# Environmental Footprint of Swisscom's service portfolio: approaches used and results

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## **Overview on ambitions and goals**





## **Climate protection** We have two ambitious climate goals.



We are reducing our own ecological footprint - by 2025, not only our company, but all our work will be climateneutral.



Hand in hand with our customers, we want to enable a positive  $CO_2$  contribution of 1 million tonnes per year.



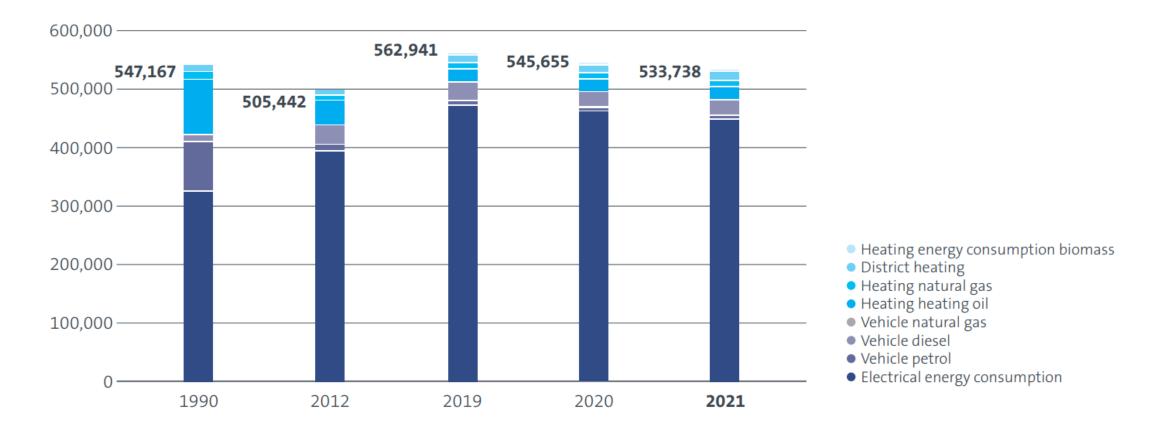
## Footprint



#### Swisscom energy mix in Switzerland

Swisscom covers 100% of its electricity needs with a mix of renewable energy sources

