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myclimate Annual Report: Income at a Consistently High Level, Reorientation and High Impact

Zurich, 19 June 2024 – myclimate, the international climate protection foundation based in Zurich, published its annual report for the 2023 financial year today. Thanks to existing and new partnerships, myclimate was able to maintain turnover at almost the same level as last year's record high. The areas of Education and Consulting and Solutions continued to show strong growth.

The foundation's total income in 2023 amounted to 57.5 million Swiss francs. The record income of 59 million Swiss francs reported by myclimate in 2022 represented an increase of 30 per cent at the time. Income from donations and contributions to climate protection totalled 50.8 million Swiss francs, making this still the largest component of revenue. Education recorded double-digit growth with an annual turnover of 1.73 million Swiss francs. In 2022, as part of its own corporate climate strategy, myclimate gradually restructured its educational programme and expanded it to include tailor-made programmes for companies. The area of Consulting and Solutions, which supports companies on the path to net zero, also experienced double-digit percentage growth and, like Education, achieved record turnover, in this case of 3.12 million Swiss francs. Both developments show that local companies are taking their efforts and ambitions seriously and are clearly committed to climate protection, despite the turbulent social and economic situation.

In 2023, companies and private individuals took responsibility for more than 3.3 million tonnes of CO₂. At the same time, 2.75 million tonnes of certified carbon emissions reductions were generated from myclimate climate protection projects. Both figures represent a slight decrease compared with the previous record year of 2022. In total, the projects supported by myclimate have saved around 20 million tonnes of CO₂ since the foundation was established. In the past financial year, the areas of avoiding greenhouse gas emissions and reducing existing footprints have become increasingly important in corporate carbon climate protection. This trend is clearly reflected in the developments in myclimate's business areas of Education and Consulting and Solutions.

"We can look back on a successful financial year, despite the changed economic conditions and the shifting focus in the public debate," says Kathrin Dellantonio, Managing Director of myclimate Switzerland and member of the seven-person myclimate Management Team. "Our task remains to support companies with measures to avoid and reduce their emissions in the short, medium and long terms. At the same time, we are fully committed to taking responsibility for unabatable emissions by supporting climate protection projects that have a direct impact."

Environmental and Social Impact

In addition, myclimate continued to contribute to global sustainable development in 2023, as expressed in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Thanks to projects supported by myclimate, 10,900 permanent jobs have been created, 5 million trees have been planted by small farmers, and 85,000 biogas plants have been installed as clean-energy sources. More than 11 million people worldwide have benefited directly from myclimate's work. In 2023, the calculation principle for the foundation's own contributions was adjusted. In order to increase the transparency and integrity of its communication and to provide more conservative calculations, myclimate will only report contributions that can be clearly attributed to the foundation's commitment. For instance, in accordance with the Gold Standard's reporting suggestions, contributions to SDG 1, "Zero Hunger", were not reported separately for the previous year.

You can find the full myclimate annual report here: myclimate.org | [Annual report 2023](#)

New Management Model

myclimate introduced a new management structure in 2023. In October, the seven members of the Management Team jointly took charge of the foundation. In doing so, they took over from the then CEO, Stephen Neff, who left myclimate of his own volition. The Foundation Board of myclimate approved this innovative model.

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About myclimate

myclimate sees itself as a partner for effective climate protection, globally and locally. Together with industry partners and private individuals, myclimate wants to shape the future of the world through advisory services and educational programmes, as well as its own projects. It does so in a market-oriented and customer-focused way as a non-profit organisation.

As an international climate protection organisation with Swiss roots, myclimate offers individual industry solutions and climate strategy consulting for business clients from scientific experts. Its customers include large, medium-sized and small companies, public administrations, non-profit organisations, event organisers and private individuals. From its headquarters in Zurich and various locations in Germany and Austria, myclimate supports companies, institutions and private individuals worldwide.

Its high-quality projects promote quantifiable climate protection and greater sustainability worldwide. myclimate has developed and supported nearly 200 climate protection projects in 46 countries around the world since its foundation in 2002. These have included reducing emissions by replacing fossil fuels with renewable energies, implementing local afforestation measures with small farmers and introducing energy-efficient technologies. myclimate climate protection projects meet the highest standards (Gold Standard, Plan Vivo) and, in addition to reducing greenhouse gases, make a demonstrable, positive contribution to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) both locally and regionally.

myclimate encourages everyone to make a contribution to our future through interactive and action-oriented educational programmes, which have already reached around 74,000 schoolchildren and more than 12,800 apprentices in Switzerland, Germany and Liechtenstein. In total, more than 200,000 people have benefited from myclimate education projects.

myclimate supports the development and achievement of corporate climate goals with our consultancy and solutions tailored to the needs of organisations in the areas of climate protection and the environment. These include services for compliance with the CSRD Directive and ESG corporate reporting, product-specific carbon footprints (PCF) and life cycle assessments (LCA), company-wide carbon footprints (CCF), target definitions according to various standards, hotspot analyses and action plans, as well as support with their implementation as part of an integrated climate strategy.

Since the foundation was established, the climate protection projects that myclimate has developed and supported have created thousands of jobs, protected biodiversity and improved the general living conditions of hundreds of thousands of people. In recognition of this, the German Federal Environment Agency explicitly highlights myclimate as a provider for voluntary climate protection measures. Several projects were named "Game Changing Climate Lighthouse Activities" by the Secretariat of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and honoured personally by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon at the UN Climate Change Conferences in Paris and Doha.

myclimate is ISO 9001 certified. The foundation's financial statements are subject to standard audits by KPMG. SGS verifies the accuracy of the carbon accounting on an annual basis. The Swiss Federal Supervisory Authority for Foundations monitors myclimate's claim to non-profit status.