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The Group's Corporate, Social and Environmental Policy aims to propose responsible modes of consumption, and improve the sustainability of its business model by supporting the trust of its main stakeholders with whom it maintains constant dialogue.

### **MAJOR CHALLENGES**

Casino Group wishes to address the major global challenges through its Climate, Biodiversity and Environment Policy.



The world will have to feed an additional 3 billion individuals by 2050, approximately 10 billion people in total, in a world in which resources are already largely exploited. There is a need not only to provide a healthy and well-balanced diet, but also one that is more respectful of the land and biodiversity and that emits less greenhouse gas.



At our current pace of greenhouse gas emissions, the average temperature at the Earth's surface is expected **to increase by 3 or 5°C by 2100**. To limit global warming to 2°C, global greenhouse **gas emissions must be reduced by 4 times** by 2050 compared to 1990.

Yet approximately 1/3 of global greenhouse gas emissions are linked to food production and consumption (from field to fork). Shifting consumption and production patterns towards practices that emit less greenhouse gas is key to achieving the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

## Reducing the impact of greenhouse gases is the Group's number one priority.

The aim is to act both on our actual activities and the offer of products in our stores which accounts for most of the emissions, despite being indirect.



#### SAVING AND PRESERVING RESOURCES

Providing a well-balanced diet to all can only be done by saving and preserving existing resources: water, energy, packaging, products, etc. While half of all existing plastics were produced after the year 2000, I/3 of plastic waste has become land, marine and aquatic pollution. In 2020, 367 million tons of plastic were produced.

Reducing the impact of activities on resources is the second most important priority of the Group.



## PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY

On Earth, forests host 75% of the world's biodiversity. Between 1990 and 2015, the world's forest area diminished by 129 million hectares, the equivalent of twice the size of France. Agricultural production and livestock farming are the first causes of this deforestation.

In the oceans, more than 34% of fish stocks are now exploited beyond their biological sustainability limit.<sup>(1)</sup>

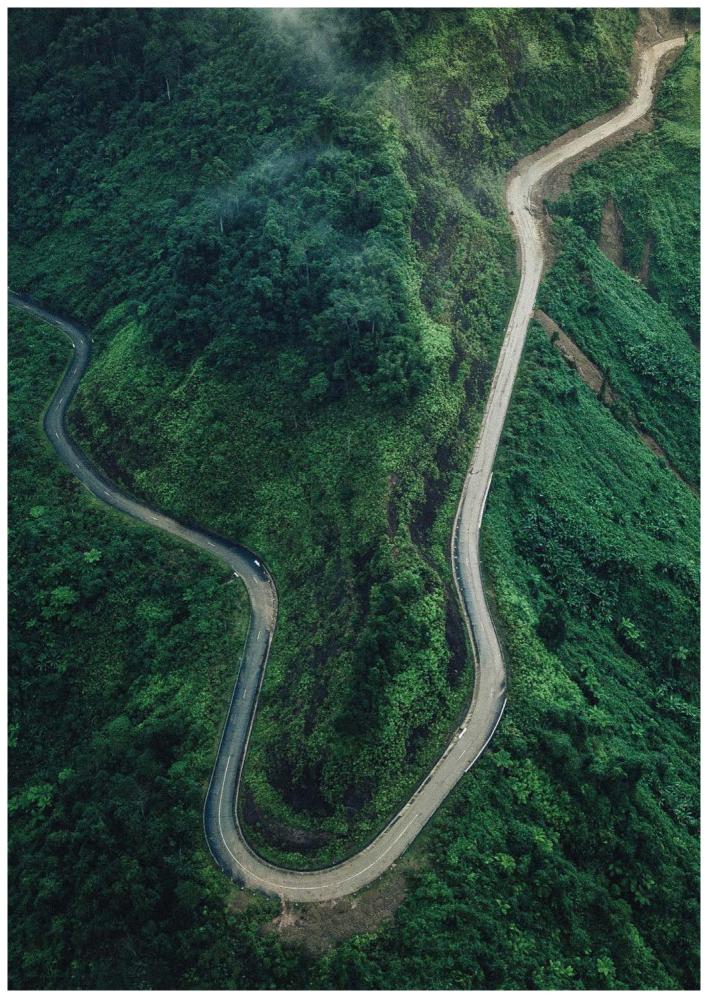
Biodiversity preservation and ecosystem protection are the most important third priority of the Group.

