# Coca-Cola HBC AG 2015 Integrated Annual Report Showcases Focus on Sustainable Growth

Coca-Cola HBC AG published on March 17, 2016 its fourth integrated report, "Refreshing business", which provides details on all aspects of business, governance and sustainability performance, and celebrates a year of strong results and achievements.

This year we took our reporting a step further, preparing the sustainability aspects of our Integrated Annual Report in accordance with the GlobalReporting Initiative G4 Comprehensive standards. Our

efforts in the area of sustainability

are being recognised, with Coca- Cola HBC being the industry European and global leader amongst beverage companies in the Dow Jones World and Europe Sustainability Indices (DJSI) for two consecutive years.

In Coca-Cola HBC we aim at creating value for all stakeholders and our business model demonstrates this through outputs and outcomes as a result of activities and relationships across the entire value chain. In 2015, we:

- Sold 2.1 billion unit cases of beverages, reaching 594 million consumers
- Directly employed over 33,000 people
- Generated net profit of €280 million
- Paid a total of €271 million in taxes
- Invested €8.2 million in community programmes
- Invested 6,000 employee volunteering hours
- Reduced water consumption by 5.5% vs. 2014
- Reduced CO2 intensity by 14.2% vs. 2014

Looking in more detail at the three dimensions of sustainability, key highlights in 2015 also included:

#### **Economic:**

- Paid €1,070 million in salaries and employee benefits
- Partnered with over 43,000 suppliers
- Reached direct and indirect employment of over 600,000 people throughout the value chain in Europe

#### **Environmental:**

- Introduced science-based carbon intensity reduction targets endorsed by the World Resources Institute one of the first 12 companies in the world to do so
- Invested €5.3 million in energy saving initiatives, reducing consumption by 375 million Mega joules
- Recycled 91% of waste generated in operations

### Social:

- Invested €2 million in youth development programmes
- 33% of managerial roles were held by women
- Partnered with more than 230 NGOs in 28 countries

Coca-Cola HBC's 2015 Integrated Annual Report "Refreshing business" can be downloaded from: http://www.coca-colahellenic.com/investorrelations/annualreports

## **Enquiries**

#### About Coca Cola HBC

Coca-Cola HBC is a leading bottler of The Coca-Cola Company with a sales volume of more than 2 billion unit cases. It has a broad geographic footprint with operations in 28 countries serving a population of approximately 590 million people. Coca-Cola HBC offers a diverse range of non-alcoholic ready to drink beverages in the sparkling, juice, water, sport, energy, tea and coffee categories. Coca-Cola HBC is committed to promoting sustainable development in order to create value for its business and for society. This includes providing products that meet the beverage needs of consumers, fostering an open and inclusive work environment, conducting its business in ways that protect and preserve the environment and contribute to the socioeconomic development of the local communities. Coca-Cola HBC is ranked beverage industry leader in the Dow Jones Sustainability World and Europe Indices, and is also included in the FTSE4Good Index.

Coca-Cola HBC has a premium listing on the London Stock Exchange (LSE: CCH) and its shares are listed on the Athens Exchange (ATHEX: EEE). For more information, please visit http://www.coca-colahellenic.com.

## About Dow Jones Sustainability Indices

The DJSI were launched in 1999 as the first global sustainability benchmarks. The indices are offered cooperatively by RobecoSAM and S&P Dow Jones Indices. The group tracks the stock performance of the world's leading companies in terms of economic, environmental and social criteria. The indices serve as benchmarks for investors who integrate sustainability considerations into their portfolios, and provide an effective engagement platform for companies who want to adopt sustainable best practices. Following an evaluation of a range of general and industry-specific issues only the top 10% are accepted for inclusion. For more information visit http://www.sustainability-indices.com/

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