The cooperation with AfB gGmbH in your report in compliance with GRI G4

Your partnership with AfB gGmbH is relevant for several sustainability disclosures according to the G4 Guidelines by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). We prepared the following text block for you to report about your cooperation with AfB and fulfill three disclosures according to GRI G4 at the same time.

Text block:

In cooperation with AfB gGmbH we take care of our used IT-hardware's "end of life". AfB receives our used IT-hardware that we no longer require. As long as data security is ensured all devices are remarketed by AFB to guarantee a second life. All other goods are recycled so that the resources can be used again.

By giving devices a second life the period of use is prolonged and the production of new products substituted. Thereby, emissions, metals and energy are saved. The process of disposal is monitored by AfB. Last year, an amount of … kg of hardware was collected by AfB. Of that a total of … % of devices were prepared to be resold. The other … % of goods is being disposed and all resources recycled [G4-EN1].

AfB additionally provides indicators on the partnerships' social and environmental impact. These indicators are verified by a study by Technical University of Berlin. Last year, AfB confirmed a saving of … kg of iron equivalents, … kWh energy and … kg of CO₂ equivalents. This is one (of several) reduction initiative(s) to reduce our scope 3 emissions [G4-EN19]. Hence, the partnership with AfB reduces the environmental consequences of our products and services, since not only valuable resources are saved, but also the emission- and energy-consuming production of new hardware is avoided [G4-EN27].

Furthermore, AfB is a not-for-profit company, which employs 49 % people with disability. AfB as regional partner supports the awareness of these people's problems at the primary labor market. With our partnership we took over sponsorships for … jobs for people with disability throughout the last year.

You can find the certificate on social and environmental outcome by AfB on our homepage at (please insert link here).

Appendix

The following list contains the requirements for the relevant disclosures according to the GRI G4 Guidelines. You can find the complete requirements for a sustainability report according to the GRI G4 at the GRI website (https://www.globalreporting.org/resourcelibrary/GRIG4-Part1-Reporting-Principles-and-Standard-Disclosures.pdf).

G4-EN1: MATERIALS USED BY WEIGHT OR VOLUME

a. Report the total weight or volume of materials that are used to produce and package the organization’s primary products and services during the reporting period, by:

- Non-renewable materials used;
- Renewable materials used.
G4-EN19: REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS
a. Report the amount of GHG emissions reductions achieved as a direct result of initiatives to reduce emissions, in metric tons of CO₂ equivalence.
b. Report gases included in the calculation (whether CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFCs, PFCs, SF₆, NF₃, or all).
c. Report the chosen base year or baseline and the rationale for choosing it.
d. Report standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.
e. Report whether the reductions in GHG emissions occurred in direct (Scope 1), energy indirect (Scope 2), other indirect (Scope 3) emissions.

G4-EN27: EXTENT OF IMPACT MITIGATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
a. Report quantitatively the extent to which environmental impacts of products and services have been mitigated during the reporting period.
b. If use-oriented figures are employed, report the underlying assumptions regarding consumption patterns or normalization factors.

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