# Ashtead group

## **ESG & Rental**

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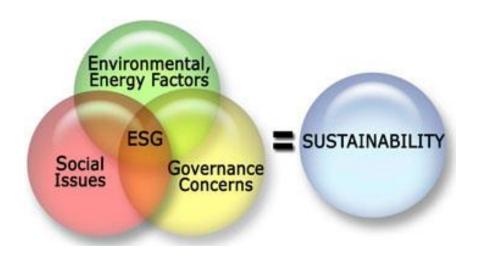
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## What is ESG (Environmental Social & Governance)



- ESG refers to the three key factors when measuring the sustainable & ethical impact of an investment in a business or company.
- Socially responsible investors check companies ESG criteria to screen investments
  - ESG investment is growing exponentially and will likely reach circa \$4.5trn over the next 6-8 years





#### **ENVIRONMENT (E)**

- Climate change
- Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions
- Resource depletion, including water
- Waste and pollution
- Deforestation



#### SOCIAL (S)

- Working conditions, including slavery and child labour
- Local communities, including indigenous communities
- Conflict
- Health and safety
- Employee relations and diversity



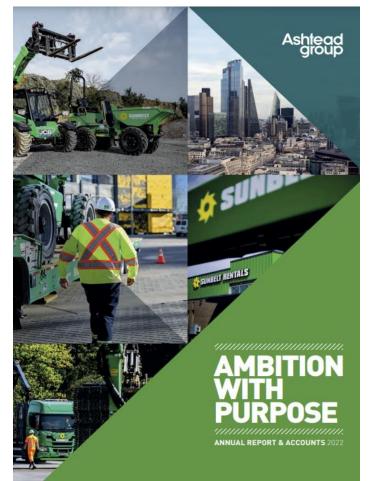
#### **GOVERNANCE (G)**

- Executive pay
- Bribery and corruption
- Political lobbying and donations
- Board diversity and structure
- Tax strategy

#### A responsible business



Ashtead Group is committed to being a responsible business and we recognize that this approach helps deliver the trust that makes our business function. As a part of this commitment, we know that focusing on improving the lives of our customers, employees, investors and the communities where we live, and work is essential to delivering our sustainable business model.





#### **Our ESG Journey**





Our strategy supports 8 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal's



## How can rental help?



#### Capital;

 We are targeting a cap-ex budget of \$3 billion thereby bringing new and innovate products to the market, helping support our customers in meeting an ever growing need for low/zero emission products

#### Supplier engagement;

 The JLG DaVinci all-electric scissor lift delivers zero leaks, zero in use emissions and low noise along with low maintenance

#### Customer engagement;

- Our scope 3 emissions are our customers scope 1 growing need for low/zero emission assets
- Avenue to accelerate the rent versus own argument through a reduction in embodied carbon

