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Mission

We unleash the potential of private initiative to foster sustainable development and shared prosperity in developing and emerging economies.

What we do

- We strengthen the competencies of people by promoting employment and generating income opportunities.
- We increase the competitiveness of enterprises to enable growth in their business.
- We foster inclusive social and economic systems by developing sustainable, resilient and scalable innovations.



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There is a need for visionary and flexible partnerships, which continue to focus on their objectives despite all the political upheaval and other challenges.

Philippe Schneuwly
CEO

Results and Impact 2023

Swisscontact applies systematic impact assessment. Uniform and comparable monitoring and measurement of results in various projects are part and parcel of our project management and quality assurance.

These global 2023 results are derived from Swisscontact's impact measurement system. All figures are traceable.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

102 367

people, 52.1 % of whom are women, have completed programmes in skills development, entrepreneurship, and labour market insertion. Out of all the people, 54.1 % belonged to particularly marginalised groups.

33 219

people, 50.6% of whom are women, found a job or started their own business. Out of all people, 61 % belonged to particularly marginalised groups. An additional income of 30.5 million CHF was generated in total.



BUSINESS PROMOTION

1 568 672

farmers and SMEs gained access to improved products and services. Out of those, 37.2 % were led by women, 16.4 % belonged to particularly marginalised groups.

CHF 112.1 M

in additional income generated by 773 417 farmers and SMEs. Out of those, 20.1 % belonged to particularly marginalised groups.

66 275

jobs created or saved.





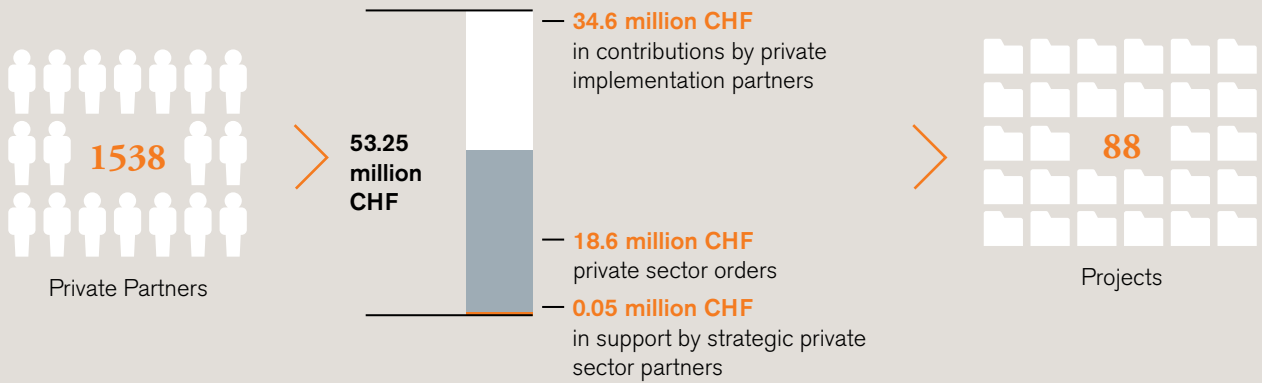
The Private Sector as Partner

For over 60 years, Swisscontact has been working with the private sector to foster sustainable development, incomes, and jobs in developing countries and emerging markets. We believe this collaboration enhances the impact and sustainability of our interventions. Together, we can achieve more.

An example is our partnership with the Hilti Foundation in Kenya. Over the past two years, the PropelA Project has developed a dual, apprenticeship-based education model for trade professions. It was developed in collaboration with leading local businesses and vocational schools, and has become a showcase model for all East Africa.

The purpose of the project is to equip the new generation with the professional skills needed in the construction sector, to enable them to find gainful employment.