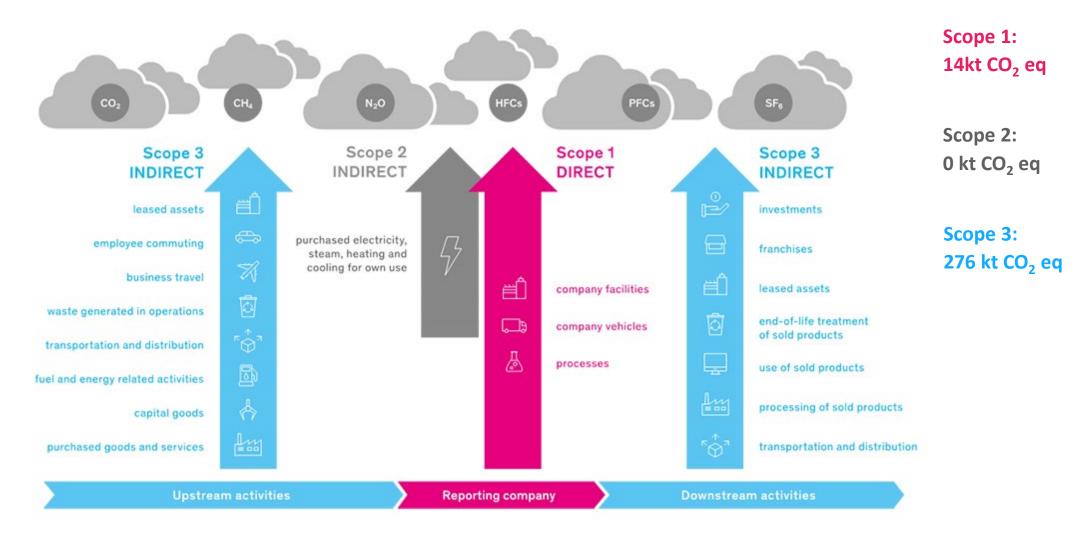
in Megawatthours MWh





#### Swisscom GHG emissions scope 1-3 in 2021

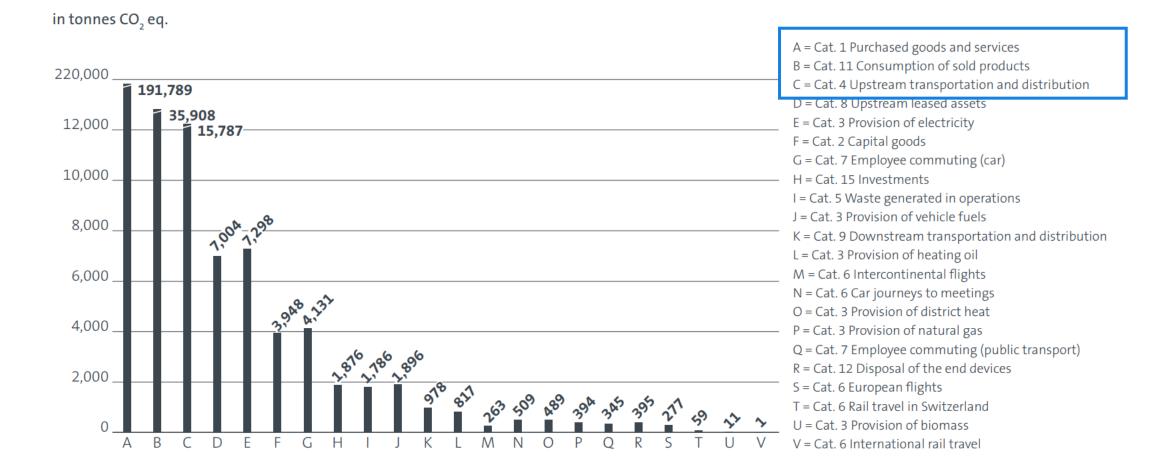
in accordance with ISO 14064





#### All Scope 3 emissions by GHG category

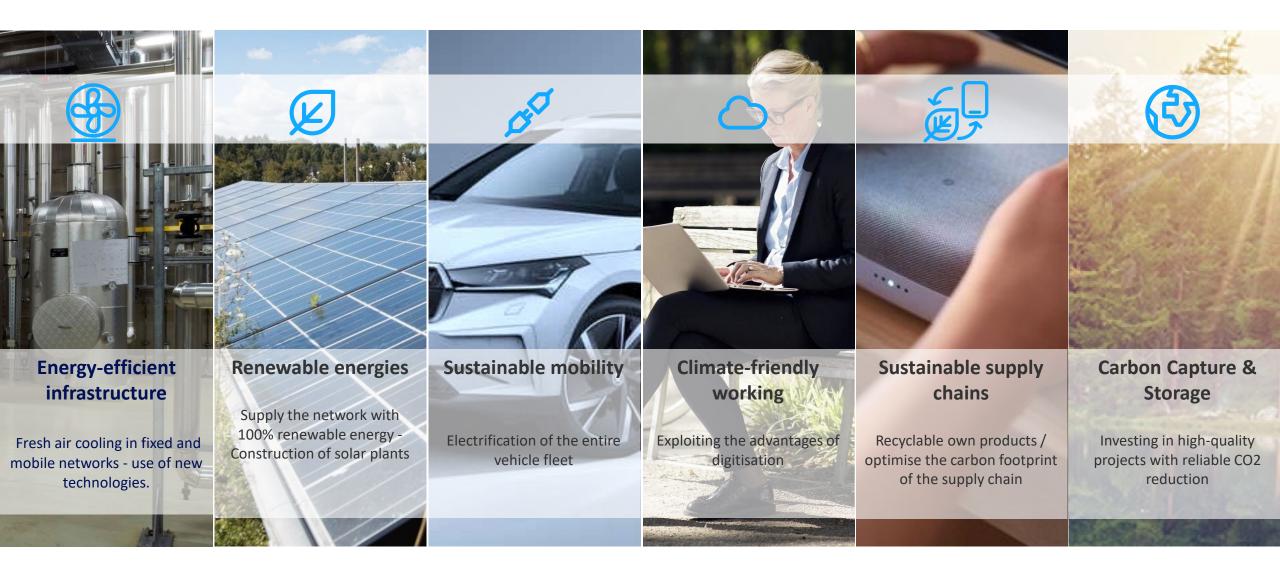
purchased goods and services are by far the largest category





