

# **Major Management and Financial Achievements**

## Creation and Allocation of Economic Value

								(Unit : KR\	W million)
•	Catego	ory		20	)21	20	22	20	23
Creation of economic value	Operating revenue		24,89	8,005	25,65	0,011	26,37	6,273	
	Allocation to	Shareholde	r allocations	713	,783	795,	,698	839	,315
	shareholders and creditors	Cash dividends	Interest expenses	450,394	263,389	501,844	293,854	482,970	356,345
Allocation	Subcontractors	Expenses for goods and	r purchase of d services	15,13	4,083	15,53	31,197	16,11	6,308
of economic	Employees	Sal	ary	4,21	5,810	4,495	5,885	4,549	9,409
value		Income tax a	and other tax	787	,667	783,	,366	586	,018
	Government	Income tax	Tax and dues (including radio waves)	519,016	268,651	506,404	276,962	335,367	250,651
	Local communities	Donation		10,	981	15,642		24,	664

## **Operating Revenue by Business**

(Unit: KRW million)

Business	2021		2022		2023	
	Revenues	%	Revenues	%	Revenues	%
ICT*	18,387,434	63.0	18,289,243	59.4	18,371,437	58.3
Finance*	3,525,211	12.1	3,613,981	11.7	3,720,859	11.8
Satellite broadcasting*	655,354	2.2	704,928	2.3	708,217	2.2
Real estate	335,373	1.1	485,056	1.6	583,504	1.9
Other*	6,283,023	21.5	7,708,737	25.0	8,118,542	25.8
Subtotal*	29,186,395	100.0	30,801,945	100.0	31,502,559	100.0
Consolidated adjustment	(4,288,390)	-	(5,151,934)	-	(5,126,286)	-
Total	24,898,005	-	25,650,011	-	26,376,273	-
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ICT: Wired and wireless communication, convergence business, B2B Operations
Finance: Credit cards, etc. Satellite: Satellite broadcasting
Other: Information technology, security, global business and other businesses carried out by subsidiaries

## **Number of Subscribers by Service**

		(Unit : 1,000 persons)		
Service	2021	2022	2023	
Wired phone	13,096	12,581	12,035	
IPTV	9,143	9,432	9,409	
High speed internet	9,455	9,727	9,827	
Wireless communication*	22,799	24,062	24,897	

## **Shareholder Composition**

Shareholders	No. of shares (shares)	Shareholding ratio (%)
Treasury stocks	11,447,338	4.44
Foreign entities	111,523,712	43.25
National Pension Service	20,843,859	8.08
Employee Stock Ownership Association	10,184,803	3.95
Domestic individuals, institutions, corporations	103,861,048	40.28
Total	257,860,760	100

## **Status of Patent Management**

(Unit : Cases)

Category	2021	2022	2023
Patent registration in Korea	269	236	198

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## **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

# **Consolidated Comprehensive Income Statement**

	Unit:	KDW	mil	lion
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				(unit : KRW million)
·	ategory	2021	2022	2023
	Current assets	11,858,350	12,681,532	14,518,157
Assets	Non-current assets	25,300,991	28,299,149	28,191,825
	Total assets	37,159,341	40,980,681	42,709,982
	Current liability	10,072,432	10,699,268	13,147,409
Liabilities	Non-current liability	10,519,748	11,866,690	11,001,436
	Total liabilities	20,592,180	22,565,958	24,148,845
	Capital stocks	1,564,499	1,564,499	1,564,499
	Paid-in capital in excess of par value	1,440,258	1,440,258	1,440,258
	Retained earnings	13,287,390	14,257,343	14,494,430
Stockholders'	Other accumulated comprehensive gain/loss	117,469	-77,776	52,407
equity	Other capital components	-1,433,080	-572,152	-802,418
	Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	1,590,625	1,802,551	1,811,961
	Total stockholders' equity	16,567,161	18,414,723	18,561,137
otal liabilities a	nd stockholders' equity	37,159,341	40,980,681	42,709,982