# THE COMMITMENTS OF THE GROUP

The Group's Climate, Biodiversity and Environment Policy is encompassed by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and is aligned with the Montreal Protocol and the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 21).

Casino Group is convinced that it is necessary to act collectively to address the challenges of tomorrow. The Group is committed to reducing carbon emissions, saving and preserving resources, and protecting biodiversity.







# REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS

#### **CASINO GROUP IS COMMITTED TO**

-38%

**Reducing the Group's greenhouse gas emissions by 38%** on Scopes I and 2 by 2025 with respect to 2030.

-10%

**Reducing the Group's greenhouse gas emissions by 10%** on Scope 3 by 2025 with respect to 2018.

#### **IN FRANCE**

-50%

Reducing Monoprix's emissions by 50% by 2030 with respect to 2020 (Scopes 1 and 2).

-25%

Reducing freight emissions for Casino stores by 25% over the 2019-2023 period.

Casino Group is a member of:



The "Science Based Targets" initiative with a view to reducing greenhouse gas emissions aligned with the COP 2I objectives, to which the Group has been a signatory since 2018.

Casino Group adheres to:



**The "Paris Action Climat" plan** for sustainable urban logistics implemented by the Mairie de Paris



# SAVING AND PRESERVING RESOURCES

#### **CASINO GROUP IS COMMITTED TO**



Continuing its efforts to sort all plastic, cardboard, organic waste in every store.



Continuing its efforts to recycle all unsold products.

#### **EN FRANCE**

100%

**of private-label plastic** packaging to be recyclable or reusable by 2025.

**Blending** 

30%

**of recycled plastics** in plastic bottles by 2025.



Developing access to products **sold in bulk.** 

STOP

Stopping the use of PVC for plastic packaging.

#### Casino Group supports:



#### The "Pact on Consumption Dates"

created by the Ministry for the Ecological Transition in 2019.

> Pacte national de lutte contre le gaspillage alimentaire

The "National Pact against food waste",

implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture in 2013.



#### The "National Pact on plastic packaging",

created by the Ministry for the Ecological Transition in 2019, following the roadmap for a Circular Economy.









## PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY

#### **CASINO GROUP IS COMMITTED TO**

STOP

**Fighting deforestation linked to raw materials** in the supply chain.

Increase sales of

organic ans agroecological products

#### IN FRANCE

**100%** durable

Ensuring that 100% of the palm oil used in food products is certified as sustainable (independent RSPO certification).

85%

Supplying at least **85% of**yellowfin tuna sold in can thanks to
free shoal fishing methods
(FAD-free).

100% durable

Ensuring that 100% of the cocoa used in products containing more than 20% cocoa is certified as sustainable (independent certification such as UTZ or Fair Trade) by 2023.

0%

Not to market deep sea fish threatened with extinction\*.

<sup>\*</sup> Orange roughy, blue ling, saber fish, scabbard fish, macrouridae, cusk fish, blue shark, school shark, spiny dogfish, eel, white grouper, glass eel, white grouper, pink se bream.

#### Casino Group supports:

The "TFA\* 2030 initiative" to fight deforestation in the supply chain

The "Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil"
which promotes the production of
sustainable palm oil

**The "Palm Oil Transparency Coalition"** to improve sustainability and transparency in the palm oil supply chain

The Statement of Support for the "Cerrado Manifesto" to fight against deforestation in the Cerrado in Latin America

**The Soy Transparency Coalition** to improve transparency in the soy supply chain

The Manifesto for the mobilisation of French stakeholders to fight imported deforestation linked to soy production

**The Retailer Cocoa Collaboration** to improve transparency and sustainability of the cocoa supply chain.

The French initiative for a sustainable cocoa





# **DRIVERS OF ACTION**

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Casino Group interacts daily with its supply chains, its stores and its customers in order to deliver sound and efficient solutions.

