Our Purpose
The era of statements is over. Demographic growth, climate disorder, and social and geographical inequalities require a collective transformation of our traditional development models in order to respond to these challenges, now.

For 160 years, water, sanitation, waste collection & recovery activities and services have been essential. They are essential to quality of life, to health, to economic development and for creating new resources. Our commitment during the Covid-19 crisis demonstrates, once again, the fundamental nature of our missions to ensure our safety.

At a time when SUEZ is implementing its strategic plan, the Group is formulating its «purpose» which is at the heart of its Vision 2030. As the result of a collective approach with its 90,000 employees and all its stakeholders, the purpose is a marker of the Group’s ambition and a compass for the future. The current context shows us how fundamental it is to express our environmental and social utility, to accelerate our contributions and to guide our choices in the face of these major challenges of our time.

Our purpose, the reflection of our vocation

Shaping a sustainable environment, now.

- Essential to quality of life
- Essential to health
- Essential to economic development
- Essential for creating new resources

- 64 Million of inhabitants benefitted from sanitation services in 2019
- 7.1 Billion m³ of drinking water produced per year
- more than 200,000 jobs created directly or indirectly by SUEZ in 2019
- 4.2 Million tonnes of secondary raw materials produced per year
Acting today and for tomorrow

Preserve and restore the essential elements of our environment: water, soil, air.

SUEZ is also committed to the preservation of the biodiversity at sea and on land.

**WATER**

Soil remediation

*CHESTERFIELD* in the United Kingdom was one of the most severely polluted sites in Europe. Today, 98 ha have been decontaminated, and more than 400,000 tonnes of highly contaminated sludge and soil have been treated.

**SOIL**

Carbon Sink

SUEZ innovates to purify the air outside and to guarantee access to high-quality air, while producing green energy with its partner Fermentalg. Tested in an urban environment, it captures on average 75% of the main air pollutants such as fine particles and nitrogen dioxide.

**AIR**

The Biofactory

*La FARFANA* in Chile is one of the world’s largest wastewater treatment plants. It treats the wastewater produced by 7 million inhabitants of Greater Santiago, preserves the aquatic environment and restores quality of life: zero waste, zero environmental impact, zero fossil energy.

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DAKAR
Senegal
High-quality water for everyone and digital excellence at the heart of our service
This 15-year lease contract guarantees the supply of drinking water to a population of approximately seven million inhabitants in Dakar and in several other cities. SUEZ provides access to high-quality water for everyone, excellent service and sustainable results. Emphasis has been placed on innovation, with the opening of a Research and Innovation Centre in Dakar in partnership with Senegalese universities.

MEKNES
Morocco
A new development model with a retraining programme for sorters
SUEZ rehabilitated the household waste storage site in Meknes and created an elimination and recovery centre. SUEZ helped the 150 informal waste collectors to set up a cooperative for sorters in order to sustain their activity and provide an income in the long term, while also improving their working and safety conditions.

Dijon and Angers
France
Connected management of public spaces and essential services with citizens
SUEZ works with local authorities and citizens to develop digital platforms with new online services, such as the Smart City projects in Dijon and Angers.

Acting today and for tomorrow - Meeting and anticipating tomorrow’s challenges.

- SUEZ innovates and envisions new contractual models with its customers and stakeholders.
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SUEZ draws on the expertise it has been developing since the late 19th century to help people constantly improve their quality of life by protecting their health and supporting economic growth.

We work to provide access to essential environmental services for everyone. We supply high-quality water, suited to every type of use, and ensure the protection of this common good. We recover wastewater and waste to convert them into new resources.

Faced with demographic growth, climate change, and social and geographical inequalities, people are increasingly exposed to the consequences of the environmental emergency that is affecting our planet. Every single day, SUEZ commits to preserving the fundamental elements of our environment – water, soil, and air – that ensure our future. At SUEZ, we invest in preserving and restoring natural capital, and in the future of biodiversity, both on land and at sea.

As a committed partner to local communities, industry players and citizens, SUEZ mobilises stakeholders to succeed in the environmental transition, developing circular business models and innovating to plan for tomorrow’s challenges.

Proud of their work and strengthened by their values, SUEZ’s teams based in regions throughout the world are shaping a sustainable environment, now.
A collective project
at all levels of the Group

The purpose is the result of a collective endeavour initiated by the Board. It is the outcome of numerous exchanges and workshops with employees, stakeholders, panels of experts and the Group’s CSR Committee. It is part of the SHAPING SUEZ 2030 strategic plan.

The founding values
of the SUEZ winning spirit

Strengthened by their values, SUEZ’s teams based in every region will fulfil this commitment.

- CLIENT FIRST
- RESPECT
- TEAM SPIRIT
- PASSION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

In figures

- 9 MONTHS OF COLLECTIVE MOBILISATION AND INTERNAL CONSULTATION.
- 3 PHASES OF DEPLOYMENT TO DISSEMINATE THE PURPOSE AT ALL LEVELS OF THE COMPANY, guide strategic choices, accelerate contributions, and mobilize all Group employees.
- 18 WORKING GROUPS led by members of the Executive Board and the management team.
- 90,000 EMPLOYEES invited to participate & many exchanges, panels and workshops with our stakeholders and the CSR committee.
- 20,000 PARTICIPANTS in the internal survey and nearly 42,000 TESTIMONIALS collected.