CHAPTER 5 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND DOUBLE MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Stakeholder engagement is central to the Group's efforts to enhance sustainability management and offers an important reference for decision-making. To this end, the Group values interactive communication with stakeholders and has established a multi-channel and regular engagement mechanism to understand the impact of its operations on stakeholders, and value their feedback on its sustainability strategies, goals and daily operations. By systematically integrating stakeholder engagement into its sustainability management system, the Group fosters long-term and mutual development and creates value for all stakeholders.

For detailed information about the regular communication and channels with stakeholders, please refer to the section headed "Sustainability – Approach & Frameworks" on the Company's official website.

CASE

COSCO SHIPPING Ports shared green and low-carbon practices and experience

In May 2024, the Company participated in the Exposition on China Brand as part of the delegation of COSCO SHIPPING Group. At the ESG salon themed "Pioneering Carbon Pathways, Greening the Future", the Company shared its practices and experiences in building green and low-carbon ports with investors, customers, suppliers, and business partners which included its "GRAND" approach, carbon neutrality roadmap, the application of green technologies, and measures to respond to climate change.



The Company at the exposition

CASE

COSCO SHIPPING Ports conducted investor reverse roadshow

In September 2024, the Group conducted a reverse roadshow themed "Green Smart Shipping Hub, Technology Leading Efficiency Creation and Cost Reduction". Investors and analysts were invited to visit Xiamen Ocean Gate Terminal and relevant supply chain companies, where management from the subsidiaries introduced their company profiles, business operations, green and smart port initiatives, and extended supply chain logistics.

After the site visit, an investor exchange salon was organised, during which the Public Relations Division of the Company and the management of the subsidiaries presented company performance and ESG development, engaging in discussions and exchanges with investors and analysts.



Reverse roadshow at Xiamen Ocean Gate Terminal

DOUBLE MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT

To understand stakeholders' concerns, the Group conducted stakeholder engagement during the year via surveys and interviews. To continue with double materiality assessment, risks and opportunities that significantly impact the Group's business operations and development are assessed and analysed from both financial materiality and impact materiality to identify highly material topics.

dentification	The Group conducted research on the trends of ESG and port/shipping industry, and made reference to major standards, e.g., the Listing Rules of the SEHK, the IFRS S2, the UNGC, and the UNSDGs, as well as the requirements of mainstream rating agencies, in conjunction with its own corporate development philosophy, strategies and goals to identify a total of 22 sustainability topics.
Analysis and Prioritisation	The Group conducted surveys focusing on the financial impact of each topic, as well as the economic, environmental and social impacts of its business operations. Interviewees ranked the materiality of each topic based on their level of concern. After evaluation and analysis by internal and external expert teams, highly material topics were identified and the materiality matrix for 2024 was developed.
ی Confirmation	After reviewing and validating the double materiality assessment results, the ESG Committee endorsed the materiality of the identified topics and reported to the Board for final approval. The Group focused on making disclosures on the highly material topics in this report and will take them into consideration when conducting business in the future.

During the year, the Group identified 11 highly material topics, which are shown on the top right-hand corner of the materiality matrix. For the boundary mapping of the material topics, please refer to Chapter 12 of this report.



Governance	Agility
1 Corporate governance	1 Technological innovation
2 Business ethics	12 Terminal operation optimisation
3 Data privacy protection and cybersecurity	Customer satisfaction
4 Economic performance	Nature
5 Tax	14 Water resource management
Resilience	15 Waste management
6 Climate resilience	16 Biodiversity
7 Greenhouse gas emissions	Dynamic
8 Energy management	17 Employee engagement and development
9 Air emissions	18 Employee well-being
0 Supply chain management	Diversity, equity and inclusion
	20 Labour conditions ³
	4 Health and safety
	22 Community engagement

3 Based on benchmarking against peers, sustainability disclosure standards and market analysis, and considering the Group's actual situation, the original "human rights management" was renamed "labour conditions".

RESPONSES TO STAKEHOLDERS

The Group attaches great importance to the suggestions and expectations of stakeholders and responds to their concerns in a timely manner. The topics and impacts of stakeholders' concerns and the Group's responses are summarised as follows:

Category	The Materiality and Impacts of the Topics	Responses
Governance	• Corporate governance: Efficient corporate governance and sound internal control are essential for establishing a solid foundation for compliant operations, achieving sustainable business and protecting the rights and interests of stakeholders.	The Group has strengthened ESG and climate-related training, improved climate governance and incorporated ESG topics into its risk management framework to continuously enhance corporate governance and provide support for strengthening risk prevention. For details, please refer to Chapter 7 of this report.
Resilience	 Climate resilience: Frequent extreme weather and natural disasters may lead to loss of assets, reduce operational efficiency and increase maintenance costs. GHG emissions: Maritime trade is considered one of the key factors to keep global warming within 2°C. Green and low-carbon transition has already become a development direction to the port and shipping industries. 	During the year, the Group completed a climate scenario analysis and a comprehensive inventory of Scope 3 GHG emissions, which served as an important foundation for improving climate resilience and supporting the building of a green shipping industry chain, as well as an effective tool for continuous improvement in energy management. For details, please refer to Chapter 8 of this report.
Agility	 Technological innovation: Digitalisation, informatisation and intelligence are essential for the Group to drive transformation and upgrading, thus improving competitiveness and thereby further facilitating the building of green shipping industry chain. Terminal operation optimisation: Promote the globalisation of key node ports and logistics resources to create high-quality terminal service products, which can build a systematic capability to serve customers efficiently. 	Focusing on the world's latest development trends, the Group is committed to becoming a leading global port logistics service provider with a customer-oriented focus through digital, technological and product innovations that lead to business model revolution and upgrades. For details, please refer to Chapter 9 of this report.
Dynamic	• Health and safety: Build a solid safety defence and create a secure, healthy working environment to enhance staff morale and loyalty, and strengthens the trust of partners.	The Group continues to improve its health and safety management system and reinforced subcontractor safety management to build a solid and reliable defence line for safe production. For details, please refer to Chapter 11 of this report.