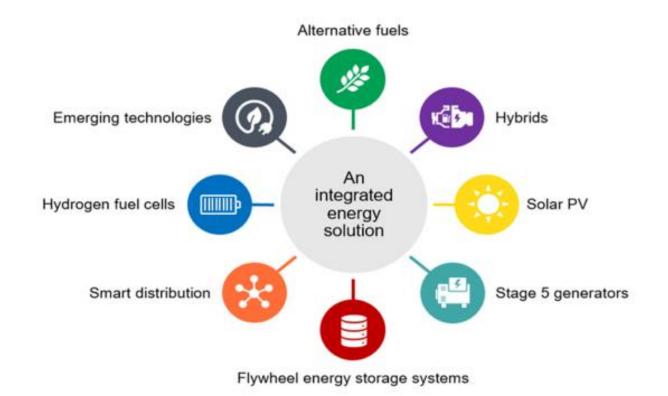


## **Customer needs are changing**



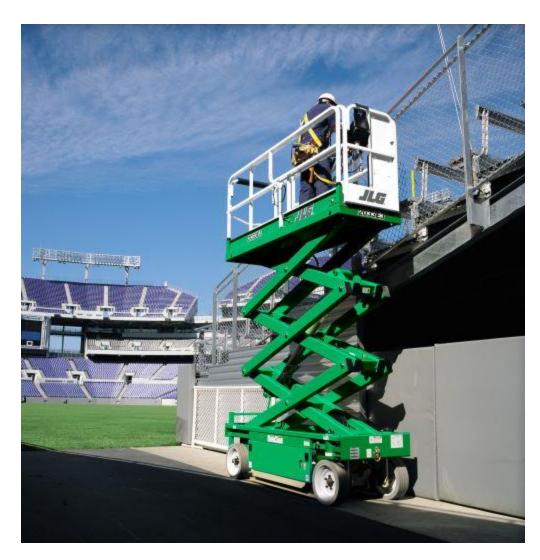
#### INTEGRATED ENERGY SOLUTIONS

Customers are pushing for innovative low/zero emission assets



## **MEWPS - long standing battery technology**







## What about the Internal Combustion Engine?



Estimated 2 billion internal combustion engines in use globally

#### The ICE is not dead -

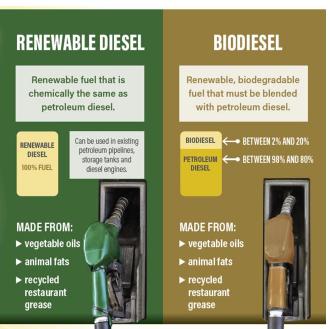
Scania is in no doubt about the ICE's continuing importance. According to Henrik Dahlsson, the new range of V8 engines can achieve fuel savings of up to six percent. The building of a new foundry shows the Swedish truck maker's commitment to further develop the performance of the ICE and its energy efficiency

Renewable diesels can have significant savings of up to 90 percent of greenhouse gas emissions compared to regular diesel

Renewable diesel, which is a different product than 'biodiesel', is produced by using 100 percent renewable raw materials, primarily waste and residues

- Legislation is driving the use of alternative fuels (diesels)
- UK fuel levy was removed April 1st for most off road vehicles
- California sales of gas & diesel vehicles 2035
- Net zero goals for countries will only accelerate this element
- However, RD, Battery & Hydrogen need to co-exist and complement as all have pros & cons

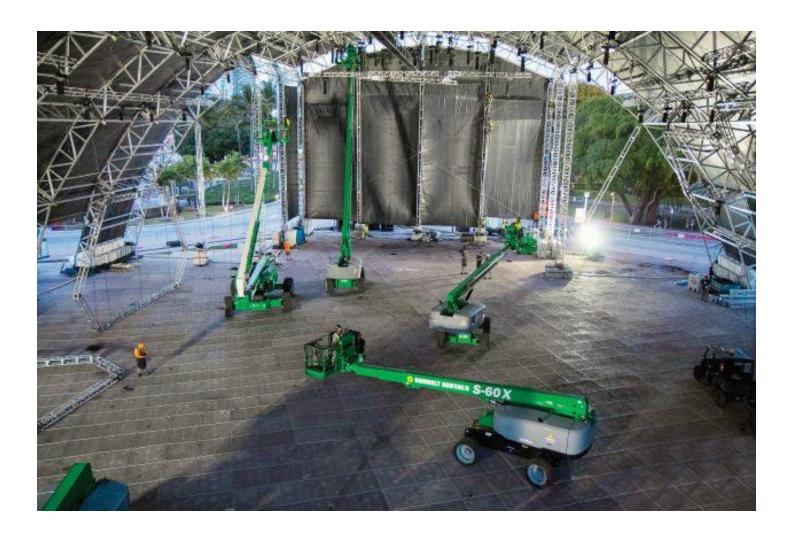




## **Manufacturers**



 What role can manufacturers play in supporting low carbon renewable fuels in assets?