Private partners and their contributions in 88 projects 2023



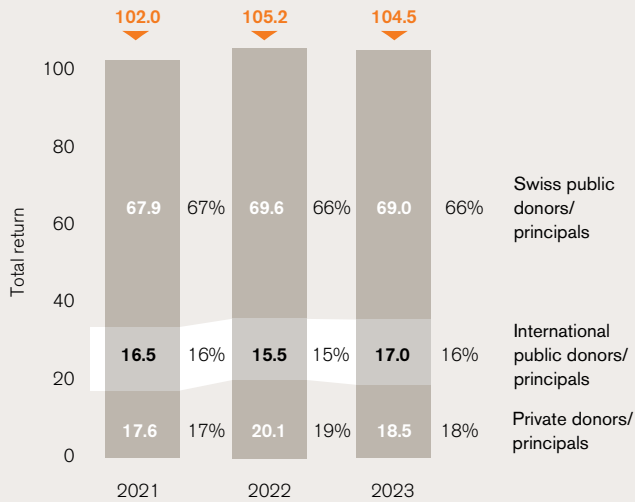
Private implementing partners and their contributions 2023



Financial Statement 2023

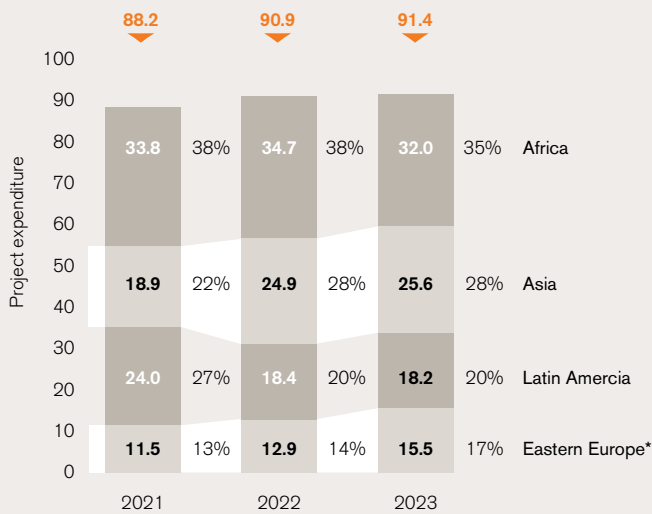
SOURCE OF FUNDS

Return in million CHF



EXPENDITURE

Project expenditure per region in million CHF



* including Switzerland (SEC, DC dVET, expenditure in Switzerland for global programmes, small projects managed from Switzerland)