## (Unit: KRW million)

Category	2021	2022	2023
Operating revenues	24,898,005	25,650,011	26,376,273
Operating expenses	23,226,181	23,959,923	24,726,499
Operating income	1,671,824	1,690,088	1,649,774
Other profits	307,654	595,351	308,044
Other expenses	280,081	314,607	507,904
Financial income	726,283	690,428	486,277
Financial expenses	563,330	749,908	568,682
Net income equity interests in associates and joint ventures	116,061	-17,285	-43,424
Income before income tax	1,978,411	1,894,067	1,324,085
Income tax expenses	519,016	506,404	335,367
Net profit for the term	1,459,395	1,387,663	988,718
Other comprehensive gain/loss	165,567	-2,194	7,447
Total comprehensive gain/loss for the term	1,624,962	1,385,469	996,165

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## **UN-SDGs**

The UN-SDGs(Sustainable Development Goals) announced by the UN in September 2015 are composed of 17 goals and 169 sub-targets that the international community should attain between 2016 and 2030(over 15 years). We at KT strongly support them as they are designed to turn the world into a better place to live in. We plan to contribute to realization of these goals by facing challenges, getting a grasp of future business opportunities, and strengthening our sustainability value.

**SDGs** 

#### **KT's Major Activities**



#### GOAL 3

#### Ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all at all ages

- Operation of the Occupational Safety and Health Committee for the prevention of industrial disasters
- · Operation of a psychological counseling center for the mental health management of employees



## GOAL 4

#### Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

- · Operation of e-mentoring, which is an untact learning mentoring program (middle school students-college students)
- · Promoting scholarship programs to foster future digital talent
- Operation of AIVLE School to nurture AI/DX human resources and improve the employment competitiveness of the young adults



### GOAL 5

### Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

- · Operation of seven workplace childcare center, one each in Mokdong/Hyehwa-dong/Umyeon-dong in Seoul and three in Bundang
- · Education for the prevention of sexual harassment in workplaces
- · Election of a female independent director in a bid to expand diversity among the members of the board of directors



#### GOAL 7

#### Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

- Completion of RE100 enrollment and establishment of implementation roadmap
- Operation of PV power plants which can generate 8 MW at 101 places in Korea
- · Construction and operation of 1.9 MW fuel cell power plants in four buildings including the Daegu Logistics Center
- · Promoting smart energy business and social carbon reduction business based on digital technology
- Participated in the Green Premium Scheme and purchased 25,000 MWh of renewable energy



#### GOAL 8

#### Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth

- The first ICT business to sign an agreement for a Business Engaging in Voluntary Win-Win Cooperation
- Operation of "Local Love Markets" to help local communities damaged from disasters
- Work with the Central Labor-Management Council to boost employees' morale and improve their welfare
- · Warm-hearted Technology Plus Challenge to foster social ventures that create social value

**SDGs** 

### **KT's Maior Activities**



## Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and

sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

- · Highest grade in the accompanied growth index for Shared Growth for Large and Small Companies for nine straight years
- · Cooperation with subcontractors in new technology and solutions development
- Provision support for the smooth fund operation of subcontractors through agreements with the Win-Win Cooperation Fund and financial institutions



#### GOAL 10 | Reduce inequality within and among countries

- · Development of the Mind-Talk app to make it possible for hearing-impaired persons to communicate with others using their own voice
- IT Supporters work to address new inequalities created by the digital divide
- Bridging the digital divide to create jobs for the elderly and training for smart care managers
- Price discount for underprivileged persons
- Developing a 'goodwill shop' app to increase access to services for malnourished children



#### **GOAL 12** | Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

- · Implementation of an eco-friendly campaign, 'JIUGAE'
- (small actions to protect the earth, us, and individuals) to spread an in-house eco-friendly culture
- · Utilize wires made from recycled plastic bobbin material
- · Reproduction of eco-friendly set-top boxes by recycling discarded set-top boxes
- · Galaxy Family Phone Program to encourage recycling of mobile phone handsets
- Operated the idle equipment recycling platform 'Carrot Facility'



#### **GOAL 13** | Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

- · Expanded GHG inventory on a consolidated basis
- · ESG online education for employees to improve environmental management awareness and distribution of eco-friendly card news
- · Contributing to GHG reduction through research and service provision utilizing AI/digital technology

## **UN Global Compact**

UN asks businesses to support the ten principles of UN Global Compact(UNGC), fulfill the ten universal principles in four sectors, i.e. human rights/labor/environment/anti-corruption, and provide comprehensive support UNDP. UN also sophisticated the Communication on Progress(COP) to Advanced Level to encourage businesses to fulfill their social responsibility and promote dialogues with stakeholders. Since joining the UN Global Compact in May 2008, we have made it a rule to put the ten principles in the said four sectors into action in our overall operation and will continue to strive to fulfill our social responsibility.