### COMMITMENTS OF CASINO GROUP FOR THE CLIMATE, BIODIVERSITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT





# REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS

Taking action on refrigerated units

Improving in-store energy efficiency

Producing solar energy

Supporting sustainable modes of delivery

Offering local and seasonal products

Promoting plant proteins

Providing better consumer information





SAVING AND PRESERVING RESOURCES

Saving water

Sorting and recycling waste

Using sustainable packaging

Promoting products sold in bulk

Reducing food waste





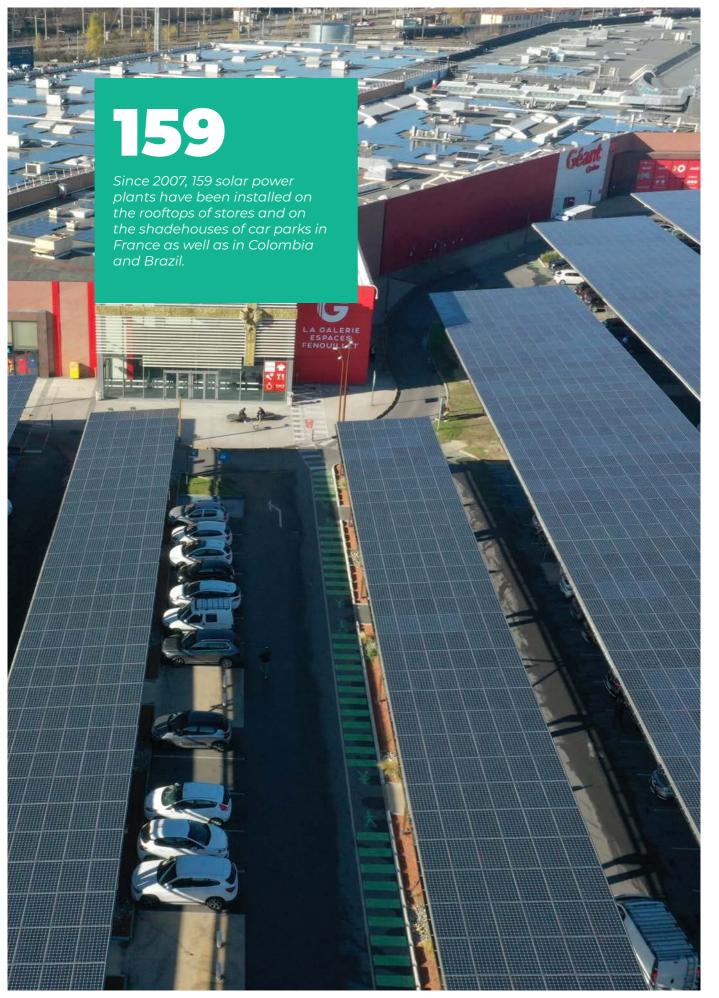
### PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY

Promoting responsible products

Developing agroecology

Fighting deforestation

Preserving halieutic resources





# REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS

In stores, **doors and tops are installed on refrigerated units** to reduce refrigeration losses and to limit power consumption.

## Taking actions on refrigerated units

- Fast and efficient preventive and corrective maintenance programs are implemented to minimize refrigerant leakage (cause of greenhouse gases).
- Refrigerated units are being converted to hybrid or carbon-neutral technologies.
- Store energy consumption is tracked and controlled remotely to optimize power consumption.

## Improving in-store energy efficiency

- Energy Performance Contracts have been implemented on almost 1 500 sites in France and abroad. Several stores are ISO 50001 certified and Energy Savings Certificates are also in use at numerous sites.
- The banners have unrolled energy sobriety plans as a part of the signing of the Ecowatt charter

## Producing solar energy

Producing green electricity helps reduce the Group's carbon emissions. Since 2007, 159 solar power plants have been installed on rooftops of tores and on the shadehouses of car parks, in France as well as in Colombia and Brazil.

Some of these plants enable the stores **to be self-sufficient.** 

To reduce the impact of transport, the logistics teams **are** optimising truck loads and frequency of delivery.

## Supporting sustainable modes of delivery

- The vehicle fleet is modernising as technology progresses or freight transport (vehicles running on NGV, biofuel or electric) as well as for employee travel.
- Electric charging stations **are available in the car parks of stores.**
- For home delivery, **clean services (bike, pedestrian drive)** are available for customers.

## Offering local and seasonal products

To reduce the carbon footprint of food products sold in stores and on merchant sites, stores **offer customers seasonal and locally produced products** (local distribution network, regional products).



