amount of remuneration to members of the Supervisory Board for their activity and participation in meetings of the Supervisory Board should be approved by the general meeting of shareholders.	Yes	The annual budget of the remuneration of the members of the Supervisory Board is determined by the general meeting of shareholders of the company.
2.2.7. Every year the Supervisory Board should carry out an assessment of its activities. It should include evaluation of the structure of the Supervisory Board, its work organisation and ability to act as a group, evaluation of the competence and work efficiency of each member of the Supervisory Board, and evaluation whether the Supervisory Board has achieved its objectives. The Supervisory Board should, at least once a year, make public respective information about its internal structure and working procedures.	Yes	The activities of the members of the Supervisory Board are evaluated by other bodies of the company, and the shareholders' meeting may remove any member from office if the member (s) perform their functions unsatisfactorily.

Principle 3: Management board

The management board should ensure the implementation of the company's strategy and good corporate governance with due regard to the interests of its shareholders, employees and other interest groups.

3.1.1. The management board should ensure the implementation of the company's strategy approved by the Supervisory Board if the latter has been formed at the company. In such cases where the Supervisory Board is not formed, the management board is also responsible for the approval of the company's strategy.	Yes	The Board carries out and implements strategic plans and goals, directly implements the tasks or ideas formed by the General Meeting of Shareholders.
3.1.2. As a collegial management body of the company, the management board performs the functions assigned to it by the Law and in the articles of association of the company, and in such cases where the Supervisory Board is not formed in the company, it performs <i>inter alia</i> the supervisory functions established in the Law. By performing the functions assigned to it, the management board should take into account the needs of the company's shareholders, employees and other interest groups by respectively striving to achieve sustainable business development.	Yes	In carrying out the functions assigned to it, the Board takes into account the needs of the company, shareholders, employees and other stakeholders in order to achieve sustainable business development.
3.1.3. The management board should ensure compliance with the laws and the internal policy of the company applicable to the company or a group of companies to which this company belongs. It should also establish the respective risk management and control measures aimed at ensuring regular and direct liability of managers.	Yes	
3.1.4. The management board should ensure that the measures included into the OECD Good Practice Guidance on Internal Controls, Ethics and Compliance are applied at the company in order to ensure adherence to the applicable laws, rules and standards.	Yes	Subject to possibilities.
When appointing the manager of the company, the management board should take into account the appropriate balance between the candidate's qualifications, experience and competence.	Yes	



3.2. Formation of the management board		
3.2.1. The members of the management board elected by the Supervisory Board or, if the Supervisory Board is not formed, by the general meeting of shareholders should collectively ensure the required diversity of qualifications, professional experience and competences and seek for gender equality. With a view to maintain a proper balance in terms of the current qualifications possessed by the members of the management board, it should be ensured that the members of the management board would have, as a whole, diverse knowledge, opinions and experience to duly perform their tasks.	Yes	
3.2.2. Names and surnames of the candidates to become members of the management board, information on their educational background, qualifications, professional experience, current positions, other important professional obligations and potential conflicts of interest should be disclosed without violating the requirements of the legal acts regulating the handling of personal data at the meeting of the Supervisory Board in which the management board or individual members of the management board are elected. In the event that the Supervisory Board is not formed, the information specified in this paragraph should be submitted to the general meeting of shareholders. The management board should, on yearly basis, collect data provided in this paragraph on its members and disclose it in the company's annual	Yes	
report. 3.2.3. All new members of the management board should be familiarised with their duties and the structure and operations of the company.	Yes	All members are familiarized with and clarified their rights and responsibilities.
3.2.4. Members of the management board should be appointed for a specific term, subject to individual re- election for a new term in office in order to ensure necessary development of professional experience and sufficiently frequent reconfirmation of their status.	Yes	
3.2.5. Chair of the management board should be a person whose current or past positions constitute no obstacle to carry out impartial activity. Where the Supervisory Board is not formed, the former manager of the company should not be immediately appointed as chair of the management board. When a company decides to depart from these recommendations, it should furnish information on the measures it has taken to ensure the impartiality of supervision.	Yes/No	The Chairman of the Board shall act as the Chief Executive Officer, but shall not vote when decisions that may give rise to a conflict of interest are taken.
3.2.6. Each member should devote sufficient time and attention to perform his duties as a member of the management board. Should a member of the management board attend less than a half of the meetings of the management board throughout the financial year of the company, the Supervisory Board of the company or, if the Supervisory Board is not formed at the company, the general meeting of shareholders should be notified thereof.	Yes	