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## **TCFD**

#### FSB(Financial Stability Board):

An international organization under the G20 created in 2009 to strengthen its role in international financial regulation and supervision.

In December 2015, the FSB(Financial Stability Board\*) established the TCFD(Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures) to proactively address climate change. Recognizing the importance of economic decision-making in addressing climate change, the TCFD has developed an international disclosure framework that requires companies to disclose climaterelated financial information in four areas: governance, strategy, risk management, and indicator and target setting systems. KT actively pursues in these international requirements and will make further efforts to respond to climate change.

Category	TCFD Recommendations	Answer	Page in the report
Governance	a Describe the board's oversight of climate-related risks and opportunities	The ESG Management Promotion Team is in charge of environmental management, including climate change. It regularly reports the carbon neutrality strategy and detailed implementation plans by field to the ESG Promotion Committee and the Sustainability Management Committee is a committee within the BOD that approves KT's environmental management strategy and action plans and oversees performance management to ensure that the plans are being implemented.	34
	b Describe management's role in assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities	The CEO is driving climate change initiatives through the ESG Promotion Committee to achieve net-zero. In addition, the overall responsibility for climate change response is assigned to the CSO, who evaluates major climate change risks/opportunities and reports to the BOD and the Sustainability Management Committee.	34
	Describe the climate-related risks and a opportunities the organization has identified over the short, medium, and long term	We analyze potential impacts based on the climate change-related risk/opportunity factors provided by the TCFD Guidelines.	38
Strategy	Describe the impact of climate-related risks and b opportunities on the organization's businesses, strategy, and financial planning	Responsible departments establish response strategies and implementation plans for each risk and opportunity related to climate change.	38
_	Describe the resilience of the organization's strategy, c taking into consideration different climate-related scenarios, including a 2°C or lower scenario	We analyzed the likely risks by considering IEA and NGFS Net-Zero scenarios and IPCC SSP scenarios.	39~41
	a Describe the organization's processes for identifying and assessing climate-related risks	The ESG Management Promotion Team identifies risks related to climate change through scenario analysis and selects issues that pose a significant risk to financial resources or reputation as material issues.	37~45
Risk management	b Describe the organization's processes for managing climate related risks	For risks selected as material issues, we establish response strategies and detailed implementation plans, which are reported to and approved by the ESG Promotion Committee, Sustainability Management Committee, and the BOD.	37~45
	Describe how processes for identifying, assessing, and c managing climate-related risks are integrated into the organization's overall risk management	Establish response strategies and detailed implementation plans for risks identified from an enterprise-wide perspective that have medium- to long-term significance, and report to the BOD for approval.	37
	Disclose the metrics used by the organization to assess a climate-related risks and opportunities in line with its strategy and risk management process	We use indicators such as GHG emissions(Scope 1, 2, and 3), energy usage, and GHG/energy source units to assess risks and opportunities related to climate change.	48~49, 59
Indicator and reduction target	b Disclose Scope 1, Scope 2 and, if appropriate, Scope 3 greenhouse gas(GHG) emissions and the related risks	We disclose our Scope 1, 2, 3 emissions through its annual ESG report.	48~49
	Describe the targets used by the organization to manage c climate-related risks and opportunities and performance against targets	We set a goal of reducing emissions by 51.7% by 2030 and 75.8% by 2040 compared to 2021 emissions to achieve Net-Zero by 2050 and discloses its emissions data every year.	36

## **SASB**

# Sustainability Disclosure Topics & Accounting Metrics

The SASB(Sustainability Accounting Standards Board) Standards are industry-specific sustainability accounting standards issued by the U.S. Sustainability Accounting Standards Board in 2011. For the first time, the SASB Standards systematize financially material sustainability information for 77 industries in 11 areas according to the CICS(Sustainable Industry Classification System), taking into account the specificity of each industry. KT belongs to the Technology & Communications (Telecommunication Services) industry group and reports on its major activities through this report.

