

Responsible manufacturing

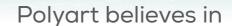
Polyart[®] Group is a leading specialty paper and film manufacturer. It was formed in 2020, by the merger between the companies Arjobex, MDV, Tech Folien and Reisewitz.

With ~280 employees and a turnover of 83 M euros, Polyart group has 6 production sites, in France, Germany (2), United Kingdom (2) and the United States.

Polyart Group manufactures film and paper solutions for the specialty label market (industrial, decorative and security) but also for digital printing, the graphic & display market and provides custom coatings.

Polyart group is a global organisation, with its head office located near Paris and three sales offices in Singapore, Mumbai, and Shanghai. With a global footprint comes the responsibility to ensure that our operations and products have a minimal impact on the environment.

As a group, we think that businesses today have a duty of care towards our employees, the environment, and society. As a result of this we have put corporate sustainability at the heart of our business plan to contribute to a more sustainable world.



being a responsible producer

reducing our environmental impact

products that are recyclable





developing sustainable



The Group's first CSR Manager was appointed in October 2021 shortly after the formation of the Polyart Group in recognition of our corporate social responsibilities and the importance of taking CSR seriously.

he Polyart group fully supports the 10 principals of the UN Global Compact and endorses the aims of the United Nations 17 development goals in full, as a business our direct contribution towards achieving these goals is primarily through **Goal 12** – **Responsible Consumption & Product.**

- ISO 14001 or alternate Environmental Management systems have been in operation in the majority of the Polyart group's manufacturing facilities for many years and are audited by an accredited external body on at least an annual basis.

- FSC[®] & PEFC[®] accredited paper products produced at MDV in Germany*.

As a Group we are committed to improving our all aspects of our CSR performance, using Ecovadis assessments to drive and monitor or progress on an annual basis.

- All our 6 manufacturing sites are currently Ecovadis rated to Bronze, Silver (4) & Gold

- Our ambition is to achieve a gold rating for all sites by 2024.

In addition to annual Ecovadis assessment our ESG performance is assessed by an independent 3rd party in accordance with SASB standards.

To be transparent with all our stakeholders our ESG performance report and Ecovadis summaries & certifications are publicly available on our website.

* MDV FSC® licence n°FSC®-C084527 & PEFC® licence n°PEFC/04-31-1666)

Reducing our carbon footprint

As a producer of both paper & plastic substrates our environmental impact is significant and as part of environmental management system's we do assess our environmental impacts regularly and take actions to mitigate our significant impacts.

Polyart group is committed to reducing the carbon footprint of all our products.

Our Group target is to reduce the Scope 1 & 2 emissions footprint of all our product ranges by 20% by 2027. With 2021 being the baseline year.

Significant progress has been made in 2022 towards our goal of 20% reduction by 2027.

Scope 1 & 2 Emissions Performance kg CO₂e per production

	Production unit	2021	2022	Minus
Arjobex Europe	Tonnes	697	616	11.6%
Arjobex America	Tonnes	1047	986	5.8%
Tech Folien	Tonnes	122	111	9.0%
MDV	1000 m²	21.53	20.36	5.4%
Reisewitz	1000 m²	114.4	114	0.3%

At the present time this is limited to Scope 1 & 2 emissions, but once we are in control of our own scope 1 & 2 emission's we are committed to both evaluating and reducing our scope 3 emissions in partnership with our suppliers.

2023 has already seen our Polyart manufacturing plant in the UK switch to a certified renewable energy contract which will significantly lower the Arjobex Europe emissions in 2023.



We are committed to set the pace in our industry for the future of sustainable functional substrates. To illustrate this commitment, we are supplying and developing new products that contain both post-industrial and post-consumer plastic and recycled paper.

Our product ranges offer unique environmentally friendly solutions on films and papers:

r-Polyart[®], the first synthetic paper with 30% Post Consumer Waste content.

Polyart[®] **IML**, a mono-component solution for blow-moulded HDPE bottles.

r-Fluolux[®], European leader of fluorescent papers made of recycled paper.





Fiberskin®, a biodegradable weather resistant paper for outdoor applications that is also recyclable. Certified as meeting the requirements of EN 13432:2000 for compostability and ISO 14851:2019 for aerobic biodegradability.

FSC[®] (FSC-C084527) certified paper products produced at MDV in Germany.

Since its initial certification in 2010, MDV has been able to continuously increase the forest certified share of paper products from 3.5% in 2012 to 72% of production in 2022.

APR* Certification of the Polyart synthetic paper range

● In 2022, both Polyart coated and Polyart Uncoated for IML and self-adhesive applications were tested by a third party independent laboratory according to the industry standard APR protocol for recyclability of HDPE containers.

• Both products are compliant with APR'S HDPE – CG01 APR protocol.

Recyclass Certification of Polyart synthetic paper range in Europe will be completed in 2023.

* APR: Association of Plastic Recyclers





Our Target Milestones

2023

Set Group wide carbon footprint reduction targets [COMPLETE] Recyclass Certification of Polyart range in Europe Qualification of alternate sources of PCR Polyart Group Ecovadis Assessment

2024

Expansion of r-Polyart range to 2m wide for PS market Ecovadis gold for all Polyart Group businesses

2025 Evaluation of Scope 3 emissions reduction targets

2027

Reduce Scope 1 & Scope 2 emissions of all Polyart Group products by 20% by 2027.



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