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3.2.7. In the event that the management board is elected in the cases established by the Law where the Supervisory Board is not formed at the company, and some of its members will be independent, it should be announced which members of the management board are deemed as independent. The management board may decide that, despite the fact that a particular member meets all the criteria of independence established by the Law, he/she cannot be considered independent due to special personal or company-related circumstances.	Not relevant	
3.2.8. The general meeting of shareholders of the company should approve the amount of remuneration to the members of the management board for their activity and participation in the meetings of the management board.	Yes	The remuneration budget for independent members is approved by general meeting of shareholders of the company. No additional remuneration is paid to the members of the Board who work for the company under employment contracts.
3.2.9. The members of the management board should act in good faith, with care and responsibility for the benefit and the interests of the company and its shareholders with due regard to other stakeholders. When adopting decisions, they should not act in their personal interest; they should be subject to no-compete agreements and they should not use the business information or opportunities related to the company's operations in violation of the company's interests.	Yes	
3.2.10. Every year the management board should carry out an assessment of its activities. It should include evaluation of the structure of the management board, its work organisation and ability to act as a group, evaluation of the competence and work efficiency of each member of the management board, and evaluation whether the management board has achieved its objectives. The management board should, at least once a year, make public respective information about its internal structure and working procedures in observance of the legal acts regulating the processing of personal data.	Yes	The quality of the performance of the functions of the Board of the Company is assessed by other bodies of the Company.

Principle 4: Rules of procedure of the Supervisory Board and the management board of the company

The rules of procedure of the Supervisory Board, if it is formed at the company, and of the management board should ensure efficient operation and decision-making of these bodies and promote active cooperation between the company's management bodies.

4.1. The management board and the Supervisory Board, if the latter is formed at the company, should		
act in close cooperation in order to attain benefit for the		
company and its shareholders. Good corporate	Yes	
governance requires an open discussion between the		
management board and the Supervisory Board. The		
management board should regularly and, where		
necessary, immediately inform the Supervisory Board		
about any matters significant for the company that are		
related to planning, business development, risk		
management and control, and compliance with the		
obligations at the company. The management board		
should inform the Supervisory Board about any		



derogations in its business development from the		
previously formulated plans and objectives by		
specifying the reasons for this.		
4.2. It is recommended that meetings of the		
company's collegial bodies should be held at the respective intervals, according to the pre-approved	Yes	A provisional time table shall be approved,
schedule. Each company is free to decide how often	res	setting out the time, date and agenda of the meeting.
meetings of the collegial bodies should be convened		meeting.
but it is recommended that these meetings should be		
convened at such intervals that uninterruptable		
resolution of essential corporate governance issues		
would be ensured. Meetings of the company's collegial		
bodies should be convened at least once per quarter.		
4.3. Members of a collegial body should be notified of		
the meeting being convened in advance so that they		
would have sufficient time for proper preparation for		
the issues to be considered at the meeting and a fruitful		
discussion could be held and appropriate decisions		
could be adopted. Along with the notice of the meeting		Informed in advance by e-mail and/or other
being convened all materials relevant to the issues on	Yes	means.
the agenda of the meeting should be submitted to the		
members of the collegial body. The agenda of the		
meeting should not be changed or supplemented during		
the meeting, unless all members of the collegial body		
present at the meeting agree with such change or		
supplement to the agenda, or certain issues that are		
important to the company require immediate resolution		
4.4. In order to coordinate the activities of the		
company's collegial bodies and ensure effective		
decision-making process, the chairs of the company's	X 7	
collegial supervision and management bodies should	Yes	
mutually agree on the dates and agendas of the		
meetings and close cooperate in resolving other matters related to corporate governance. Meetings of the		
company's Supervisory Board should be open to		
members of the management board, particularly in such		
cases where issues concerning the removal of the		
management board members, their responsibility or		
remuneration are discussed.		
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Principle 5: Nomination, remuneration and audit committees

5.1.Purpose and formation of committees. The committees formed at the company should increase the work efficiency of the Supervisory Board or, where the Supervisory Board is not formed, of the management board which performs the supervisory functions by ensuring that decisions are based on due consideration and help organise its work in such a way that the decisions it takes would be free of material conflicts of interest. Committees should exercise independent judgment and integrity when performing their functions and provide the collegial body with recommendations concerning the decisions of the collegial body. However, the final decision should be adopted by the collegial body.

