

SUSTAINABILITY AND ESG



Message From The OADC CEO On Sustainability



“Sustainability remains central to our purpose and to the long term value we create as a Group”

Over the past year, the global digital economy has continued to accelerate, with cloud services, artificial intelligence, financial inclusion and digital public service delivery all becoming more dependent on resilient, high quality digital infrastructure and significant increases in energy demands. As this reliance grows, so does our responsibility to deliver infrastructure that supports economic advancement while minimising environmental impact.

As the nexus of Africa's digital infrastructure landscape, WIOCC Group enables sustainable progress and unlocks social impact at scale, reinforcing our commitment to responsible, future-ready development and positively impacting economies and people across the continent.

WIOCC Group reaffirmed its commitment to climate-conscious digital infrastructure through active participation in the global Infrastructure Masons Climate Accord, further strengthening industry collaboration.

In 2025, the Group achieved meaningful progress in strengthening its GHG reporting frameworks through the implementation of a Group wide carbon accounting programme using CarbonSuite, enabling a consolidated and standards-aligned emissions inventory. By leveraging transaction level data to quantify Scope 1, Scope 2 and material Scope 3 emissions, the system enhances the accuracy and auditability of disclosures, supports readiness for IFRS S1 and S2 and further underscores the Group's commitment to responsible digital infrastructure development across Africa.

WIOCC Group secured a US\$65 million sustainability-linked financing facility arranged by IFC, Proparco, EAAIF and Ninety-One, highlighting the strong alignment between our growth strategy and global ESG expectations. The facility supports the expansion of open-access digital infrastructure across Africa while promoting meaningful environmental improvements, including reduced data-centre energy intensity and green-building certification for all new facilities. This financing incorporates accountability into our operations and guarantees that our ongoing growth delivers positive environmental and social impacts across the continent.

Our sustainability efforts this year were driven by three strategic priorities:

- First, we strengthened Group wide environmental and social governance by advancing our Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS). By embedding this internationally aligned governance framework across all countries and business lines, we are enhancing our ability to identify, assess and manage environmental and social risks in a responsible, proactive and consistent manner. We have developed an eight pillar strategic framework and our execution approach ensures sustainability is an intrinsic part of corporate governance and embedded into the fabric of organisational competency.

- Second, we enhanced our environmental and climate risk management capabilities. We improved climate risk screening and environmental impact assessment processes to ensure that our assets remain resilient and that our long term investment planning is informed by robust climate related insights. This forward looking approach enables us to anticipate climate risks, protect our infrastructure and ensure continuity of service for our clients and partners.

- Third, we strengthened labour, community and stakeholder safeguards across the Group. Our focus included elevating labour practice standards, enhancing grievance mechanisms and improving third party oversight to ensure ethical and responsible conduct across our value chain. We also deepened our stakeholder engagement frameworks to build transparent, trust based relationships with communities, regulators and partners. These initiatives reflect our commitment to upholding human rights, safeguarding wellbeing and contributing positively to the communities in which we operate.

Looking ahead, our ambition remains clear: to build a digitally empowered Africa while maintaining the highest levels of environmental and social responsibility. As we align with global climate initiatives, invest in energy efficient infrastructure and expand digital access across the continent, we remain steadfast in our commitment to sustainable growth. Through innovation, collaboration and responsible leadership, we will continue to shape a future where digital progress and environmental stewardship advance together.

Ayotunde Coker
Chief Executive Officer, Open Access Data Centres

Sustainability Outlook

Our 2025 sustainability initiatives were driven by a clear objective: to reduce environmental impact while improving operational efficiency across our data centre footprint, ensuring that growth in digital infrastructure is matched by measurable progress in energy, water and waste management.

Across all sites, improved Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE) metrics were achieved through the careful review and optimisation of facility setpoints, directly reducing overall energy consumption without compromising performance or resilience. Operational discipline was further strengthened by ensuring data hall doors remain closed wherever possible and by blanking off gaps within racks and containment systems, improving airflow management and cooling efficiency. At Durban (DUR1), the commissioning and go-live of a 330kW solar system at our 2Africa cable landing station and data centre marked a significant milestone, offsetting the entire energy consumption of DH1.2 data hall during peak sun hours and materially reducing grid dependency.



Phase-two of Lagos data centre (LOS1) is progressing in alignment with International Finance Corporation (IFC) Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiencies (EDGE) certification standards, embedding resource efficiency into the design from inception.

Our approach to waste and water management continues to reflect Africa's environmental realities. Electronic and general waste streams are managed through responsible recycling partners wherever possible, reducing landfill impact and promoting circular economy principles.

Recognising that much of Africa is a water-scarce region, we prioritise careful water stewardship across all facilities. This includes grey water recycling at LOS1 and rainwater collection and reuse initiatives across our data centres, reducing reliance on municipal water supplies and supporting long-term sustainability.

Looking ahead to 2026, our focus remains on continuous improvement. All sites will maintain an active programme of PUE optimisation through ongoing review and refinement of facility setpoints to further lower energy usage. At LOS1, we will continue investigating gas-powered generator options as a potential primary power solution to enhance efficiency and resilience. Phase-two design will be completed in full alignment with IFC EDGE certification guidelines, reinforcing our commitment to internationally recognised green building standards.

Collectively, these initiatives demonstrate a deliberate and structured approach to sustainability, integrating energy efficiency, renewable power, responsible resource management and forward-looking design into the core of our operational strategy

The plans for 2026 include:

- Continued improvement on PUE's metrics by continuously reviewing and altering of facility setpoints, reducing overall energy usage
- LOS1 – continue the investigation of gas power generator options as primary power
- LOS1 – complete SW4 phase-two design in accordance to IFC EDGE certification guidelines

2025 Sustainability Highlights



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PUE metric target



330kW

Solar system at the 2Africa cable landing station



99.999%

Uptime for data centres



US\$65M

Sustainability-linked financing



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Certifications for all our Core data centres (excluding the Edge facilities in South Africa)