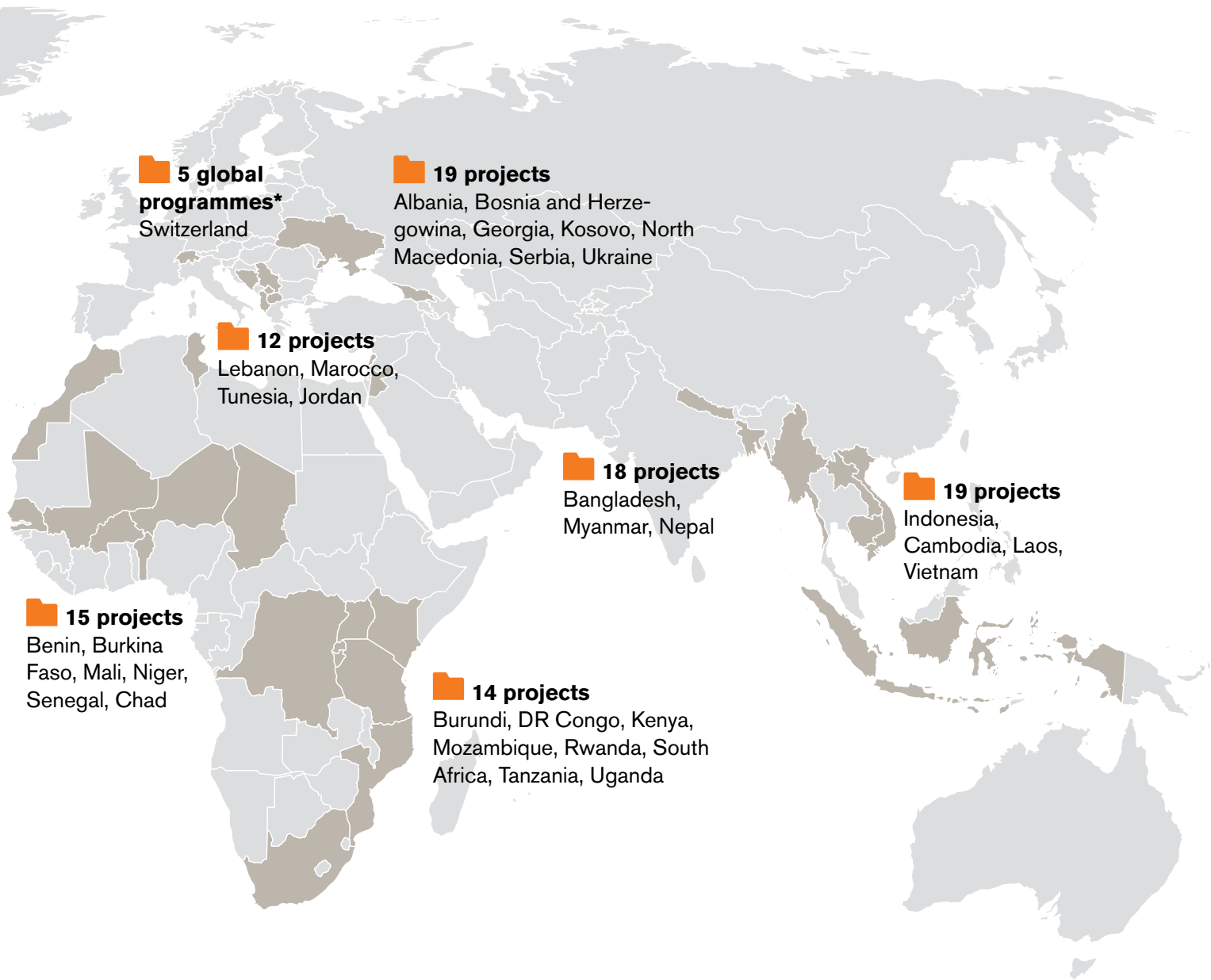
EXPENSE CATEGORIES

in relation to total expenses (in %)



Financial Report 2023 (in German)
www.swisscontact.org/finanzbericht2023

Global presence: 139 projects in 41 countries



* Global programmes managed from Switzerland



“In times of crisis, foresight is key”

Thomas D. Meyer, President of the Foundation Council, and Philippe Schneuwly, CEO, explain how global conflicts and challenges such as climate change affect our work, and how despite this, our projects continue to be implemented successfully thanks to their ability to adapt to unusual situations.

Another year of unrest and conflict in various regions around the world is now behind us. What does this volatility mean for local populations?

Philippe Schneuwly: This level of unrest and volatility destroys many people's livelihoods. Emergency humanitarian aid must be made available. As an organisation dedicated to development, we recognise that foresight is key to preventing long-term dependencies. At the end of the day, it's about the dignity of local populations. They want to be self-sufficient, and we strive to afford them this opportunity. For this reason, we are committed to strengthening abilities and systems, even in fragile contexts, so that people can – as far as possible – be liberated from the shackles of poverty. This requires medium- to long-term strategies, and while the risk of such interventions failing is higher than in stable contexts, we cannot deny support.

How has the constant upheaval affected Swisscontact's development cooperation?

Thomas D. Meyer: Fragile contexts marked by armed conflicts, increasingly frequent natural disasters and widespread poverty pose complex development policy challenges. Viewed from the outside, the impression is often that it is no longer possible to implement international development cooperation in such contexts. This is, however, not the case if the projects are adapted to the new circumstances, as ours are. It is precisely in politically unstable countries such as Myanmar and Niger, where we are creating a new hope for the civilian population and the private sector. In Ukraine, international development cooperation embodies the international community's desire to provide reconstruction assistance.