#### The path to climate neutrality 2025 at Swisscom

essential levers to reduce the footprint





## Footprint and Circular economy of products

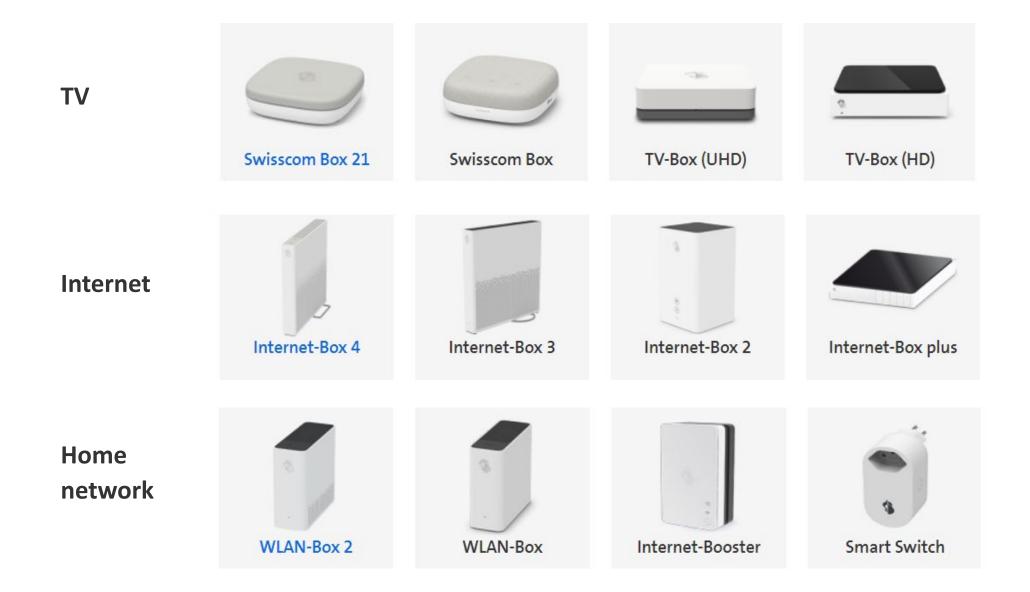


#### Circular Economy Framework

Governance <ul> <li>Internal CE</li> </ul>		<b>T Industry</b> Supplier Peers	<ul><li>Regulation</li><li>EU</li><li>Switzerland</li></ul>
Swisscom Circular Economy			
Products	<b>Trading goods Standard</b> Mobile devices, etc.	<b>Own brand products</b> TV-Box, Internet-Box, WLAN Box	Network Infrastructure / data center
Projects	<ul> <li>Mobile Aid (+ B2B)</li> <li>Mobile Buyback (+B2B)</li> <li>Refreshed</li> <li>Repair</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Design</li> <li>Refurbishment (Rec4All)</li> <li>Reuse</li> <li>Packaging ReBox</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Recycling</li><li>Removal</li></ul>
Opera- tions	Operations reuse and recycling, paper consumption, CO2 Scope 1-4, waste management, Energy efficiency, mobility, food		
Communi- cation	External (public, Customers, marketing communicatinos, etc) Internal (awareness)		

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#### Swisscom own branded products

