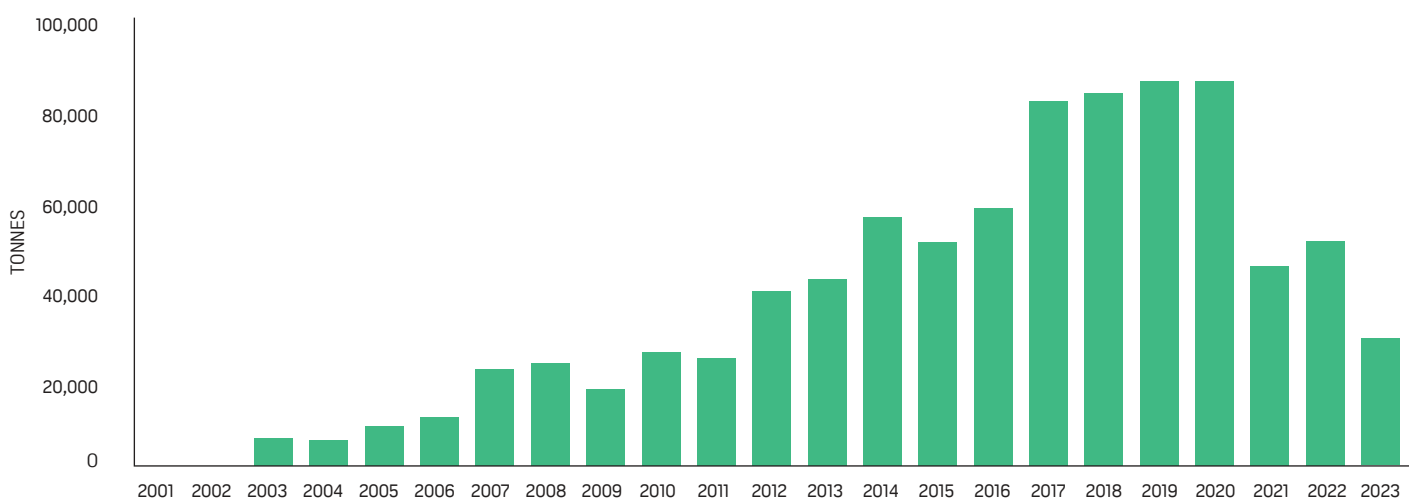


# THE VINYLPLUS 2030 COMMITMENT FOR PVC PIPES

## PVC PIPES AND FITTINGS RECYCLED THROUGH VINYLPLUS SINCE 2000



Note: The decrease since 2021 is mainly explained by new definitions of pre-consumer waste and, secondly, by challenging market conditions for recycled plastics.

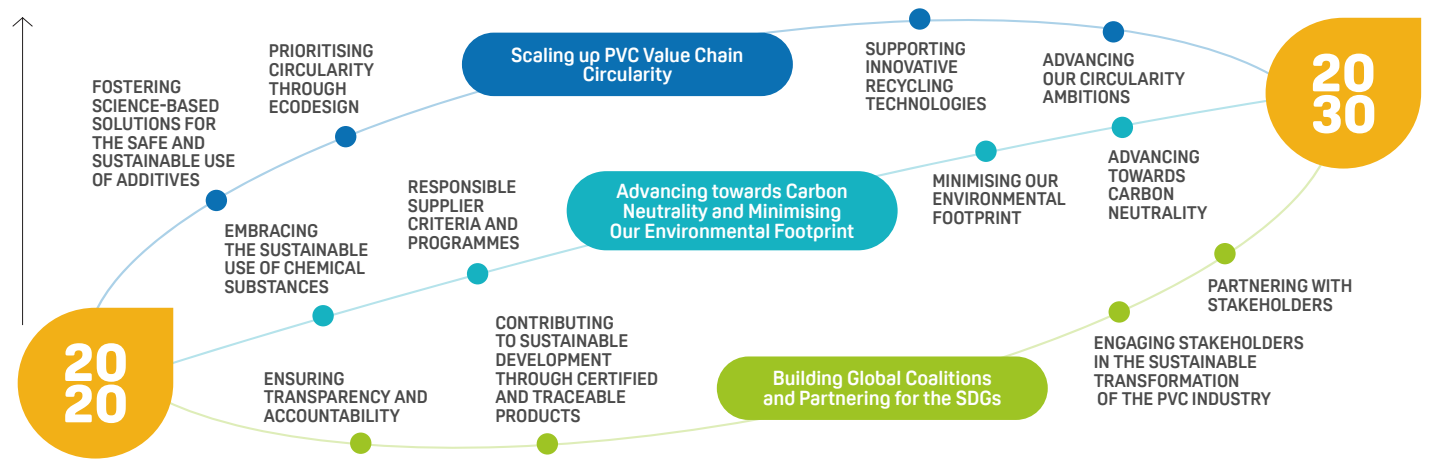
**PVC is one of the most versatile and widely used polymers in the world.**

It makes life safer and more comfortable through its extensive use in building and construction, as well as in a wide array of other sectors. Since 2000, the European PVC industry, through VinylPlus<sup>®</sup>, has been strongly committed to implementing a long-term sustainability framework for the entire PVC value chain and improving PVC products' sustainability and circularity, as well as their contribution to a sustainable society.

## VINYLPLUS 2030

**VinylPlus 2030 is the European PVC industry's commitment to sustainable development.**

With VinylPlus 2030, VinylPlus aims to contribute proactively to addressing global sustainability challenges and priorities. Each industry sector, such as the pipe sector, is committed to transpose the Commitment into its specific reality, cascading targets down to engage more colleagues in the partner companies and to select priorities for their contribution.



Addressing internal and external stakeholders' expectations and priorities through three pathways and 12 action areas.

## VINYLPLUS 2030: 3 PATHWAYS



### Pathway 1

**The European PVC industry confirms the recycling commitments made with the European Commission, and where feasible, to further stretch them to continue advancing towards full circularity of the European PVC value chain.**

**The PVC pipe manufacturers partners of VinylPlus commit to**

- ▶ provide reliable and credible figures of recyclates produced and uptaken in new products
- ▶ set up collection and recycling schemes
- ▶ provide evaluations to demonstrate safe use of legacy additives
- ▶ develop solutions to remove legacy additives from end of life pipes.

### Pathway 2

**The European PVC industry recognises the need to take urgent action to combat climate change in line with the EU Green Deal's targets, minimise the environmental footprint of production processes and products in line with the EU Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability, and increase resource efficiency in consumption and production.**

**The PVC pipe manufacturers partners of VinylPlus commit to**

- ▶ continue supporting the sustainable use of additives
- ▶ evaluate the water footprint of their processes and products
- ▶ hold and report on third-party verified LCAs in Environmental Product Declarations
- ▶ sign up to Operation Clean Sweep<sup>®</sup> for the minimization and responsible treatment of spillages of polymers and polymer compounds across the lifecycle stages.

### Pathway 3

**The European PVC industry recognizes the key role of the UN SDGs to**

- ▶ contribute to global development
- ▶ promote human well-being
- ▶ protect the environment

VinylPlus encourages its partners to ensure transparency and communicate progress to their stakeholders. VinylPlus will continue to promote its third party sustainability certification scheme called VinylPlus<sup>®</sup> Product Label, with the aim to help the buyers of PVC articles to select products with the best sustainability performance.