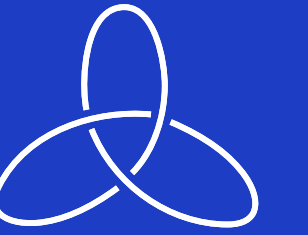


EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2025 | SUSTAINABILITY REPORT



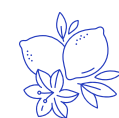
S.A. VERACRUZ
More than lemons





Cristina Requejo de Seleme

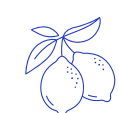
S.A. Veracruz President



We submit this 2025 Sustainability Report to share this year's progress.

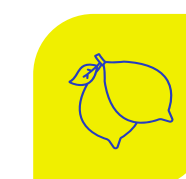
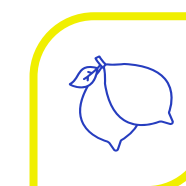
We are a family-owned company guided by integrity, respect, and a close relationship with those who choose us day after day. These

values translate into a genuine team spirit and a commitment to creating real value for our clients.



The conviction to be the leading citrus company in the Southern Hemisphere, dedicated to sustainability and regional development **enables us to expand into new markets while maintaining strong ties to the communities where we operate.**

I would like to thank our entire team, as well as our clients, suppliers, and strategic partners. **This year's achievements are the result of a collective effort and a shared vision for the future.**



FROM THE FARM TO THE WORLD

S.A. Veracruz is a family-owned company founded in 1994 in the province of Tucumán, Argentina. We are committed to growing, processing, and exporting lemons and lemon-derived products. We control the entire process—from cultivation on company-owned farms to shipment to customers both domestically and internationally.

OUR JOURNEY

- **1994** Began Operations.
- **2003** Plant Inauguration.
- **2004** Export of fresh fruit to the international market.
- **2019** Entry to the industrial business.

NUMBERS DEFINE US

+30 years of experience

2 Plants

Lules (Packing) and
Leales (Industry)

900 ha of self owned cultivated land

12 certifications obtained

**32 t/h fruit dumping and
15 t/h packing in Lules**

20 t/h processing in Leales

80,000 t/year processing capacity

435 employees



More than 30 years of working in the same territory have given us something that cannot be improvised:

**knowledge of the soil,
the climate, and the craft.**

OUR 100% LOCAL PRODUCTION

We operate on our own citrus orchards, spread across various production areas in Tukumán: Lules, Leales, Santa Ana, El Naranjito, La Ramada, Taco Palta, and Maldonado.



In **Lules**, we operate our packing plant, which is equipped with state-of-the-art technology.



At our industrial facility in **Leales**, we employ cutting-edge technology and rigorous quality controls to process lemons, transforming them into various products for the beverage, food, cosmetic, and pharmaceutical industries worldwide.

Every component of the lemon has a purpose. We work without wasting anything, ensuring traceability at every stage and adhering to the highest quality standards.

FRESH FRUIT

Varieties:

Lisboa, Eureka, Santa Teresa, Génova, Limoneira.

Brands:



INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS

Lemon essential oil.

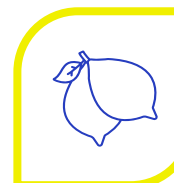
Concentrated lemon juice.

Lemon essence and aqueous lemon phase.

Distilled lemon oil.

NFC (not-frozen-concentrate) lemon juice.

Dehydrated lemon peel.



The whole lemon. No waste.

We have added dehydrated lemon peel to our product portfolio as an in-house manufactured item—a milestone in our Zero Waste culture.

“Lemon peel has become our newest product. With the drying facility we launched in 2025, we’ve closed the loop: we now utilize the entire fruit, adding industrial value where there was previously only a cost. It’s a concrete step toward a circular economy—and proof that innovation can also emerge from simply looking at what we already have in a different way.”

Jorge Seleme, Industry Director, S.A. Veracruz.



CERTIFIED QUALITY

APPROACH												
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS						GOOD AGRICULTURAL AND SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES					RELIGIOUS CERTIFICATIONS	
CERTIFICATIONS												
SCOPE	 Corporate Sustainability	 Industry	 Industry	 Industry	 Corporate Sustainability	 Packing  Farm	 Farm	 Packing	 Industry  Farm  Packing	 Corporate Sustainability	 Industry	 Industry

GLOBAL PRESENCE

WE PARTICIPATED IN VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIRS

2025 FRESH FRUIT

Fruit Logistica - Berlin, Germany

Fruit Attraction - Madrid, Spain



2025 INDUSTRY:

AFFI - Dallas, United States

US Apple - Chicago, United States

ICBC - Clearwater, United States

ANUGA - Cologne, Germany

MATERIAL TOPICS ALIGNED WITH THE 2030 AGENDA

We define our **12 material topics** together with the Board of Directors and our stakeholders, adding **Sustainable and Regenerative Agriculture** this year.

