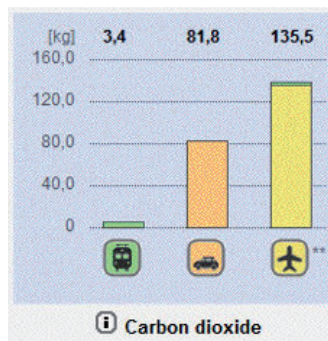


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Beispiel einer Webseite mit Informationen zum nachhaltigen Reisen

Travel information

The conference organization has set targets to make this Annual Meeting a sustainable event. At every international conference, the long distance travel is responsible for most of the carbon emissions. Participants can help reduce these emissions by following a few simple rules and considering the information below.



Arriving **by train** has by far the lowest environmental impact. Zurich lies in the heart of Central Europe, and there are numerous high-speed or over-night connections from most major cities.

Use online tools to visualize your contribution to emission reduction. This figure shows the greenhouse gas emissions (in kg CO₂ eq.) of a one-way trip from Vienna to Zurich. It compares travelling by train, by car or by air (from Ecopassenger).

- www.ecopassenger.org
- www.routerank.org



For this conference, we ask you to always take the train for travel times less than six hours. Remember that most high-speed trains offer a comfortable working environment. If you are willing to travel over night, always take the train for travel times less than 12 hours.

Look at the map for train travel times and see how fast you can reach Zurich. You can find international connections to Zurich at the SBB (Swiss Federal Railway) "Travel in Europe" website (www.sbb.ch).

If you have to arrive **by air**, please keep to the following guidelines:

- Try to combine your journey to this conference with other meetings or work in Zurich / Switzerland / Europe.
- Book direct flights and avoid unnecessary landings.
- Use public transport to get to and from the airport. For transport in Zurich, see www.zvv.ch or www.zurich-airport.com.

The conference organization would like you to compensate for some of the harmful effects of your flight on the climate by purchasing a carbon offset ticket.

Carbon offset providers initiate and support projects that directly reduce emissions. They get controlled and registered, so that one project cannot be used twice for compensation. There are various quality standards, and The Gold Standard is one of the strictest. The following providers have a very good reputation and support projects with The Gold Standard label:

- www.myclimate.ch
- www.sustainabletravelinternational.org

If you are short of money, remember that it is better to pay less but for a sustainable project!

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