



# Beliefs and Principles

AkzoNobel protects the environment by preventing or minimizing the environmental impact of its activities and products through appropriate design, manufacturing, distribution and disposal practices. AkzoNobel expects all employees to play a role in protecting the environment.

Continuous improvement in HSE, Security and Product Stewardship performance is integral to sustainability, provides business value, opportunities and competitive advantage. Our goal is therefore to be in the top five amongst our industry peers in performance.

## **We believe that:**

- All work-related injuries and illnesses are preventable. Therefore we protect people on our sites, people involved in our businesses and our other stakeholders' interests from accidental or deliberate harm, damage or loss.
- All emissions of hazardous materials can be prevented and will progressively, as products and technologies develop, be reduced.
- Our goals can only be achieved and the business maintained by the continuous improvement of our HSE&S performance through leadership of line management, the dedication of our staff and the application of the highest professional standards in our work. Continuous improvement in HSE, Security and Product Stewardship will provide business value, opportunities and competitive advantage.
- Stakeholders have a right to information about our operations and HSE&S performance and that transparency will promote and increase trust.