Topic	•	Item	Category	Unit	Code	•	Answer	Page in the report
	(1) Total energy consumed		Ouantitative	TJ		23,326	KT is expanding renewable energy activities by joining	46, 59
Environmental Footprint of	(2) Percentage of grid elec	tricity		%	TC-TL-130a.1	98.9	the global initiative RE100, and providing solutions and services for energy saving and	
Operations (3) Percentage	(3) Percentage of renewab	ole energy		%		1.1	expansion of new and renewable energy by participating in various eco-friendly energy projects.	
	Description of policies and practices relating to behave customer privacy		Qualitative	n/a	TC-TL-220a.1	the first p protecting customer	ers the protection of customer information to be rinciple of its corporate value, and is committed to g customer information through the systematization of information protection management and ustomer information protection services.	103~107
Data Privacy  Total amount of m	Number of customers who secondary purposes	ose information is used for	Quantitative	Person	TC-TL-220a.2	None	All personal information collected by KT is processed on an 'opt-in' basis, so there is no chance of using it for secondary purposes.	107
	Total amount of monetary associated with customer	losses as a result of legal proceedings privacy	Quantitative	KRW ten thousand	TC-TL-220a.3	None	There have been no violations of laws related to customer information protection.	104
	(1) Nur	mber of law enforcement requests	Quantitative	Case		None	KT cooperates with government agencies' requests for data under the Telecommunications Business  Act(Article 93, Paragraph 6) and the Telecommunications Secrets Protection Act(Articles 2 and 13) to provide relevant data in accordance with the statutory provision standards and methods.	104, 107
	customer wh	mber of customers ose information was requested			TC-TL-220a.4	282,978		
	information (3) Per	centage resulting in disclosure		%		100		
	(1) Number of data breach	es		Case		None	There have been no violations of laws related to data security.	
	(2) Percentage involving p (personally identifiable inf	ersonally identifiable information PII formation)	Quantitative	%	TC-TL-230a.1	l None		104
Data Security	(3) Number of customers a	affected		Case		None		
	Description of approach to identifying and addressing data security risks, including use of third-party cybersecurity standards		Qualitative	n/a	TC-TL-230a.2	As the use of data information such as big data becomes more active, the importance of the utilization and management of data information is growing. KT has identified major risks and potential business impacts and is preparing countermeasures.		104, 122~124
	(1) Resources recovered th	nrough take back programs				4,793		
Product	(2) Percentage of resource	es that were reused	0	t 0/	TC TL 44C 1	0	KT systematically manages telecommunication waste and designated waste,	
End-of-life Management	(3) Percentage of resource	es that were recycled	Quantitative	ton, %	TC-TL-440a.1	38.0	which constitute the largest portion of waste generated by KT, and strives to maximize recycling.	55
	(4) Percentage of resource	es that were landfilled				0		

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## SASB

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Competitive	Total amount of monetary losses as a result of legal proceedings associated with anticompetitive behavior regulations	Quantitative	KRW	TC-TL-520a.1	In 2023, we were fined by the Korea Fair Trade Commission for violating the Display Advertising Act.  We will do our best to strengthen our fair trade system, including overhauling related systems and business procedures to prevent future violations from occurring.	Business report p.488
Behavior & Open Internet	(1) Company owned and commercially-associated content	Ouantitative	Mhns	TC-TL-520a.2	KT does not disclose download speed data broken down	-
	(2) Average download speed of irrelevant content	Quantitative	Mbps	1C-1L-520a.2	by content type(proprietary, commercial, etc.).	-
	Description of risks and opportunities associated with net neutrality, paid peering, zero rating, and related practices	Qualitative	n/a	TC-TL-520a.3	KT complies with the 'Guidelines on Net Neutrality and Internet Traffic Management'.*	-
Managing	(1) System average interruption frequency	Ouantitative	Frequency per customer	omer otime er	In 2023, there was a total of 1 communication service failure that is subject to user notification under the Enforcement Decree of the Telecommunications Business Act revised in 2019.	66~68
Systemic Risks	(2) Customer average interruption duration	Quantitative	Downtime per customer		(2023.1.3 DNS traffic increased beyond the switches for Domain Name System (DNS) access in the Busan area, causing some customers to be unable to connect smoothly.)	00 00
Technology Disruptions	Response system to provide normal service in case of service interruption	Qualitative	n/a	TC-TL-550a.2	KT strives to provide the highest level of communication services based on measures to strengthen network stability and secure network survivability.  We are organizing various systems such as traffic diversion routes, emergency recovery solutions(OPR), and a response system for power outages and fires at telephone service stations, and we will continue to develop these systems through active responses.	66~68

