

John Cockerill ^J C Foundation

Building <u>tomorrow</u>'s better world today

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Guidelines

The John Cockerill Foundation was set up in 2017, on the eve of the bicentenary of the John Cockerill Group. Its initial goal was to structure the company's sponsorship policy, and over the past four rich and intense years, more than 35 projects have been rolled out in the fields of history, heritage, culture and social issues.

In these few years alone, the world has changed a lot. Certain needs of Society have become even more significant, and this has irremediably prompted us to rethink our role, review our positioning and redefine our strategy.

All over the world, communities are confronted with multiple and complex challenges. Challenges in terms of access to healthy natural resources, to energy and to education. Through the John Cockerill Foundation, we intend to assist them to make their living conditions more dignified.

This is our new credo, our new commitment: the John Cockerill Foundation now resolutely defines itself as a builder of initiatives to create a better world. Our actions are carried out according to the principle of mixed sponsorship. This system uses both financial and in-kind investments, whether through the provision of skills, products or services. In particular, the John Cockerill Foundation will draw on the formidable pool of talents and technologies of the John Cockerill Group in carrying out its projects.

We have chosen to concentrate our efforts on tangible local projects, anchored in reality. Projects whose objectives are directly linked to the Sustainable Development Goals defined by the UN: the reduction of poverty and inequalities, access to vital resources and education, improvement of well-being and quality of life.

"Alone I go faster, together we go further." This African proverb perfectly summarises the advantages of collective intelligence. In accordance with this vision, we want to bring together and channel all the positive energies, with a view to coming up with new and innovative solutions that meet the needs of communities.

To build tomorrow's better world today.







To contribute to a better world

The mission of the John Cockerill Foundation is expressed through a single, committed pillar: communities and the planet. Communities around the world are facing multiple and complex challenges. Our role is to support them and to help them to make their living conditions as dignified as possible.

We are builders

We want the John Cockerill Foundation to be an agent of change.

On our own scale, we want to carry out projects that make the living conditions of communities on the planet more dignified. Projects linked to the sustainable development objectives of the UN (feature the Sustainable Development Goals) and that integrate the skills of the John Cockerill Group.



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The targets in achieving our ambition

- 1. THINK GLOBAL : The action of the Foundation is deployed internationally and, more specifically, in the areas of activity of the John Cockerill Group.
- 2. ACT LOCAL : The Foundation's action is aimed at a clearly identified / identifiable community.
- 3. PROJECT'S CYCLE : The Foundation favours projects with a sustainable impact, and is committed to a long-term follow-up.
- **4. APPROPRIATION :** The Foundation belongs to everyone. Everyone is free to benefit from it in line with its philosophy.
- 5. **MEANING :** The Foundation nurtures relationships and cultivates meaning.
- 6. **INSPIRATION :** The Foundation is a shining light that inspires and becomes an example to follow.
- 7. SUSTAINABILITY : The Foundation strives to reduce its impact on the planet, as well as the impact of the actions carried out.





A philosophy and a state of mind

To achieve the mission it has set for itself, the John Cockerill Foundation draws on essential values.

HUMANE: We respect all human beings and we value openness, consideration, empathy and goodwill towards all.

<u>COMMITTED</u>: We take a stand and act to defend our values, we believe in what we do and we are proud of it.

<u>RESPONSIBLE</u>: We act in a thoughtful manner and take the consequences of our actions and inactions into consideration; we are ambassadors of the societal approach of the John Cockerill Foundation.

INNOVATIVE: We value technical, technological, conceptual and methodological innovation, and seek to put our creativity and originality at the service of the causes we defend, with a progressive approach.

PROJECT-ORIENTED: Our priority is to implement concrete projects and solutions that meet the needs of the communities in a sustainable manner.

ETHICS: we act in accordance with an egalitarian, equitable and universal morality, and with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and fair practices.





A collective governance

The governance of the John Cockerill Foundation revolves around three main entities.

The **Board of Directors**, which is in charge of strategy, is made up of the Chairman, four Directors, a member of the Executive Committee and a representative of the employees of the John Cockerill Group.

The **Executive Committee** is the body for consultation and tactical decision-making. It is made up of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and one or more employees of the John Cockerill Group, whose specific skills are made available to the John Cockerill Foundation.

The **Selection Committee** is responsible for evaluating and selecting the projects supported by the John Cockerill Foundation throughout the world. It is made up of a representative of the Executive Secretariat and several employees of the John Cockerill Group, who are appointed for a period of one year. The Selection Committee meets twice a year.

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