

Energy Policy

The Bernhard Nocht Institute is committed to the efficient and sustainable use of energy and naturally limited resources, as well as to supporting global climate protection targets.

Our aim is to continuously improve our energy performance without compromising the quality and safety of our research and support services, or the integrity and freedom of our scientific work. We have therefore introduced an energy management system and ensure that this, too, is continuously improved.

This energy policy provides the framework for setting and reviewing energy targets and associated action plans to improve our energy performance. To achieve this, the management has appointed an energy management officer and provides the necessary personnel, technical and financial resources for the definition, implementation and review of these measures. We comply with all relevant legal obligations and other requirements and review this compliance at regular intervals.

When procuring energy-consuming products, equipment and services that have an impact on the Institute's energy performance, we systematically take energy efficiency and, where possible, life-cycle costs into account. Similarly, when designing new, modified or refurbished facilities/sites, equipment, systems and energy-consuming processes, we consider opportunities to improve energy performance and ensure energy-efficient operations, taking particular account of the requirements of laboratory and research operations.

To raise our staff's awareness of efficient energy use, we provide training on energy-related topics and communicate our energy policy and objectives to both our own staff and all contractors working on our behalf.

We ensure that relevant energy-related information and data are available to us, enabling us to make informed decisions to improve energy performance. We review and evaluate our energy policy and all energy management activities derived from it at regular intervals, and adapt them as necessary to changing circumstances.

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