





Our vision

The Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa strives to strengthen the social, environmental and economic sustainability throughout the entire cocoa value chain. By doing so, it improves the living conditions of cocoa farmers and their families, protects natural resources and creates a viable and resilient cocoa sector for present and future generations.





Who we are

The Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa is a multi-stakeholder initiative, bringing together more than 100 members from along the global cocoa value chain: chocolate manufacturers, traders, retailers, NGOs, research institutions as well as the Swiss Government, represented by the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO). Together, the members represent 94% of Switzerland's cocoa imports.

Launched in 2017, the Cocoa Platform is financed by member fees as well as by public-private partnerships. This enables the implementation of projects that drive innovation in the sector and create measurable impact, thus linking the high-quality reputation of Swiss chocolate with sustainability.

Our collaborative approach makes the Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa a model for how specific sustainability challenges in global value chains can be addressed.





What we do

The Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa aims to provide sector-wide solutions, by involving all actors along the global cocoa value chain. Together, we tackle the challenges of the sector conjointly, leveraging synergies, sharing responsibility and learning together.

Through this multi-stakeholder approach, we establish a common understanding of the sustainability challenges in the cocoa value chain, thus creating the basis to enable systemic change that addresses the root causes of these challenges throughout the sector.

We do this by sharing knowledge and experience among peers, piloting innovative solutions and leveraging investments through public-private partnerships, fostering transparency through a common monitoring framework, promoting dialogue with producing countries and coordinating activities with other international initiatives in the sector.





Our commitment

The cocoa sector faces a number of social, environmental and economic challenges:

A large proportion of cocoa farmers are affected by poverty, lack of access to financial services and adequate infrastructure, and child labour remains a prevailing issue. In addition, cocoa is often produced at the expense of the environment through deforestation and loss of biodiversity, and most cocoa-producing countries are impacted by climate change.

Together, we are committed to enhancing sustainability throughout the entire cocoa value chain, from production over processing, trade, manufacturing, and all the way to consumption.



Roadmap 2030

Our commitment is guided by the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within the framework of the 2030 Agenda. The path toward our vision is outlined in our Roadmap 2030, which includes six ambitions.

Progress was measured through a baseline report, which served as the foundation for the midline report in 2025. A final report will be published in 2030.

OUR AMBITIONS

1. LIVING INCOME



All cocoa farmers with viable farm sizes and sustainable yields earn at least a living income.

4. AGROFORESTRY



Agroforestry practices are widely adopted in cocoa production.



2. HUMAN RIGHTS

Cocoa production safeguards human rights by ensuring fair labour conditions and eliminating child and forced labour.



3. FORESTS

Cocoa production does not contribute to deforestation and actively supports the restoration of degraded forest ecosystems.



5. CLIMATE ACTION

Cocoa production aligns with achieving global climate goals through reducing emissions for both near-term (2030) and long-term (2050).



6. TRANSPARENCY

The physical flow of products containing cocoa to Switzerland relies on fully traceable and transparent supply chains.



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