	An audit committee has been formed.
Yes/No	
	Yes/No



5.1.2.Companies may decide to set up less than three committees. In such case companies should explain in detail why they have chosen the alternative approach, and how the chosen approach corresponds with the objectives set for the three different committees.	Yes/No	The functions of the committees are currently performed by the collegial bodies themselves. In the company's opinion the formation of nomination and remuneration committees would be an excessive legalization of bodies in the company, especially since the Remuneration Policy is approved by the shareholders themselves, who, among other things, also evaluate its implementation, analogically with the Nomination Committee. The formation of additional structural bodies increases the company's administrative costs, the formation of additional committees would be a disproportionate measure in relation to the company's objectives.
5.1.3. In the cases established by the legal acts the functions assigned to the committees formed at companies may be performed by the collegial body itself. In such case the provisions of this Code pertaining to the committees (particularly those related to their role, operation and transparency) should apply, where relevant, to the collegial body as a whole.	Yes	The principle is partially implemented.
5.1.4. Committees established by the collegial body should normally be composed of at least three members. Subject to the requirements of the legal acts, committees could be comprised only of two members as well. Members of each committee should be selected on the basis of their competences by giving priority to independent members of the collegial body. The chair of the management board should not serve as the chair of committees.	Yes/No	The Company's Audit Committee consists of three members, and its chairman is completely independent.
5.1.5. The authority of each committee formed should be determined by the collegial body itself. Committees should perform their duties according to the authority delegated to them and regularly inform the collegial body about their activities and performance on a regular basis. The authority of each committee defining its role and specifying its rights and duties should be made public at least once a year (as part of the information disclosed by the company on its governance structure and practice on an annual basis). In compliance with the legal acts regulating the processing of personal data, companies should also include in their annual reports the statements of the existing committees on their composition, the number of meetings and attendance over the year as well as the main directions of their activities and performance.	Yes/No	
5.1.6. With a view to ensure the independence and impartiality of the committees, the members of the collegial body who are not members of the committees should normally have a right to participate in the meetings of the committee only if invited by the committee. A committee may invite or request that certain employees of the company or experts would participate in the meeting. Chair of each committee should have the possibility to maintain direct communication with the shareholders. Cases where such practice is to be applied should be specified in the	Yes/No	



rules regulating the activities of the committee.		
5.2. Nominat	ion committ	ee.
5.2.1. The key functions of the nomination committee		
should be the following: 1) to select candidates to fill		Not formed, the functions are performed by
vacancies in the membership of supervisory and		collegial bodies, as discussed in Point 5.1.2.
management bodies and the administration and		
recommend the collegial body to approve them. The		
nomination committee should evaluate the balance of	No	
skills, knowledge and experience in the management		
body, prepare a description of the functions and		
capabilities required to assume a particular position and		
assess the time commitment expected; 2) assess, on a		
regular basis, the structure, size and composition of the		
supervisory and management bodies as well as the		
skills, knowledge and activity of its members, and		
provide the collegial body with recommendations on		
how the required changes should be sought; 4) devote		
the attention necessary to ensure succession planning		
5.2.2. When dealing with issues related to members of		
the collegial body who have employment relationships	No	
with the company and the heads of the administration,		
the manager of the company should be consulted by		
granting him/her the right to submit proposals to the		
Nomination Committee.		

5.3. Remuneration committee.

The main functions of the remuneration committee should be as follows: submit to the collegial body proposals on the remuneration policy applied to		Not formed, the functions are performed by collegial bodies.
members of the supervisory and management bodies		The approved remuneration policy fully
and the heads of the administration for approval. Such		ensures that these functions are performed by
policy should include all forms of remuneration,	No	existing bodies.
including the fixed-rate remuneration, performance-		
based remuneration, financial incentive schemes,		
pension arrangements and termination payments as well		
as conditions which would allow the company to		
recover the amounts or suspend the payments by		
specifying the circumstances under which it would be		
expedient to do so; 2) submit to the collegial body		
proposals regarding individual remuneration for		
members of the collegial bodies and the heads of the		
administration in order to ensure that they would be		
consistent with the company's remuneration policy and		
the evaluation of the performance of the persons		
concerned;		
review, on a regular basis, the remuneration policy and		
its implementation.		

