Suggested Environmental Practices

The UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) estimates the need for a 45% reduction of CO₂ emissions by 2030 in order to contain the increase in the global mean temperature within 1.5 °C by 2100. This ambitious global challenge imposes radical changes to our society and private habits. We believe that public research institutions must play an exemplar leading role in the transition to a sustainable future, and contributions are needed at all levels.

Here are some practical suggestions to improve the sustainability of your daily professional activity.



IT & digital

- **Extend the lifetime** of your hardware, consider upgrading or opt for an extended warranty. The IT service can help you to do that!
- Opt for reading on screen, instead of printing
 - **Avoid large and useless attachments** in your emails (files, logos, banners...)
 - Store files, avoid multiple downloads

Check this out:

https://ecoinfo.cnrs.fr/ecodiag

Travel & Mobility

- Reduce travels, opt for video conferencing whenever possible
- **Avoid flights to France and Europe:** train must be preferred for destinations reachable within 6 hours
- Minimize the environmental impact of commuting, opt for public transports, cycling or carpooling

https://cnrs.employee.eu.people-doc.com/home



Energy & resources

- Avoid overheating or overcooling your office, dress according to the season
 - Switch off lights and computer screens when not needed
- Don't leave taps running! Report any dripping taps (to your security & prevention agent). Consider using your own hand towel
 - Print documents only when needed, preferably two-sided and B&W

GHG balance sheet (Labos 1point5)

9.5 teqCO₂/person

Purchases 76%



Heating 3%

Computing 3,5 %

Work trip 4%

round trip Paris/New-York = 2 tCO_ge



Same distance by train = 1/40 ⊁



1 laptop + 23" screen = 1/4 →

2 people, 2h video call = 1/10000 🗡

2 MB email attachment < 1/100000 🗡

1 meal/day with beef during 1 year = 1 >+

chicken = -78% vegetarian = -929



The +1.5°C objective is to limit the emission per person to 3 tCO₂e by 2030!



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Events & everyday life

- Choose an eco-friendly caterer for your events (opt for local & seasonal food, non-disposable items)
 - Use a personal cup for drinks, instead of disposable ones
 - Minimize the environmental impact of your diet (reduce meat, beef)

Re-use & recycling

- Try to give a second life to your goods (lab equipment, furniture, computers, etc.). Don't know how? Contact us!
- Recycle waste as much as possible: white paper is collected directly in your office, if placed in the appropriate cardboard basket (ask us to get one)

Specific recycle bins (metal, glass, batteries, cardboard...) are located close to building D



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