Using the SDG Compass methodology, we align them with the 2030 Agenda, incorporating **SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)** in line with our commitment to local communities.

Since 2021, we have adhered to the **10 Principles of the UN Global Compact in Argentina**, and in 2025, we participated for the second time in its Human Rights Due Diligence Workshop, alongside other citrus companies from Tucumán.

Growing with people

Working conditions, health and safety

Equal opportunities

Human rights in the value chain

Local communities

Environmental management and climate action

Water resources

Climate change

Biodiversity and ecosystems

Sustainable and regenerative agriculture

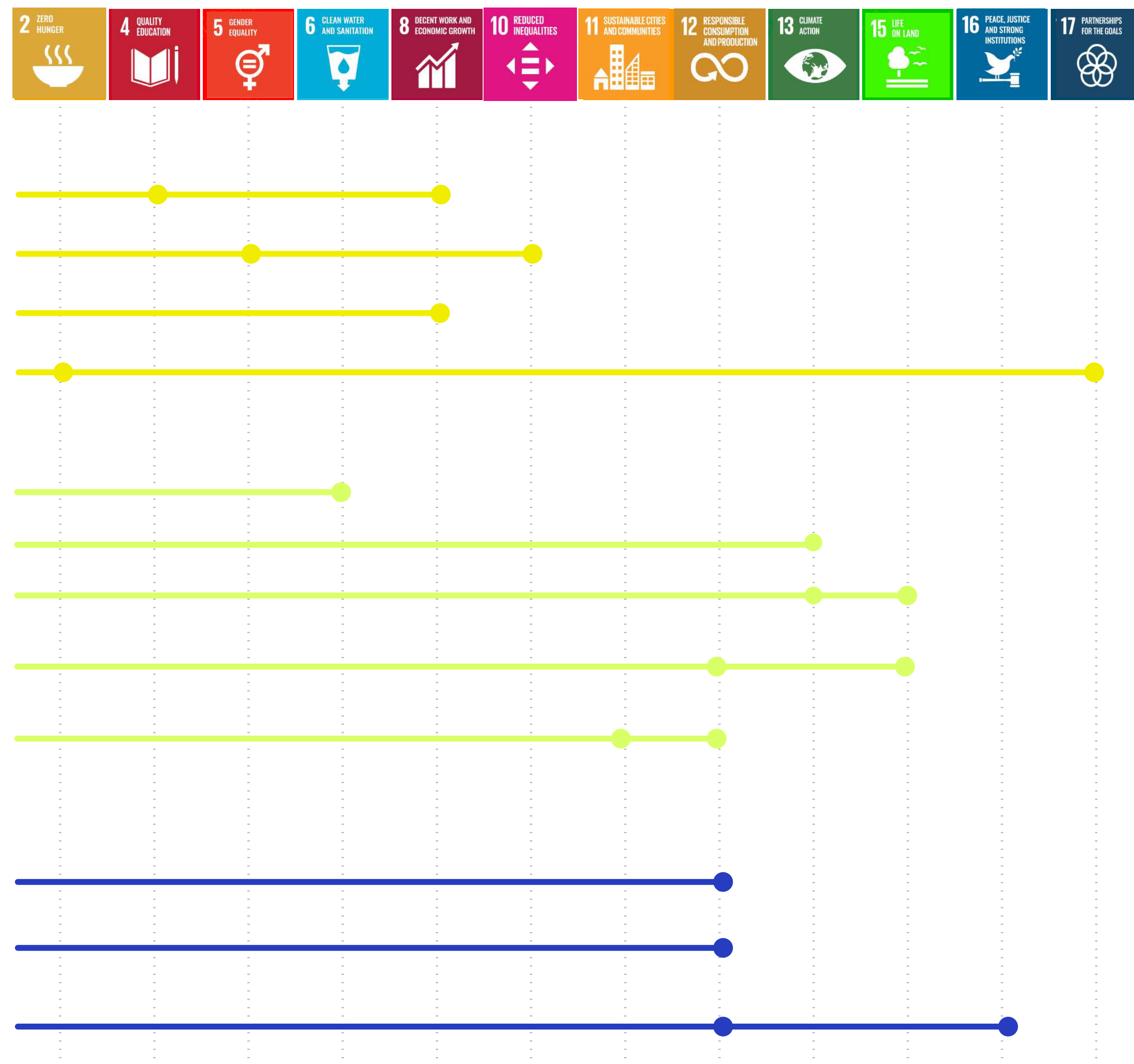
Resource use and circular economy

Governance and responsible value chain

Business conduct

Traceability in sourcing

Safety, quality, and customer experience



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

GROWING WITH PEOPLE

LABOR CONDITIONS, HEALTH AND SAFETY

**WE ARE 435
EMPLOYEES**

Our Health and Safety management system covers 100% of our employees.
In 2025, we met 100% of the training schedule in this area.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND VALUE CHAIN

**2nd ed.: Workshop on
Human Rights Due Diligence**

Together with the **UN Global Compact in Argentina**, we are enhancing the tools used to identify and mitigate human rights risks throughout the supply chain.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

62% of the ownership, operation, and control of S.A. Veracruz are in the hands of women.