What is needed in these countries for Swisscontact to continue implementing the projects?

Schneuwly: First of all, there is a need for visionary and flexible partnerships that – despite all the political and other challenges – continue to focus on their objectives. We try to make sure that our work has deep roots at the local level. For decades, we have placed local stakeholders front and centre in all the countries we work in, regardless of how difficult the circumstances are. This is the key to the success of our interventions. Geographical, cultural, and social proximity helps us to understand the actual needs of the communities involved and to work side-by-side with them. This requires flexibility and understanding of the special circumstances, including on the part of our donor partners. This allows us to continuously adapt projects to the changing realities on the ground.

How, for example, does this play out in Ukraine?

Meyer: There is no question that Ukraine should be supported both during and after the war, and that Switzerland has to do its share. From our perspective, Switzerland should not only be providing financial aid. Our country and the private sector are capable of offering much more by sharing our expertise in successful economic development with Ukraine. Therefore, we must advocate for those elements that constitute the Swiss model of success – areas where Switzerland has established credibility. This is the case for example in vocational education led by the private sector. In our project in Ukraine, we are strengthening this element by training tradespeople, while leveraging the active support of Swiss companies Geberit and Sika.

Climate change often contributes to the outbreak of conflicts and is an immense challenge to countries of the global south. Which aspects of our work have been the most successful up to now?

Schneuwly: The climate crisis demonstrably impacts the world's most vulnerable population segments. Many countries where we work – for example in the Sahel, Central America and South Asia – are especially vulnerable. Consequently, we are continuously adapting our tools and approaches to strengthen resilience at the local level. Examples include converting to agroecological practices that foster climate-resistant agriculture and promoting so-called “green skills”, i.e. skills that help people and businesses adapt to climate challenges and take advantage of the opportunities these challenges may present.

What staff changes took place in the Foundation Council in 2023?

Meyer: After serving 12 years, Christoph Lindenmeyer reached the maximum service period in the Foundation Council and stepped down in May 2023. He was a highly valuable committee member for many years. We are pleased to have found an exceptionally qualified successor in Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch. For reasons related to age, Leopold Wyss, a longstanding member of the Foundation Council Finance Committee, and Fritz Gutbrodt, stepped down. Newly appointed to the Foundation Council were Peggy Grüninger (Hoffmann-La Roche), Isabel Dalli-Wyniger (Novartis), and Christoph G. Meier (Nestlé); all three individuals represent longstanding Swisscontact partners.

Thomas D. Meyer
Chairman

Philippe Schneuwly
CEO

Highlights 2023

A glimpse into some of our focus areas for 2023



Rwanda: Vocational Training as a Cornerstone of Fair Income Distribution

The governments of Rwanda, Burundi, and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) have announced their most important national priorities. The development of a high-quality vocational education system geared toward the demands of potential employers is crucial to developing a healthy economy and fair income distribution.

PROMOST (Promoting Market-Oriented Skills Training and Employment Creation in the Great Lakes Region), a programme financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), originally started in Rwanda and subsequently expanded to Burundi and the east of the DRC. It builds on our many years' experience in vocational education, and targets growing numbers of young people in this region with the purpose of improving prospects for employment and income generation amongst the rural population.

In Rwanda, PROMOST – financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC – finished up successfully after 12 years. 19 037 disadvantaged people (40% of whom are women) obtained an education or further training. 8832 graduates found a job or started their own business, reflecting an average employment rate of 51%. We are especially proud of the fact that the Rwandan government now intends to adopt the dual, apprenticeship-based education system introduced by Swisscontact.





Together for Sustainable Development

To achieve sustainable development and prosperity in developing countries and emerging economies, Swisscontact leverages the strengths of the private sector. Long-term partnerships with both global and local businesses allow us to implement market-oriented initiatives on the local level. These partnerships are also pivotal for the realisation of the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Swisscontact has always cultivated partnerships with companies and investors in order to tackle the challenges that private sector companies face. These include ensuring stability in value chains, investing in the local private sector, and training skilled labour.