5.4. Audit committee.



5.4.1. The key functions of the audit committee are defined in the legal acts regulating the activities of the audit committee.	Yes	
5.4.2. All members of the committee should be provided with detailed information on specific issues of the company's accounting system, finances and operations. The heads of the company's administration should inform the audit committee about the methods of accounting for significant and unusual transactions where the accounting may be subject to different approaches.	Yes	All members of the audit committee are acquainted with the peculiarities of the company's activities, except for what is considered confidential information.
5.4.3. The audit committee should decide whether the participation of the chair of the management board, the manager of the company, the chief finance officer (or senior employees responsible for finance and accounting), the internal and external auditors in its meetings is required (and, if required, when). The committee should be entitled, when needed, to meet the relevant persons without members of the management bodies present.	Yes	Conditions are created for the realization of the principle.
5.4.4. The audit committee should be informed about the internal auditor's work programme and should be furnished with internal audit reports or periodic summaries. The audit committee should also be informed about the work programme of external auditors and should receive from the audit firm a report describing all relationships between the independent audit firm and the company and its group.	Yes	
5.4.5. The audit committee should examine whether the company complies with the applicable provisions regulating the possibility of lodging a complaint or reporting anonymously his/her suspicions of potential violations committed at the company and should also ensure that there is a procedure in place for proportionate and independent investigation of such issues and appropriate follow-up actions.	Yes	
5.4.6. The audit committee should submit to the Supervisory Board or, where the Supervisory Board is not formed, to the management board its activity report at least once in every six months, at the time that annual and half-yearly reports are approved.	Yes	

Principle 6: Prevention and disclosure of conflicts of interest

The corporate governance framework should encourage members of the company's supervisory and management bodies to avoid conflicts of interest and ensure a transparent and effective mechanism of disclosure of conflicts of interest related to members of the supervisory and management bodies.

Any member of the company's supervisory and management body should avoid a situation where his/her personal interests are or may be in conflict with the company's interests. In case such a situation did occur, a member of the company's supervisory or management body should, within a reasonable period of time, notify other members of the same body or the body of the company which elected him/her or the company's shareholders of such situation of a conflict of interest, indicate the nature of interests and, where	Yes	In accordance with the principle, each member of the supervisory and management body shall declare and confirm his interests in writing and undertake to avoid conflicts of interest.



possible, their value.				
Principle 7: Remuneration policy of the company				
The remuneration policy and the procedure for review and disclosure of such policy established at the company should prevent potential conflicts of interest and abuse in determining remuneration of members of the collegial bodies and heads of the administration, in addition it should ensure the publicity and transparency of the company's remuneration policy and its long-term strategy.				
7.1. The company should approve and post the remuneration policy on the website of the company; such policy should be reviewed on a regular basis and be consistent with the company's long-term strategy.	Yes	The remuneration policy has been approved by the company and is followed by the company.		
7.2. The remuneration policy should include all forms of remuneration, including the fixed-rate remuneration, performance-based remuneration, financial incentive schemes, pension arrangements and termination payments as well as the conditions specifying the cases where the company can recover the disbursed amounts or suspend the payments.	Yes			
7.3. With a view to avoid potential conflicts of interest, the remuneration policy should provide that members of the collegial bodies which perform the supervisory functions should not receive remuneration based on the company's performance.	Yes	The approved remuneration policy ensures that the principles and conditions set out in the Code of Governance are complied with.		
7.4. The remuneration policy should provide sufficient information on the policy regarding termination payments. Termination payments should not exceed a fixed amount or a fixed number of annual wages and in general should not be higher than the non-variable component of remuneration for two years or the equivalent thereof. Termination payments should not be paid if the contract is terminated due to inadequate performance.				
7.5. In the event that the financial incentive scheme is applied at the company, the remuneration policy should contain sufficient information about the retention of shares after the award thereof. Where remuneration is based on the award of shares, shares should not be vested at least for three years after the award thereof. After vesting, members of the collegial bodies and heads of the administration should retain a certain number of shares until the end of their term in office, subject to the need to compensate for any costs related to the acquisition of shares.				
7.6. The company should publish information about the implementation of the remuneration policy on its website, with a key focus on the remuneration policy in respect of the collegial bodies and managers in the next and, where relevant, subsequent financial years. It should also contain a review of how the remuneration policy was implemented during the previous financial year. The information of such nature should not include any details having a commercial value. Particular				



attention should be paid on the major changes in the company's remuneration policy, compared to the previous financial year.	
7.7. It is recommended that the remuneration policy or any major change of the policy should be included on the agenda of the general meeting of shareholders. The schemes under which members and employees of a collegial body receive remuneration in shares or share options should be approved by the general meeting of shareholders.	