We obtained the **Women Owned** certification through **WEConnect International**.
Our Board of Directors is 62% female—well above the average for the Argentine agricultural sector.

LOCAL COMMUNITIES

2 NEW PARTNERS

Sustainable Seal: from the Tucumán Food Bank (in collaboration with Nat4Bio) — reaching 440 people per day. **Smart Sentinel Hives:** 60 beehives, developed in partnership with CONICET, INTA, and the La Candelaria Agrotechnical Institute.



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE ACTION

WATER RESOURCES

WE ARE ZERO EFFLUENT

We have a **new effluent treatment plant**: we prevent the discharge of liquids into the environment and reuse the water.

-29% reduction in water footprint per ton of our own harvested lemons.

CLIMATE CHANGE

MORE COMPREHENSIVE MEASUREMENT

In 2025 **we expanded our methodology** to encompass the entire scope of our operations, as well as additional stages of the value chain—such as distribution and the end-of-life phase for the products we sell.

BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEMS

ACONQUIJA PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (APL)

We are part of the Aconquija Protected Landscape (APL), working alongside **ProYungas** and **CONICET** to conserve biological corridors and key habitats in the foothills of Tucumán.

SUSTAINABLE AND REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE

2025 ARGENTINA ORGÁNICA AWARD

We were **recognized** at the 5th National Organic Production Meeting organized by the **National Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries**.

We maintain our **Farm Sustainability Assessment** certification and added six of our own farms, as well as the Lules packing facility, to our organic certification granted by the **International Agricultural Organization**.



USE OF RESOURCES AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY

NEW DRYING FACILITY, NEW PRODUCT

We have launched a **drying facility** that transforms wet peel into dehydrated peel.

This and other circular economy projects have enabled us to **recover value from 99% of what we generate and reduce our total waste by 64% over the last two years**.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

GOVERNANCE AND RESPONSIBLE VALUE CHAIN



BUSINESS CONDUCT

100%

of our **Board of Directors** is trained in **anti-corruption policies**, with **zero tolerance for fraud and bribery**.

SAFETY, QUALITY AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

ZERO DEFECTS. ZERO WASTE. ZERO INCIDENTS.

100% of our products—including whole fruit, juices, essential oils, and dehydrated lemon peel—**undergo comprehensive evaluation** from their point of origin to final delivery, and are certified for food safety.

SUPPLY TRACEABILITY

100%

of our **network of suppliers is evaluated** based on logistics efficiency, contractual compliance, and product excellence. **64% of our purchases are in Tucumán**, and the entire supply chain—from the farm to the customer—is traceable under **BRCGS certification**.

SUPPLY TRACEABILITY

A → AA

Our Leales plant upgraded its BRCGS rating to AA in 2025—the **highest distinction under this quality and safety standard**.

OUR 2026 CHALLENGES

SOCIAL

- ⊗ Launch **VeraSaludable**, our new physical and mental health program.
- ⊗ Establish **internal mentorships for women** as well as **internships for individuals with disabilities**.
- ⊗ Incorporate **social and human rights criteria into the evaluation of suppliers and contractors**, moving toward a formal human rights due diligence process.
- ⊗ Continue expanding **Colmenas Centinelas, Mujeres en Acción**, and an educational program in Lules and Leales.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- ⊗ Expand the use of **flow meters**—installed in 2025—and consolidate the operation of the **new effluent treatment plant**.
- ⊗ Formally join the **Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)** and adopt **reduction targets** consistent with the 1.5°C scenario of the Paris Agreement.
- ⊗ Update the **biodiversity** assessment and incorporate **new workshops** focused on the **Aconquija Protected Landscape**.
- ⊗ **Optimize industrial processes and increase the recovery and repurposing of by-products**.

GOVERNANCE

- ⊗ Continuously review and optimize our industrial processes through **technological and operational improvements**.
- ⊗ Develop a **Traceability Index for critical suppliers**, in collaboration with the Quality department.
- ⊗ Maintain our **BRCGS AA rating** during the upcoming unannounced audit.



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