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## **Activity Metrics**

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Number of wireless subscribers			TC-TL-000.A	24,897	
Number of wireline subscribers	Overtitative	Thousand persons	TC-TL-000.B	12,035	127
Number of broadband* subscribers	Quantitative	itative	TC-TL-000.C	19,236	
Network traffic		PB (Petabytes)	TC-TL-000.D	3,488	69

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	Environment labeling	E-9-1	Percentage of products and serviced certified as eco-friendly	Not relevant considering nature of the industry

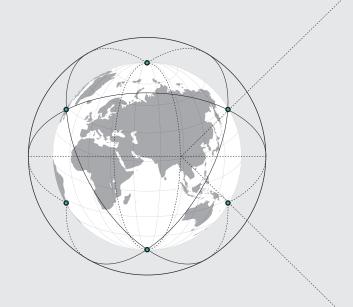
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# **Association and Organization Memberships**

## **Domestic Associations and Academies**



Korean Association for Supporting the SDGs for the UN	Korea IPTV Broadcasting Association	KTOA (Korea Telecommunications Operations Association)
Korea Enterprises Federation	TTA (Telecommunications Technology Association)	Mobile Authentication Standards Association
5G Forum	K-META (Korea Metaverse Industry Association)	MEC Forum
SDN/NFV Forum	Korea Digital Content Association	Korea Association of Smart Homes
Korea Air Environment Association	Korea Smart Grid Association	

GSMA	3GPP	O-RAN Alliance
UN Global Compact	GCF	имито
International Telecommunication Union	CSA	The Climate Group
WBA		

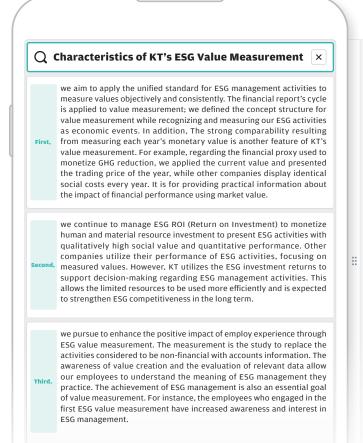
**Associations and Academies Outside the Country** 

# ESG Value Measurement Model Development

Since 2022, KT has been conducting research with Yonsei University's ESG/Corporate Ethics Research Center to analyze the environmental and social impacts of its major businesses and measure their performance. In the first year, we laid the theoretical groundwork for value measurement. In 2023, our efforts centered on improving and advancing the measurement model. KT's ESG value measurement model is designed not just for recognition of our ESG efforts, but as a practical tool to support decision-making in ESG management. To this end, KT has established a robust ESG value measurement model as follows:

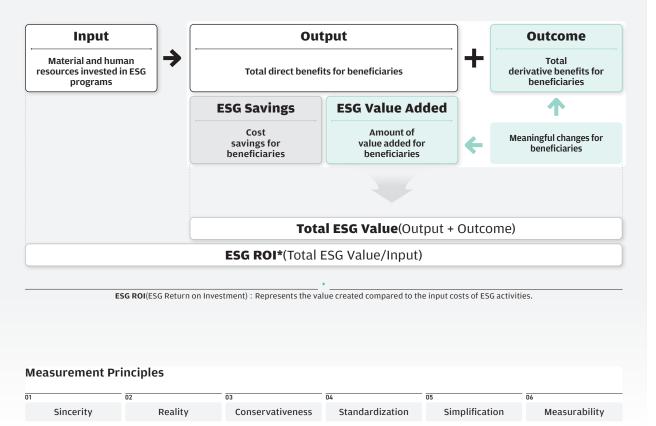






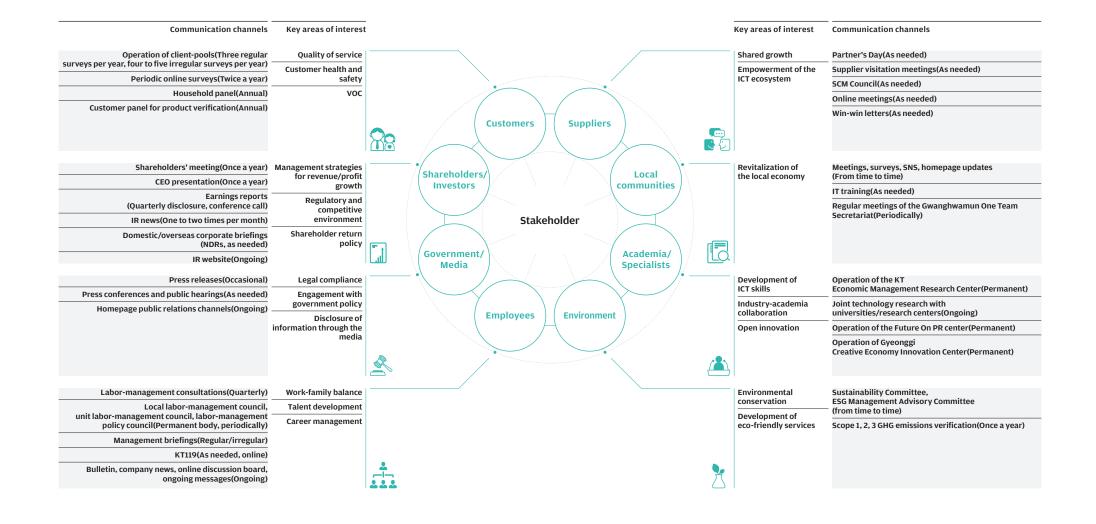
We will continuously develop tools for ESG management and support our

employees in enhancing their ESG capabilities.



# Stakeholder Engagement

Engaging in smooth communication with various stakeholders and reflecting their collected opinions in management activities are crucial to promoting corporate sustainability management. Therefore, KT has defined eight major stakeholder groups and established participation processes for each group to identify stakeholder expectations and requirements, and is striving to strengthen transparent governance.



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## **GHG Assurance Statement**

# **Verification Statement**







KOA-T2424 Verification No KT Corporation Company name Representative Kim Yeong-Sup 102-81-42945 Business Registration No Address

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KOA confirms that under the limited level of assurance. the verification of the above company's Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions is appropriate. Based on verification according to relevant standards, We did not identify any inappropriate calculations or errors for the emissions of major emitting facilities.

KQA confirms that under the reasonable level of assurance, the verification of the above company's collected, prepared and reported amount of energy usage/GHG emissions is appropriate.

Guidelines for Reporting and Certification of Emissions in the Greenhouse

Verification Standards

Verification Scope

ISO 14064-1:2006, ISO 14064-3:2006

WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol

IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (2006)

Guidelines for Reporting and Certification of Emissions in the Greenhouse Gas

**Emissions Trading Scheme** 

Verification guidelines for the operation of emissions trading schemes Business locations and emission facilities included under the separate

standards of KT Corporation of the year 2023.

Scope 3 emissions 1,854,314 ton CO2\_eq Social reduction 288,884 ton CO,\_eq

Verification guidelines for the operation of emissions trading schemes Verification Scope Business locations and emission facilities included under the separate

Gas Emissions Trading Scheme

standards of KT Corporation of the year 2023 (Scope 1&2)

Total GHG Emissions		1,127,476 ton CO <sub>2</sub> _eq	
	Scope 1	38,565.201 ton CO <sub>2-</sub> eq	
	Scope 2	1,088,910.71 ton CO <sub>2-</sub> eq	
Total Energy Usage		23,255 TJ	
	Scope 1	559.224 TJ	
	Scope 2	22,695.265 TJ	