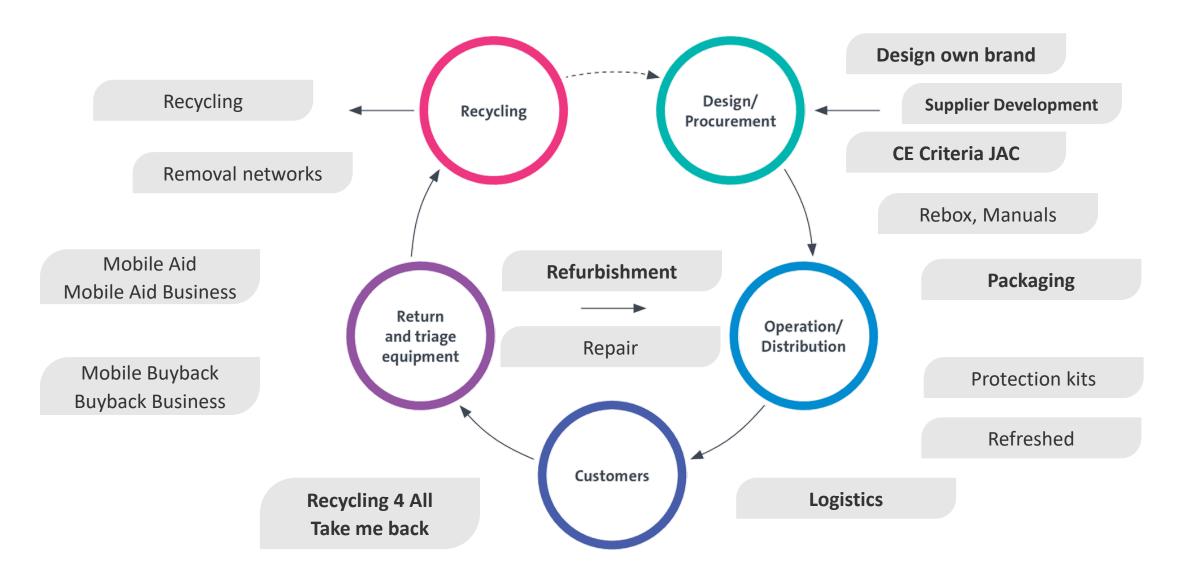


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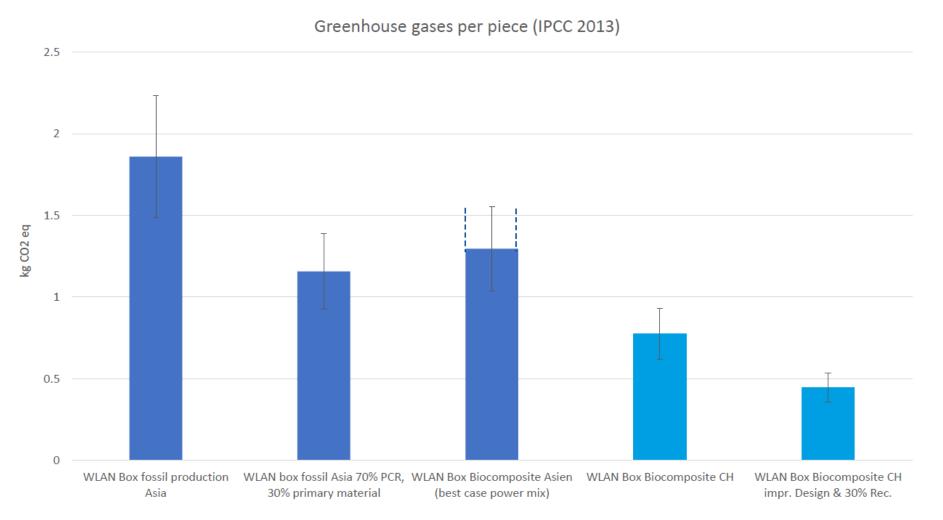
Programmes that contribute to Circular Economy





#### **Own brand product Design**

LCA on a Swisscom own brand product housing





#### **Recycling 4 All**

New logistics for refurbishment – CO<sub>2</sub> reductions through reduction of scope 3 emissions

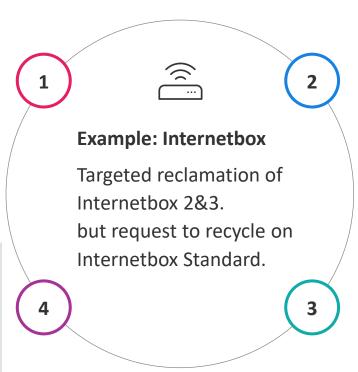


#### Status quo

Various notifications, not clear what to with or how to return old devices.



