

Client Case Studies



6 Hewlett Packard - Implementation of ISO 14001



The Context

- Hewlett-Packard (HP) has operated in Ireland at its Leixlip facility for approximately 20 years and has been consistently committed to a sustainable environment.
- For example, HP was one of the first manufacturers in Ireland to introduce PCs that can 'power down' when not in use, earning the company the respected Energy Star Label.
- As part of its commitment to environmental improvement and sustainable development, HP Ireland decided to implement a formal environmental management system (EMS) in order to achieve ISO 14001 certification, the international environmental management system.
- HP decided to engage Antaris to help implement this system.

The Challenge

- HP is a multinational company with diverse operations and a complex supply chain. Implementing ISO 14001 across various business units and locations can be challenging due to the need for coordination, communication, and alignment of environmental objectives and practices.
- Implementing ISO 14001 requires allocating resources, including personnel, time, and finances.
- All international businesses rely on a complex global supply chain, involving numerous suppliers and subcontractors. Ensuring compliance with ISO 14001 throughout the supply chain presents challenges, such as assessing supplier environmental performance, promoting sustainable practices, and monitoring suppliers' adherence to environmental standards.

The Idea

- We conducted an initial environmental review to assess the company's existing EMS, identify any gaps against the requirements of the standard and provide a basis for the new documented system.
- We also assisted the company in identifying and evaluating (the identification and evaluation of) environmental aspects and helped it to understand its legal environmental obligations.

The Execution

- We developed an environmental management system manual and an environmental procedures manual, including references to all documents and records required by the standard.
- The environmental management system was further documented based on existing materials where possible, including the environmental policy, corporate standards, emergency plans and procedures.

The Results

- Shortly after HP implemented the new environmental management system it received ISO 14001 certification.
- The system has now been operating for some years and continues to deliver environmental improvements to the company.

Thank you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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