Principle 8: Role of stakeholders in corporate governance

The corporate governance framework should recognise the rights of stakeholders entrenched in the laws or mutual agreements and encourage active cooperation between companies and stakeholders in creating the company value, jobs and financial sustainability. In the context of this principle the concept "*stakeholders*" includes investors, employees, creditors, suppliers, clients, local community and other persons having certain interests in the company concerned.

8.1. The corporate governance framework should ensure that the rights and lawful interests of	Yes	
stakeholders are protected.	105	
8.2. The corporate governance framework should create conditions for stakeholders to participate in corporate governance in the manner prescribed by law. Examples of participation by stakeholders in corporate governance include the participation of employees or their representatives in the adoption of decisions that are important for the company, consultations with employees or their representatives on corporate governance and other important matters, participation of employees in the company's authorised capital, involvement of creditors in corporate governance in the cases of the company's insolvency, etc.	Yes	Subject to reasonable possibilities
8.3. Where stakeholders participate in the corporate governance process, they should have access to relevant information.	Yes	In accordance with the procedure and conditions established by legal acts
8.4. Stakeholders should be provided with the possibility of reporting confidentially any illegal or unethical practices to the collegial body performing the supervisory function.	Yes	

Principle 9: Disclosure of information

The corporate governance framework should ensure the timely and accurate disclosure of all material corporate issues, including the financial situation, operations and governance of the company.



9.1.3. persons holding a stake in the company or		
controlling it directly and/or indirectly and/or together		
with related persons as well as the structure of the		
group of companies and their relationships by		
specifying the final beneficiary;		
9.1.4. members of the company's supervisory and		
management bodies who are deemed independent, the		
manager of the company, the shares or votes held by		
them at the company, participation in corporate		
governance of other companies, their competence and		
remuneration;		
9.1.5. reports of the existing committees on their		
composition, number of meetings and attendance of		
members during the last year as well as the main		
directions and results of their activities;		
9.1.6. potential key risk factors, the company's risk		
management and supervision policy;		
9.1.7. the company's transactions with related parties;		
9.1.8. main issues related to employees and other		
stakeholders (for instance, human resource policy,		
participation of employees in corporate governance,		
award of the company's shares or share options as		
incentives, relationships with creditors, suppliers, local		
community, etc.);		
9.1.9. structure and strategy of corporate governance;		
9.1.10. initiatives and measures of social responsibility		
policy and anti-corruption fight, significant current or		
planned investment projects.		
This list is deemed minimum and companies are		
encouraged not to restrict themselves to the disclosure		
of information included into this list. This principle of		
the Code does not exempt companies from their		
obligation to disclose information as provided for in the		
applicable legal acts		
9.2. When disclosing the information specified in		
paragraph 9.1.1 of recommendation 9.1, it is	Yes	
recommended that the company which is a parent		
company in respect of other companies should disclose		
information about the consolidated results of the whole		
group of companies.		
9.3. When disclosing the information specified in		
paragraph 9.1.4 of recommendation 9.1, it is		
recommended that the information on the professional		
experience and qualifications of members of the	Yes	
company's supervisory and management bodies and		
the manager of the company as well as potential		
conflicts of interest which could affect their decisions		
should be provided. It is further recommended that the		
remuneration or other income of members of the		
company's supervisory and management bodies and		
the manager of the company should be disclosed, as		
provided for in greater detail in Principle 7.		
9.4. Information should be disclosed in such manner	<u> </u>	
that no shareholders or investors are discriminated in		
	Yes	
terms of the method of receipt and scope of	res	
information. Information should be disclosed to all		
parties concerned at the same time.		



Principle 10: Selection of the company's audit firm

The company's audit firm selection mechanism should ensure the independence of the report and opinion of the audit firm.

10.1. With a view to obtain an objective opinion on the company's financial condition and financial results, the company's annual financial statements and the financial information provided in its annual report should be audited by an independent audit firm.	Yes	The audit is performed by an independent company.
10.2. It is recommended that the audit firm would be proposed to the general meeting of shareholders by the Supervisory Board or, if the Supervisory Board is not formed at the company, by the management board of the company.	Yes	The audit company is selected through a public tender from several (at least three) proposals.
10.3. In the event that the audit firm has received remuneration from the company for the non-audit services provided, the company should disclose this publicly. This information should also be available to the Supervisory Board or, if the Supervisory Board is not formed at the company, by the management board of the company when considering which audit firm should be proposed to the general meeting of shareholders.	Yes	

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