## The Group strives for a better balance between plant and animal proteins, in accordance with the ADEME's

(Agency for Ecological Transition) recommendations, so as to reduce the carbon footprint of food consumption. The objective is to increase the amount of plant proteins consumed by customers (with meals containing more pulses associated to cereals) by reducing the amount of animal proteins. By consuming higher quality animal proteins and in smaller quantities, this transition can be achieved on a consistent budget.

## Promoting plant proteins

A wide range of vegetarian and vegan products is available to customers.

## Providing better consumer information



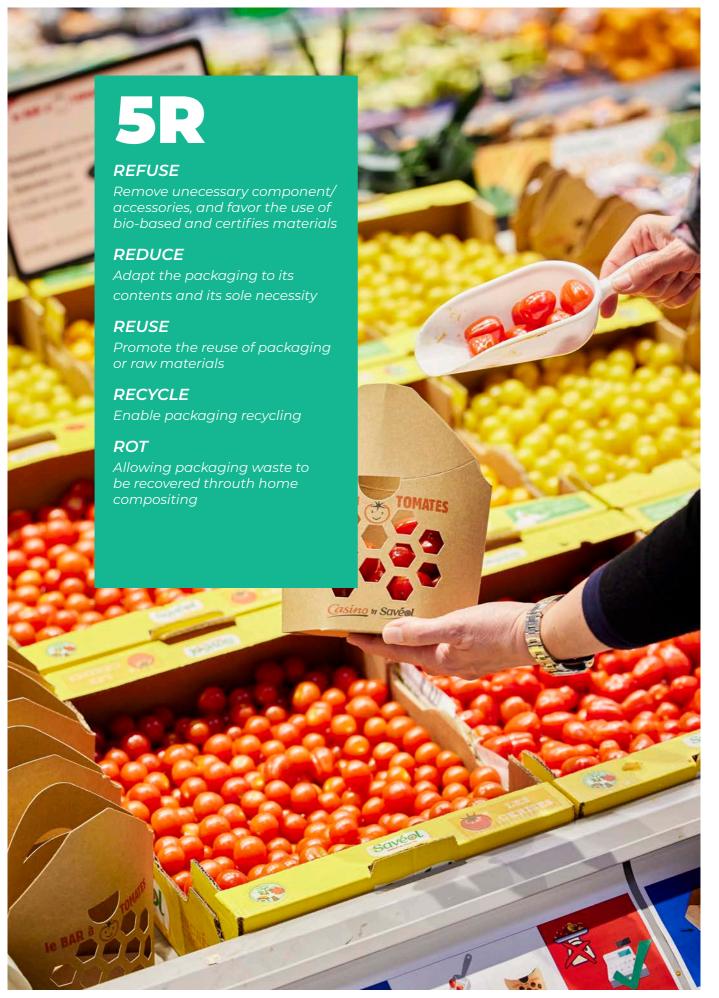
To help customers make the right choice, **the Group supports environmental labelling** so as to inform consumers on product impact in terms of greenhouse gas emissions and water pollution.



Environmental labelling of a product or a service consists in communicating to consumers, on all relevant media (the product itself, in shelving, on a website, etc.), quantified information on its major environmental impacts, calculated over its whole life cycle.



\*In its forward-looking vision for 2050 to divide France's greenhouse gas emissions by 4 with respect to 1990, the ADEME (Agency for Ecological Transition) recommends lowering protein consumption from 113g/day/person (including 40g of plant origin) in 2010 to 86g/day/person (including 43g of plant origin) in 2050.





## **SAVING AND PRESERVING RESOURCES**

#### Saving water

To reduce the use of water, banners are implementing, different solutions depending on their location:

rainwater recovery systems, pressure reducers on taps to reduce the flow, phasing out of open cooling circuits using water with closed circuits.



**Stores and warehouses sort their waste,** mostly cardboards, plastics and organic waste.

#### Sorting and recycling waste



Points for collection of used products are made available to customers. So that they can recycle batteries, light bulbs, small household appliances.



In 2022, the Group sorted more than 225,000 tons of waste (cardboard, paper, plastic, organic waste, glass, wood, scrap metal, etc.), an increase of 4% in sorted waste per sqm. in 2022 with respect to 2021.