### **Environmental benefits of increasing rental penetration**



#### **Embodied carbon**

So how does rental support the transition to low carbon?

As an example, let's take one of the most commonly used assets in our fleet, the JCB mini excavator.

During the production of any equipment there is a carbon impact, this is called embodied carbon... ... think about the energy and raw materials needed to produce a mini excavator.

From a study conducted by the European Rental Association we know that a mini excavator rolling off the production line has an embodied carbon value of 3,250kg.

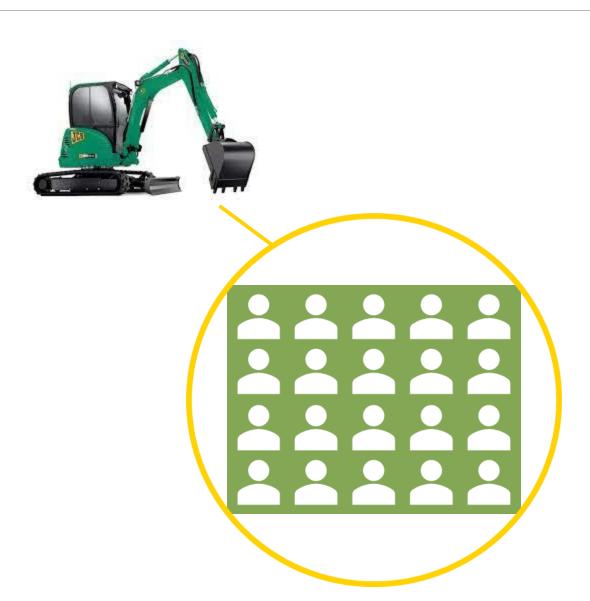


## **Environmental benefits of increasing rental penetration**



We know this asset, on average is rented to 20 unique customers per year and if, as per the ERA study suggests, that half of those 20 customers would have bought the excavator rather than rent we have a potential of

32,500kg CO<sup>2e</sup> SAVED



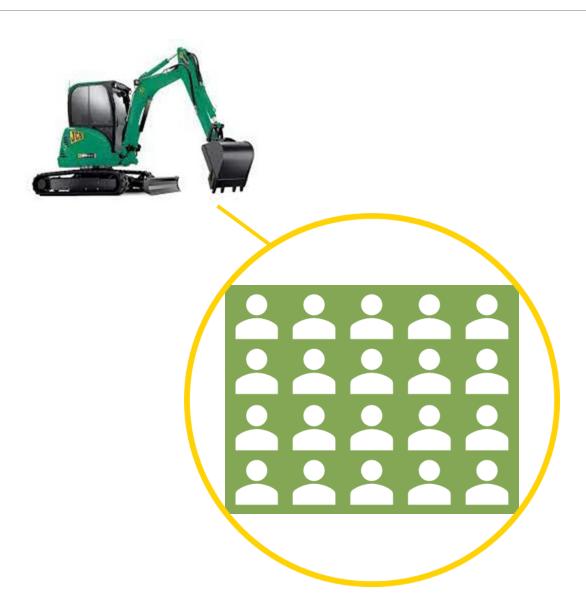
## Environmental benefits of increasing rental penetration



That's one piece of equipment...
... across our entire fleet in the UK, US and Canada
we have 11,000 excavators

Using the ERA example, this means those 11,000 assets are potentially saving 357,500 metric tons of CO2 based upon the carbon emitted during the production phase and end of life treatment

To put this into context, Our entire excavator fleet is helping offset the equivalent of 77,000 passenger vehicles being driven annually.



### In summary



- ESG needs to be part of the business making decision, it is not an outsider and can help support our industry, measuring and being transparent with the benefits we bring to society will only continue, we need to be a leader not a laggard
- We have the opportunity to promote the powered access industry as a leader in zero or low emission in use assets through the extensive use of battery technology
- The concept of the sharing economy is simple, to reduce the environmental impact of under utilised assets...... manufacture less, share more

Questions