Appendix 1: Other Indirect Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Scope 3) by Category

Category	Emissions(tCO <sub>2</sub> _eq)	Percentage(%)
1. Purchased Goods and Services	987,721.698	53.27
2. Capital Goods	474,709.112	25.60
3. Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities Not Included in Scope 1 or Scope 2	126,174.811	6.80
5. Waste Generated in Operations	6,674.084	0.36
6. Business tavel	6,672.399	0.36
7. Employee Commuting	18,426.853	0.99
11. Use of Sold Products	37,378.815	2.02
12. End-of-Life Treatment of Sold Products	1,530.421	0.08
13. Downstream leased assets	78,497.489	4.23
14. Franchises	83,122.410	4.48
15, Investments	33,405.624	1.80
Total amount	1,854,314	100.0

21 June 2024

Verification Standards

Korea Quality Assurance

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Korea Quality Assurance

(GHG · Energy verification body '2011-3rd' accredited by the ministry of environment.)

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# **Verification Statement**







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Verification Standards ISO 14064-1:2006, ISO 14064-3:2006

WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol

IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhous Gas Inventories (2006)

Guidelines for Reporting and Certification of Emissions in the Greenhouse Gas

**Emissions Trading Scheme** 

Verification guidelines for the operation of emissions trading schemes

Verification Scope Business locations and emission facilities included under the consolidated

standards of KT Corporation of the year 2023

Scope 3 emissions 2,442,536 ton CO2\_eq Social reduction 288,884 ton CO<sub>2</sub>\_eq

Appendix 1: Other Indirect Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Scope 3) by Category

Category	Emissions(tCO <sub>2</sub> _eq)	Percentage(%)
1. Purchased Goods and Services	1,200,407.602	49.15
2. Capital Goods	592,700.187	24.27
3. Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities Not Included in Scope 1 or Scope 2	181,894.832	7.45
5. Waste Generated in Operations	10,448.282	0.43
6. Business tavel	12,738.116	0.52
7. Employee Commuting	55,042.384	2.25
11. Use of Sold Products	41,990.005	1.72
12. End-of-Life Treatment of Sold Products	1,774.828	0.07
13. Downstream leased assets	219,760.017	9.00
14. Franchises	84,563.807	3.46
15. Investments	41,215.910	1.69
Total amount	2,442,536	100.0

Company name KT Corporation Representative Kim Yeong-Sup Business Registration No Address

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Verification Standards ISO 14064-1:2006, ISO 14064-3:2006

WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol

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Total GHG Emissions 1,612,735 ton CO<sub>2</sub>\_eq Scope 1 66,134.264 ton CO<sub>2</sub>\_eq Scope 2 1,546,600.825 ton CO<sub>2</sub>\_eq

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## To readers of KT ESG REPORT 2024

# **Independent Assurance Statement**

#### Introduction

Korea Management Registrar (KMR) was commissioned by KT to conduct an independent assurance of its ESG REPORT 2024 (the "Report"). The data and its presentation in the Report is the sole responsibility of the management of KT. KMR's responsibility is to perform an assurance engagement as agreed upon in our agreement with KT and issue an assurance statement.

## **Scope and Standards**

KT described its sustainability performance and activities in the Report. Our Assurance Team carried out an assurance engagement in accordance with the AA1000AS v3 and KMR's assurance standard SRV1000. We are providing a Type 2, moderate level assurance. We evaluated the adherence to the AA1000AP (2018) principles of inclusivity, materiality, responsiveness and impact, and the reliability of the information and data provided using the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Index provided below. The opinion expressed in the Assurance Statement has been formed at the materiality of the professional judgment of our Assurance Team.

Confirmation that the Report was prepared in accordance with GRI standards 2021 was included in the scope of the assurance. We have reviewed the topic-specific disclosures of standards which were identified in the materiality assessment process.

- GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards 2021
- Universal standards
- Topic specific standards

– GRI 205	: Anti-corruption
– GRI 206	: Anti-competitive Behavior
– GRI 305	: Emissions
– GRI 417	: Marketing and Labeling

As for the reporting boundary, the engagement excludes the data and information of KT's partners, suppliers and any third parties.