The Group has reasserted its commitments to **reduce** and recycle private-label product packaging (see Packaging policy of the Group's private-label products).

#### Using sustainable packaging



The Group's ambition is to reduce the amount of materials used, improve their recyclability and to incorporate recycled materials, while quaranteeing that the consumer receives safe packaging with no risk to their health. The "5Rs" method: Refuse. Reduce. Reuse, Recycle, Rot is applied to private-label products.



The gradual elimination of products that interfere with sorting or that can generate easily avoidable waste (plastic bags, single-use cutlery and plates, catalogues, etc.) is one of the Group's priorities.

## Promoting products sold in bulk



The banners are increasingly developing the sale of products in bulk: dried fruits and pulses, cereals, pasta, coffee, chocolate, oils, wine, laundry detergents, etc.

These new concepts enable both customers to buy just the right amount (thus avoiding waste) and also to use recyclable or reusable packaging.

#### A seed bar at Franprix

Bulk consumption allows customers to buy the desired quantity of product, thus limiting the use of packaging and food waste.





## Reducing food waste

- Some fresh fruit and vegetables that are damaged are reused to produce compotes or soups.
- **Food products that cannot be donated** are used nevertheless to produce energy or compost.
- Customers and employees' awareness towards compbating wastage is increased particulary during the national day dedicaced to this issues.
- Stores give **unsold but still edible products** to food bank (or to other collecting associations).



## PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY

The Group offers a range of products that are more respectful of the environment and biodiversity.

# Promoting responsible and organic products

Across the world, stores feature approximately **42,000 responsible products,** certified according to different product specifications ensuring a high level of standards.

The Group also supports organic farming and offers
Organic products accessible to the greatest number of
people with more than 22,000 food products, of which
2,500 are private-label products (Casino Bio, Monoprix
Bio, Franprix Bio) and over 250 organic stores.

## Developing agroecology

The Group's banners are deploying programs to support agroecology: Monoprix has implemented since 2015 the "Tous Cultiv'acteurs" program with more than 700 fruit and vegetable producers and signed a partnership with BeeFriendly to promote production that respects the environment and pollinators.



With AgriPlus, Casino is committed to "Zero pesticide residue". This initiative responds to consumer demands while acting upon the conditions of production upstream.



#### Tous Cultiv'acteurs with MonoprixTous

Cultiv'acteurs aims at promoting a more sustainable agricultural model and in particular more respectful of pollinators. Suppliers are committed for 3 years to follow specific product specifications developed with the BEE FRIENDLY label and experts in agricultural issues.



#### 100% chance of finding 0% pesticide

Since 2015, the Casino brand has been offering frozen foods guaranteed free of pesticide residues (insecticides, fungicides and herbicides). In 2018, the brand is completing its commitment by launching a range of fresh fruit and vegetables guaranteed free of pesticide residues, with products that change with the seasons.

## Fighting deforestation



To fight deforestation, the group implements actions **to support the sustainable sourcing of raw materials,** particularly for Brazilian beef, palm oil, soy and cocoa. These actions consist in demanding guarantees on the production of the raw materials by working on traceability of supply chains to make them more transparent.

Find out more about the Group's policy against deforestation: https://www.groupe-casino.fr/en/combating-deforestation/

## Preserving halieutic resources



To preserve halieutic resources, the banners banned the marketing of threatened species as early as 2007,

especially those in deep sea waters. They support more sustainable fishing techniques such as those based on free shoals.