In 2023, Swisscontact further strengthened its collaboration with the private sector, for example in the coffee sector, we have implemented the Stronger Coffee Initiative with global trading firm Louis Dreyfus Company (LDC). The objectives are to improve the livelihoods of coffee farmers in eight countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America; increase the production of certified low-CO₂-emission coffee; and establish sustainable farming practices.

It is only together that we can foster economic development sustainably.



Latin America: A Circular Economy with Swiss Expertise

In 2023, Swisscontact launched a project that revolutionises waste management in Santa Cruz de la Sierra in Bolivia, and Cali in Colombia. It emulates the "circular economy" model, the purpose of which is to consume fewer raw materials and thus produce less waste. The project is financed by the City of Zurich, which is providing qualified technicians and expertise in project implementation.

The cities of Cali and Santa Cruz de la Sierra face immense waste management challenges. Cali generates 1300 tonnes of waste daily, while Santa Cruz generates 500 tonnes, of which respectively 10 and 7 percent are recycled. The remainder ends up in overfilled landfills, causing considerable risks to health and the environment.

An improved circular economy in both cities will help to overcome these challenges. By applying circular concepts, we foster sustainable production and consumption models that reduce overall waste and increase recycling rates. Furthermore, the project is creating new jobs while promoting resource efficiency and sustainability.





Ukraine

A Solid Foundation: Promoting Vocational Education in the Ukrainian Construction Sector

Since March 2020, Swisscontact has been supporting the construction sector in Ukraine, in order to train qualified technicians. EdUP (Public-Private Partnership to Improved Professional Education in Ukraine) is designed to align the private-sector led vocational education system to the needs of the labour market, upgrading the training of tradespeople in the construction industry to meet EU standards.

Building Capacities for a Dual, Apprenticeship-Based Technical Education System

The EdUP Programme was developed under the leadership of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) in partnership with Geberit Trading LLC and Sika Ukraine LLC. Swisscontact is implementing the project with the support of the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science. The dual, apprenticeship-based vocational education system is being fostered in close collaboration with the private sector, through capacity building, the provision of timely teaching curricula and methods, investment in teaching tools and schools, and the creation of support systems and a business platform. Consequently, Ukrainian vocational training institutions will be able to develop their own sustainable programmes.

More about this project in the online Annual Report:



www.swisscontact.org/report2023/ukraine

- 2444 newly enrolled trainees in the sanitary sector
- Improved training of over 3400 sanitation installers
- Continuing education courses and development of 19 business plans for vocational schools

- Trainee competitions with over 280 participants from 22 vocational schools
- New e-learning teaching materials in vocational schools
- Provision of free video tutorials and technical support from companies

Niger

An entrepreneurial Vision for Niger's Digital Future



Niger ranks among the world's poorest countries. Despite the Sahel region's interior harbouring valuable raw materials, the majority of the country's gross domestic product is earned in agriculture and the informal sector. Approximately 80 percent of the population survives on subsistence agriculture, and nearly half of Nigeriens live in extreme poverty. The goal of Swisscontact's local entrepreneurship promotion programme (PROMEL) is to improve collaboration with institutional partners and the private sector, improving access to markets for businesses, and creating income opportunities for women and young people through educational qualifications.

Improving Livelihoods Means Preventing Conflicts

Wherever conflicts occur, trade routes are cut off, value chains are interrupted, and service networks are damaged. PROMEL (Programme de promotion de l'entreprenariat local) – financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) – specifically promotes agricultural value chain development (dairy, potatoes, vegetables, and groundnuts) to create gainful employment and income for young people, helping to alleviate nutritional and food insecurity. By strengthening these economic activities and with the help of digital solutions, the programme is helping to prevent and mitigate conflicts.

