**ARÇELİK A.Ş. RECOGNISED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP ON CLIMATE AND WATER**

Arçelik A.Ş., leading global household appliances manufacturer and mother company of Beko and Grundig, has been identified as a global leader in corporate sustainability and has been awarded a position on this year’s A List for climate and water by CDP, the non-profit global environmental disclosure platform.

CDP publishes A-D scores across climate, water and forests for over 3,000 major corporates, with the leaders celebrated on the prestigious A List along with case studies. This is the first year that CDP has announced company scores across all three areas simultaneously, reflecting a holistic approach to corporate sustainability.

Arçelik A.Ş. is one of only 25 companies to score an A for both climate and water. This achievement is in recognition of its actions in the last reporting year to manage environmental risks, cut carbon emissions and enhance water stewardship.

Commenting on the achievement, Hakan Bulgurlu, Arçelik A.Ş. CEO said: *“We’re proud to be recognized for the role Arçelik is playing in combatting the global issue of climate change. Our low-transmission approach, combined with our energy and water efficient products, as well as our innovative methods in waste management and circular economy solutions have allowed us to continue to be listed on the CDP’s Global Climate A list for the third consecutive time. We’re committed to being a leader in this area and helping create a low carbon future.”*

The 2017 A List is comprised of 156 global companies, and has been produced at the request of 827 investors with assets of over US$100 trillion. Thousands of companies submit annual environmental disclosures to CDP for independent assessment against its scoring methodology.

CDP’s Executive Chair Paul Dickinson said: *“Congratulations to all the companies that made it onto the A List this year. It’s inspiring to see so many taking bold action to mitigate environmental risks and grasp the opportunities that come with the transition to a sustainable economy. These companies are driving the transition as we approach a tipping point on environmental action”.*

The A-List and full company scores are available on CDP’s website: <https://www.cdp.net/en/scores-2017>

The scores are released on the same day as CDP’s second annual analysis in the series: [Tracking progress on corporate climate action](https://www.cdp.net/en/research/global-reports/tracking-climate-progress-2017). This year’s assessment reveals that more companies are setting increasingly ambitious and longer-term climate targets, while the transition to a low-carbon economy is also driving product innovation and the uptake of new tools for change.

**About Arçelik A.Ş.**

Arçelik A.Ş., part of a leading conglomerate Koç Holding, offers products and services in 145 countries with its 30,000 employees, 18 production facilities in 7 countries (Turkey, Romania,

Russia, China, South Africa, Thailand and Pakistan), its 34 sales and marketing offices in 32 countries and its 11 brands including Arçelik, Beko, Grundig, Blomberg, ElektraBregenz, Arctic, Leisure, Flavel, Defy, Altus and Dawlance. As the third largest home appliances company in Europe, the consolidated turnover of Arçelik A.Ş. was totalled at TRY 16.1 billion in 2016. Generating 60% of its income from global markets Arçelik A.Ş. owns 14 R&D centers, employing over 1,300 employees. Arçelik is listed in ISE (Borsa Istanbul) since 1986.

**About CDP**

CDP is an international non-profit that drives companies and governments to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, safeguard water resources and protect forests. Voted [number one](https://www.cdp.net/en/articles/media/press-release-investors-rank-cdp-number-one-in-climate-change-research-for-second-year-running) climate research provider by investors and working with institutional investors with assets of US$100 trillion, we leverage investor and buyer power to motivate companies to disclose and manage their environmental impacts. Over 6,300 companies with some 55% of global market capitalization disclosed environmental data through CDP in 2017. This is in addition to the over 500 cities and 100 states and regions who disclosed, making CDP’s platform one of the richest sources of information globally on how companies and governments are driving environmental change. CDP, formerly Carbon Disclosure Project, is a founding member of the We Mean Business Coalition. Please visit [www.cdp.net](http://www.cdp.net/) or follow us @CDP to find out more.

**About Sabanci University Corporate Governance Forum**

Sabanci University is one of the most prestigious privately funded research universities in Turkey and it ranks at the top in research impact and academic freedom. Sabanci University Corporate Governance Forum (SU CGFT) is the partner organization of CDP in Turkey. Forum’s work is focused on corporate policies and governance around issues that can impact economic development and social welfare. Its mission is to contribute to the improvement of corporate governance framework and practices through scientific research, supporting the policy development process by active engagement with businesses to encourage and facilitate the dialogue between academicians and practitioners. SU CGFT continues its work as an interdisciplinary academic initiative that carries out programs on the improvement of the economic and social effects of companies. SU CGFT is responsible for the Turkish operations of CDP, the world's most prestigious environmental project, since 2009.

**Note to editors**
The methodology and criteria for the A List are available on [CDP’s website.](https://www.cdp.net/en/guidance/guidance-for-companies#983f54421cac095b304bb72361ae1e38)