## KMR's Approach

To perform an assurance engagement within an agreed scope of assessment using the standards outlined above, our Assurance Team undertook the following activities as part of the engagement:

- 1 reviewed the overall Report;
- 2 reviewed materiality assessment methodology and the assessment report;
- 3 evaluated sustainability strategies, performance data management system, and processes;
- 4 interviewed people in charge of preparing the Report;
- 5 reviewed the reliability of the Report's performance data and conducted data sampling;
- 6 assessed the reliability of information using independent external sources such as Financial Supervisory Service's DART and public databases.

#### **Limitations and Recommendations**

KMR's assurance engagement is based on the assumption that the data and information provided by KT to us as part of our review are provided in good faith. Limited depth of evidence gathering including inquiry and analytical procedures and limited sampling at lower levels in the organization were applied. To address this, we referred to independent external sources such as DART and National Greenhouse Gas Management System (NGMS) and public databases to challenge the quality and reliability of the information provided.

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## **Conclusion and Opinion**

Based on the document reviews and interviews, we had several discussions with KT on the revision of the Report. We reviewed the Report's final version in order to make sure that our recommendations for improvement and revision have been reflected. Based on the work performed, it is our opinion that the Report applied the GRI Standards. Nothing comes to our attention to suggest that the Report was not prepared in accordance with the AA1000AP (2018) principles.

### Inclusivity

KT has developed and maintained different stakeholder communication channels at all levels to announce and fulfill its responsibilities to the stakeholders. Nothing comes to our attention to suggest that there is a key stakeholder group left out in the process. The organization makes efforts to properly reflect opinions and expectations into its strategies.

#### Materiality

KT has a unique materiality assessment process to decide the impact of issues identified on its sustainability performance. We have not found any material topics left out in the process.

## Responsiveness

KT prioritized material issues to provide a comprehensive, balanced report of performance, responses, and future plans regarding them. We did not find anything to suggest that data and information disclosed in the Report do not give a fair representation of KT's actions.

### **Impact**

KT identifies and monitors the direct and indirect impacts of material topics found through the materiality assessment, and quantifies such impacts as much as possible.

## Reliability of Specific Sustainability Performance Information

In addition to the adherence to AA1000AP (2018) principles, we have assessed the reliability of economic, environmental, and social performance data related to sustainability performance. We interviewed the in-charge persons and reviewed information on a sampling basis and supporting documents as well as external sources and public databases to confirm that the disclosed data is reliable. Any intentional error or misstatement is not noted from the data and information disclosed in the Report.

## Competence and Independence

KMR maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures in accordance with ISO/IEC 17021-2015 - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management systems. This engagement was carried out by an independent team of sustainability assurance professionals. KMR has no other contract with KT and did not provide any services to KT that could compromise the independence of our work.









## **ABOUT THIS REPORT**

#### Overview

This report is the 19th ESG report published by KT. Through the publication of this report, KT intends to transparently disclose its ESG(environmental, social, governance) activities and performance in 2023. Furthermore, we hope that this report will serve as a communication channel to share information on KT's sustainability management strategies and direction. In addition, we will actively collect stakeholders' opinions and reflect them in our ESG management.

## **Reporting Frequency**

Every year (latest publication: July 2023)

## **Reporting Period and Scope**

This report covers KT headquarters and the branch offices nationwide from January to December 2023, includes some major business activities in the first half of 2024. Major quantitative data were created based on data from the last three years to report trends according to time series.

## **Reporting Standards and Verification**

This Report complies with the GRI(Global Reporting Initiative) Standards 2021, which are guidelines for international reports on sustainable management, in order to disclose the results of our sustainable management more transparently. As prescribed by the GRI, this Report reflects the major agenda items of the UN Global Compact Principles and ISO 26000. Financial results have been compiled based on the consolidated financial statements according to the K-IFRS(Korean International Financial Reporting Standards). We have had the contents of the report verified by a third party to secure reliability and fairness, and the results are stated in the verification opinion.

## **Report distribution and feedback**

Interested parties can download our ESG Report, which is published in the pdf format in both Korean and English. Please feel free to contact the address below if you wish to express your opinion or ask questions about our sustainable management or the contents of this Report.

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