More about this project in the online Annual Report:

- Partnerships with 35 private companies, who, since January 2021, have offered services and funds totalling over 500 000 USD to the programme
- Easier access to the employment market for 4637 women and young people
- Assistance in starting up agroprocessing businesses provided to 602 people, 98% of whom are women
- Over 70% of agricultural businesses achieved revenue growth of over 10%



www.swisscontact.org/report2023/niger

A sustainability strategy with a solid foundation

With our sustainability strategy, Swisscontact is starting 2024 in a strong position to deliver even more for donors, partners and beneficiaries. We have identified new opportunities that will increase our impact, and we have implemented additional measures to manage risks.

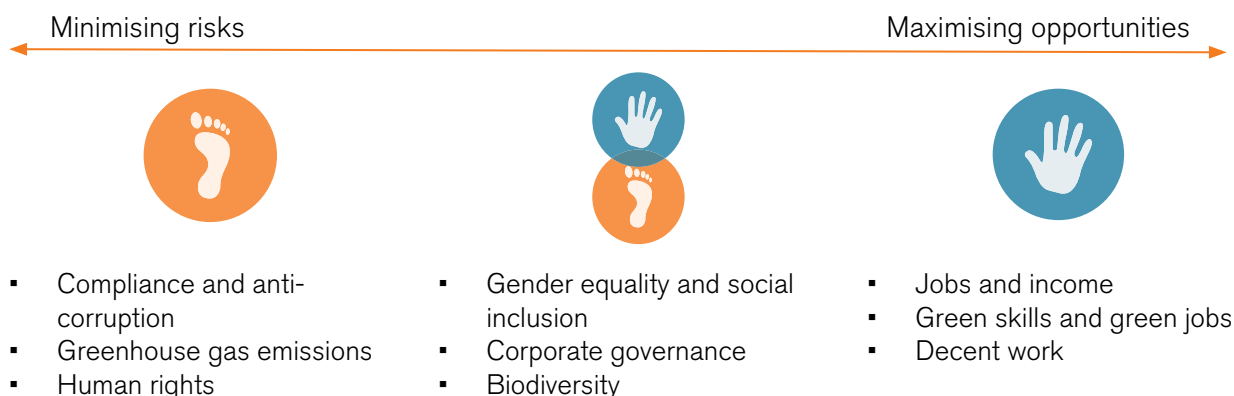
In 2023, we gave a lot of thought not only to what work we do, but also to how we do it. We want to be sure that we take every opportunity to add value. We are also conscious of our duty to avoid unintentional harm. To develop our sustainability strategy, we systematically analysed our impacts, both positive and negative, on people and the planet.

We undertook a thorough process to identify the environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues that are most relevant for us. We interviewed internal and external stakeholders and combined the findings with the results of a survey. In December, the Foundation Board approved a list of the nine most significant issues, which we call our material topics. To plan our response to each topic, we grouped them using the idea of a handprint and a footprint.

For each material topic, we have set specific targets at institutional or project level or both. These targets challenge us to do more and to do it better. To give just one example, we will place greater emphasis on the qualitative aspects of the jobs we help create. In practical terms, this means that our projects will increasingly promote green jobs and improved working conditions.

With the need to achieve our targets in mind, implementation of the strategy has already started. We commit to reporting annually on our progress with reference to the GRI standards and will share the first results in next year's Annual Report.

Our material topics



The handprint is a way to describe an organization's positive impacts on the environment, society and governance. Swisscontact will increase its handprint by taking opportunities. In contrast, the concept of a footprint is often used for negative impacts (e.g. CO₂ emissions > carbon footprint). We will reduce our footprint by continuing to manage risks well.

Sustainability criteria

Each of the nine material topics belongs to one of three sustainability criteria. We address these themes at all levels of the organization. In particular, we carefully consider all aspects of the sustainability criteria when designing and managing projects. This ensures that our projects have long-lasting results that benefit as many people as possible.

Gender Equality and Social Inclusion

We promote gender equality, striving for the social inclusion of all people, with a particular focus on youth and marginalised groups. We are committed to a human rights approach that embraces empowerment, equality, non-discrimination, and accountability.



