

HeidelbergCement signs “Pledge for Access to Safe Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) at the Workplace” of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)

HeidelbergCement actively supports the sustainability goal of the UN, which aims at providing access to safe and affordable drinking water to all people. By signing the so-called WASH Pledge, the Group promises to ensure access to drinking water as well as sanitation and hygiene for all employees.

“With this statement we reinforce our commitment to provide a safe workplace to our employees. Besides, it is also in line with our Sustainability Commitments 2030, which we published already last year. We aim to comply with all requirements of the WASH Pledge at all our 3,000 sites within the next three years,” said Dr. Bernd Scheifele, Chairman of the Managing Board of HeidelbergCement.

HeidelbergCement has already gained first experience with the implementation of the WASH Pledge at its Indian subsidiary Zuari Cement. Based on this, respective measures will now be implemented throughout the whole Group.

By means of a self-assessment tool provided by the WBCSD, signatories have to review their success of implementation. General compliance with local laws and regulations, workplace water supply, workplace sanitation, and workplace hygiene must be assessed. The results of the self-assessment have to be published.

Further information on the WASH Pledge: www.wbcds.org/Clusters/Water/WASH-access-to-water-sanitation-and-hygiene/WASH-at-the-workplace-Pledge

About HeidelbergCement

HeidelbergCement is one of the world's largest integrated manufacturers of building materials with leading market positions in aggregates, cement, and ready-mixed concrete. The company employs some 59,000 people at more than 3,000 locations in around 60 countries.

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