



Introduction

Each year the **Sustainability Report** ^[1] (hereinafter referred to as "Report") attempts to provide its readers with a greater understanding of the complex relationships that make up the Autogrill world. The significant growth over the past few years has transformed the Autogrill Group (referred to as "Autogrill," "Company," or "Group") into a highly recognized organization, synonymous not only with complete and quality products, but also with a style and a way of being for ever changing people, cultures and markets, making the most of each unique element.

The structure of the new Report reflects the Afuture philosophy - a project launched by the Group in 2007. The Afuture philosophy's goal is to implement a concept of business in the name of sustainability and constant search for innovative solutions likely to satisfy the expectations of the different categories of stakeholders while at the same time gaining a competitive advantage in the marketplace. Autogrill's commitment to this project takes into account the constantly evolving international context and the numerous stakeholders with whom it interacts.

The Report is based on the results of the annual Sustainability Package, the reporting system used to gather information and data related to sustainability in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI-G3) guidelines from all the countries where the Group operates. GRI is a multi-stakeholder network made of experts who define sustainability reporting procedures and promote their diffusion. The Report, based on the GRI-G3 guidelines, which require among other things extremely high levels of transparency and **completeness** ^[2] of information, offers stakeholders a company overview.

In addition to defining a detailed set of indicators for each performance segment -environmental, economic and social - the international standard requires that a self-assessment, as to the degree of application of these indicators, be included in the Report. This self-assessment is based on three levels (A, B and C, in the order of importance) that correspond to the degree to which the guidelines have been applied. The independent auditors KPMG also assessed the consistency of the Company's accounting records, as well as social and environmental data, which resulted in a "+" sign being added to the level achieved.

For the second year in a row the Autogrill Group obtained a **rating** ^[3] of "B+ checked" from Global Reporting Initiative.

Report Application Levels

		2002	C	C+	B	B+	A	A+
		In Accordance						
Optional	Mandatory	Self Declared						
	Third Party Checked			Report Externally Assured		Report Externally Assured		Report Externally Assured
	GRI Checked			Report Externally Assured		Report Externally Assured		Report Externally Assured



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