Environmental Responsibility

We use the planet's resources carefully, always considering the environment. We are committed to achieving net zero in our decisions and actively explore ways to reduce our organisation's footprint. We enhance the resilience of individuals and communities to deal with climate change, developing and promoting solutions for the efficient and sustainable use of resources.

Good Governance

We practice and promote the principles of good governance. We commit to decision-making that follows the rule of law, is participatory and consensus-oriented, accountable, transparent, responsive, effective and efficient, equitable and inclusive. And we are committed to high standards in combatting corruption.



Organisation

(as per 31.12.2023)

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Isabelle Welton
Vice chair



Thomas Bergen



Dr. Sabin Bieri



Monique Bourquin



Dr. Paul Hälgi



Marie-Gabrielle
Ineichen-Fleisch



Armin Meier

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Freelance Consultant with longtime corporate management experience

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Former Special Ambassador for International Migration, Berne

Amb. Thomas Greminger

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Prof. Dr. Fritz Gutbrodt (until 16.5.2023)

Managing Director Chairman's Office, Swiss Re Management Ltd, Zurich (until 31.3.2023); Adjunct Professor University of Zurich; Member of the Foundation Board of Careum; Member of the Board of Directors of Careum School of Health; Careum Educational Centre

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Dr. Christoph Lindenmeyer (Member of the Foundation Board until 16.5.2023)

CEO and Vice-Chairman AO Foundation, Davos; Chairman / Member of various Boards of Directors

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Christoph Meier

Global Head Corporate Media Relations Nestlé

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Partner, BLR Partners AG, Zurich; Chairman, CelsiusPro AG, Zurich; Member of the Board Osterwalder AG, Lyss and AG für die Neue Zürcher Zeitung (NZZ); Member of the Supervisory Board Apleona GmbH, Neu Isenburg (DE); Member of the Board Noser Management AG (Noser Group), Zurich; Member of the Board BLR Capital AG, Zurich

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Prof. Dr. Ursula Renold

Chair of Education Systems, D-MTEC, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Zurich

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Global Head of Public Policy and Regulatory Foresight Credit Suisse, Zurich (until 31.12.2023); Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, EFG International, Zurich (as of 1.1.2024)

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In alphabetical order

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PlanBørnefonden
Swedish International Development Cooperation
Agency
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The World Bank
UNHCR The UN Refugee Agency
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Asia and the Pacific UNESCAP
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UNIDO
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USAID

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Canton of Basel-Stadt
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Canton of Schaffhausen
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City of Dübendorf
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City of Illnau-Effretikon
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City of Zürich
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of Aargau
Municipality of Küsnacht
Municipality of Maur
Municipality of Meilen
Municipality of Rüschlikon
Municipality of Uitikon
Municipality of Zollikon
Reformed Church Wallisellen
Reformed Church Küsnacht
République et Canton de Genève
Standeskanzlei Graubünden
Ville de Lancy

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Argidius Foundation, Zug
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Brot für die Welt (Bread for the World) Germany
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Chevron, San Ramon/Dhaka, USA, Bangladesh
 Cowater International Inc., Ottawa, Canada
 Dariu Foundation
 Däster-Schild Stiftung, Bern
 Dr. Guido und Frederika Turin Stiftung, Zurich
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 Evi Diethelm-Winteler-Stiftung, Zurich
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 H+Bildung, Aarau
 Happel Foundation, Luzern
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 Lippuner energie- und Metallbautechnik AG, Grabs
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 Mercy Corps
 MetLife Foundation, New York, USA
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 Sasakawa Peace Foundation
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 Ursula Zindel-Hilti Foundation, Schaan, FL
 UTIL Stiftung, Zurich
 VERLINGUE AG, Zurich
 Von Duhn Stiftung, Liechtenstein
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 zCapital AG, Zug
 Zürcher Kantonalbank, Zurich

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