

## EVI Policies

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### Environmental Policy

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## 1 Abbreviations

EU	European Union
EVI	European Vaccine Initiative

## 2 Policy statement

It is EVI's policy to ensure that any adverse effects on the environment are kept to a minimum.

EVI- therefore:

- Wholly supports the requirements of accepted international standards and current EU environmental legislation and codes of practice
- Minimises consumption through the reduction, reuse, or recycling of materials as far as possible
- Encourages efficient use of energy, utilities and natural resources, especially where they are non-renewable
- Seeks to prevent pollution by reducing the amount of waste arising from its activities
- Operates a travel policy that takes account of the environmental issues as far as is reasonably practical, and encourages where possible, the use of feasible alternative means of transport
- Purchases products and services that, as far as possible, do the least damage to the environment and encourages others to do the same
- Ensures that all EVI employees understand the environmental policy and conform to the high standards required

## 3 Reason for policy

European Vaccine Initiative fully supports the principles of and is committed to promoting good environmental practices and sustainability in the conduct of its funding activities, networking, capacity building and clinical trials.

## 4 Reference regulation and guidelines

European Union environmental policy.

<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/factsheets/en/sheet/71/environment-policy-general-principles-and-basic-framework>

## 5 Audience

EVI's scientific community, and all applicants to include screening of any potential environmental impact in their proposals submitted to EVI for funding. Potential environmental impact will be a consideration in contract negotiations.