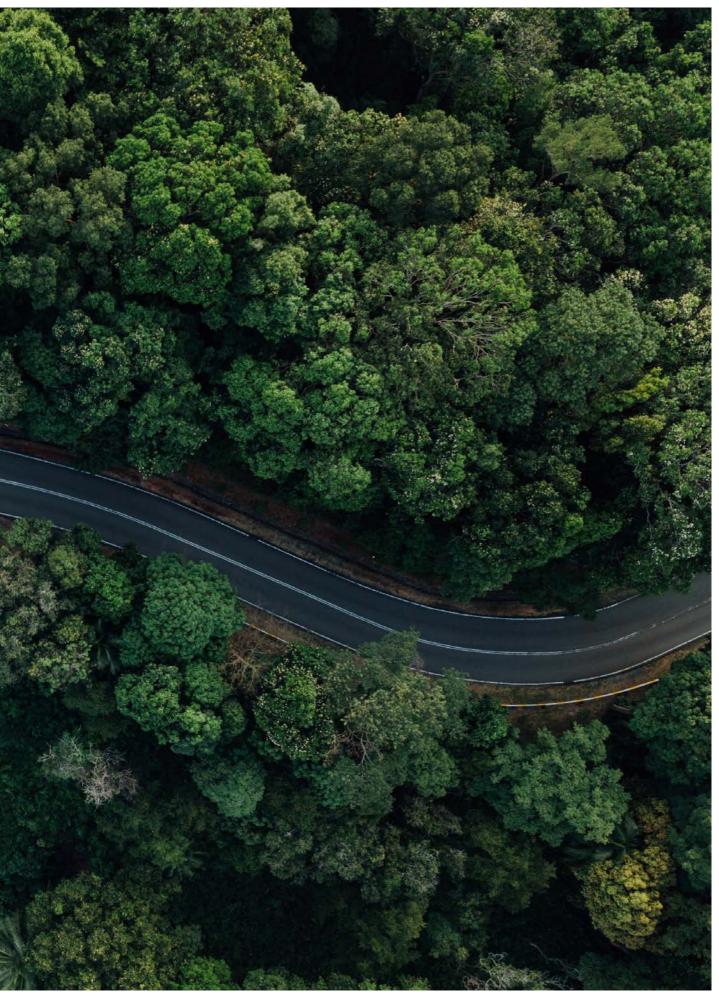


**The Group promotes aquaculture** by offering its customers high-quality farmed products (Organic farming, no antibiotics, no GMOs).



The Group condemns illegal fishing and destructive techniques such as electric fishing and promotes local supplies and seasonal products in order to offer more responsible products on the counters.





## PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

Casino Group controls its environmental impact with the implementation of multiple indicators to monitor performance.

#### **MONITORING INDICATORS (1) YEARS 2022**

**- 38 %** 

greenhouse gas emissions from 2015 to 2022.



Greenhouse gas emissions linked to power consumption (SCOPE 2)

**37 Kg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.** per sqm. of sales area <sup>(2)</sup>



Power consumed

528 kWh<sup>(4)</sup>

per sam. of sales area (2) or,

2 525 400 MWh<sup>(4)</sup>

in total



**Greenhouse gas emissions linked to refrigerant**(SCOPE I)

145 Kg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.

per sqm. of sales area (2)



Water consumption

1246 litres

per sam. of sales area



Mass of recycled waste

225 700 tons

Food donations from stores and warehouses

**30 700 tons** 



Number of products certified responsible in stores

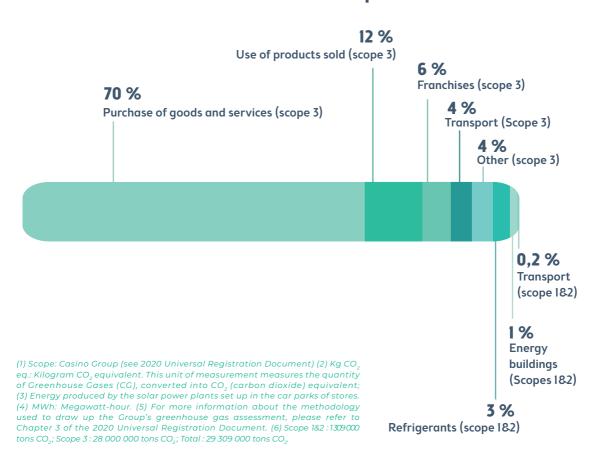
42 000 products



Number of products from organic farming in stores

22 000 products

Breakdown of estimated direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions associated with Casino Group<sup>(5)</sup> in 2021 on the 3 Scopes<sup>(6)</sup>:



## **NOS POLITIQUES**



Climate, biodiversity and environment policy of Casino Group



CSR policy of Casino Group



Casino Group's policy to reduce the environmental impact of packaging



Animal welfare policy of Casino Group



Casino Group's Health & Nutrition policy



Fisheries and aquaculture policy of Casino Group



Gender equality in the workplace



Casino Group's commitments to promoting Diversity



Universal Registration Document 2022



Duty of care plan 2022



Supplier ethics charter



GPA Annual Report 2022



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