

FIFCO reaffirms its environmental leadership on International Climate Change Day

- Its climate action strategy is based on mitigation, adaptation, and energy efficiency.
- FIFCO was recognized by the MERCO Costa Rica 2025 Ranking as the most environmentally responsible company.

October 2025. On International Climate Change Day, FIFCO calls for action in the face of a challenging climate context. According to the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), 2024 was the warmest year on record, marking the first time that the global average temperature exceeded 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. This milestone represents a critical warning, as exceeding this threshold dramatically increases the risk of extreme events, biodiversity loss, and food crises.

Limiting global warming to 1.5 °C, according to the World Resources Institute (WRI), would halve the warming rate by 2030 and improve the effectiveness of adaptation strategies. However, greenhouse gas concentrations reached a record high in 2025, according to the WMO, underscoring the need to accelerate the transition to sustainable models.

In this global landscape, FIFCO reaffirms its commitment as a leader in environmental sustainability and climate action. Its strategy is structured around three pillars: Climate Action, Water Positive, and Circular Economy, which drive comprehensive management to mitigate, offset, and regenerate environmental impacts.

The company maintains a carbon-positive operation, implements energy-efficient technologies, and promotes sustainability in its operations. In turn, FIFCO is part of the participatory process of updating the National Biodiversity Strategy to align with the Kunming-Montreal Global Framework, promoting resilience, restoration, and conservation through concrete actions to protect ecosystems and reduce the impact on biodiversity. For example, through conservation and ecological restoration projects, FIFCO protects water sources, promotes reforestation, and fosters the resilience of ecosystems and communities to the effects of climate change.

Thanks to projects such as *Eco Conexión Urbana* (ECU), it is converting industrial green areas at its plant in Heredia into urban climate refuges within the CBI-Cubujuquí Interurban Biological Corridor, strengthening ecological connectivity and urban biodiversity.

The company is also making progress in responsible water management with its Water Positive goal, through water recirculation, treatment, and compensation systems, while its focus on circular economy drives 100% recovery of post-consumer plastic packaging and Zero Waste to Landfill certification in its operations.

"At FIFCO, we understand that climate action is not a task for the future, but a present urgency. The projects we undertake generate a measurable positive impact, demonstrating



that sustainability and competitiveness can go hand in hand," said Maria Pía Robles, Director of Corporate Relations at FIFCO.

These efforts are part of the company's sustainability goals, which promote innovation, resource efficiency, and environmental regeneration under its Expansive Sustainability vision, a model that transcends compliance to generate shared value between the company, the environment, and the community.

FIFCO's industrial operation boasts the most modern plant in Central America, equipped with state-of-the-art technology, automation systems, traceability, and intelligent monitoring that guarantee efficiency and precision in every process. The company has incorporated artificial intelligence and advanced analytics to optimize the use of energy, water, and materials, demonstrating that technology can be a powerful ally of sustainability.

In recognition of this leadership, FIFCO was distinguished by the MERCO 2025 ranking as the most environmentally responsible company in Costa Rica, consolidating its position as a business benchmark in climate management, innovation, and sustainability. "This recognition reaffirms that sustainable results are possible when integrated into business strategy. Our goal is to continue building a future without limits, where economic growth actively contributes to regenerating the planet," explained Robles.

With a long-term vision, FIFCO continues to demonstrate that the response to climate change is not based solely on reducing impacts, but on restoring, innovating, and leading with purpose. Its expansive sustainability model puts technology at the service of the environment and operational efficiency, contributing to keeping alive the 1.5 °C goal, the global objective of the Paris Agreement, and thus protecting the well-being of future generations.

We invite you to learn more about this and other projects in the company's 2024 Integrated Report, available at www.fifco.com/en/, in the Environmental Strategy section, page 126.

About FIFCO

FIFCO is a beverage and food company with 117 years of history, with operations in Costa Rica, Central America, Dominican Republic, Mexico, and the United States, 5 manufacturing plants and 13 distribution centers. It has 3 business divisions that include Florida Bebidas (food and beverages), FIFCO Hospitality (real estate sector) and FIFCO Retail (retail sales). It exports to over 10 countries around the world and has a portfolio of more than 2,000 products.