

# Sustainability at the Annual Meeting 2020

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The Forum brings together stakeholders to help address the greatest ecological crisis of our time at the Annual Meeting in Davos. On key topics like climate, mobility, energy and the circular economy, our platforms aim to facilitate **action-oriented communities** of stakeholders from all parts of the international system.

We recognize that in offering these platforms, we consume finite resources and cause emissions. We take the utmost care to mitigate our environmental impact, and were awarded the **ISO 20121** certification for sustainable event management.

## A climate-neutral event

**100%**  
**Emissions offset**

The Forum aims to reduce the CO2 emissions of all its activities. And since 2017, all emissions are calculated and offset 100% by supporting environmental projects in Switzerland and abroad.

## Circularity

**25%**  
**Less waste**

The Forum's aim is to eliminate materials that can't be reused. This year's Annual Meeting will reduce the amount of waste by 25% compared to 2019 by integrating innovative decor concepts, repurposing more of the event material, and removing single-use plastics for beverages.

## On the menu

**90%**  
**Seasonal food**

Fresh, regional and plant-based produce are key ingredients on the menu, with seasonal produce accounting for almost 90% of the food served. Wednesday lunch is dedicated to future food and the discovery of alternative protein sources. Artificial intelligence is being trialled to monitor food waste.

## More sustainable transport

**88%**  
**Electric or hybrid cars**

The Forum promotes sustainable transport. Discounted train tickets are offered to participants, and a temporary railway station was added near the Congress Centre. Walking is encouraged, with shoe grips and a walking map provided to all participants. Free shuttles and public buses provide a swift means of getting around. Of the cars used by the Forum to transport public figures, almost 90% are electric or hybrid.

## Energy leadership

**100%**  
**Renewable electricity**

The Forum makes a concerted effort to limit energy consumption. It uses 100% renewable electricity, and best-in-class insulation and heating systems in its temporary event spaces. The Forum has helped improve the sustainability of the Congress Centre with the installation of solar panels and geothermal heating.

## CONTACT US

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