Cost savings and CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions reduction by 1'600 t through reduced logistic effort and reuse of second-hand devices as replacement equipment.



#### Measures

Uniform, clear and targeted notification of customers with uncomplicated return services.



Equipment that is still usable finds its way back to us. The rest is disposed of directly by the customer.

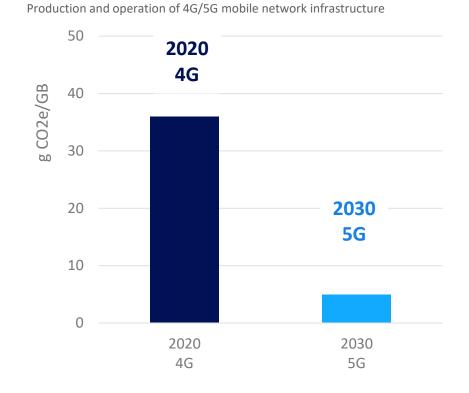


## LCA on data transmission by different type of networks



#### **Greenhouse gas efficiency of 4G and 5G**

Production and operation of 4G/5G mobile network infrastructure, (the functional unit is 1 GB of data transmitted)



#### 2020: 4G

- In Switzerland in 2020, roughly 538.8 million GB of data are transmitted via 4G networks per year.
- Data transfer via 4G networks causes roughly 36.0 g CO<sub>2</sub>e per GB in 2020.

#### 2030: 5G

- In Switzerland in 2030, 5G networks are expected to transmit 4.0 billion GB of data per year.
- Data transfer via 5G networks is expected to cause roughly 4.9 g  $CO_2e$  per GB in 2030; or 86% less than 4G mobile networks in 2020.



## Bringing all efforts to the customers in climate neutral subscriptions



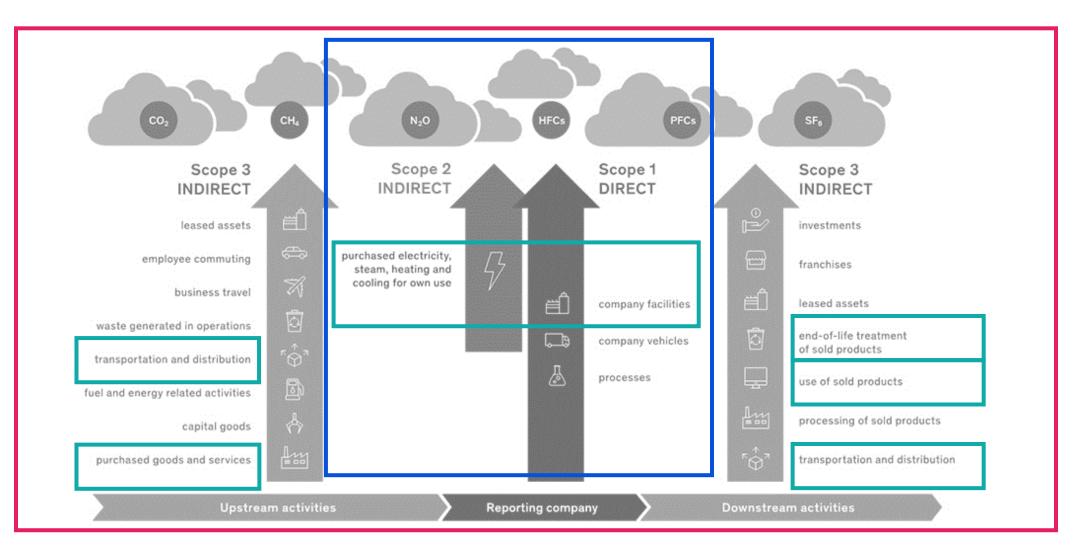
#### Swisscom's climate neutral subscriptions





#### Swisscom's climate neutral goals by scope

climate neutral subscriptions to be certified with PAS 2060:2014 (based on ISO 14064 inventory)



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Climate neutral operations, Climate neutral subscriptions, Climate neutral company



## Summary

### **Three overarching questions**





1) The biggest challenge concerning the analysis of the service was ...

To scope climate neutral subscriptions by bringing enduser hardware, network, operations and customer behaviour together







### **Three overarching questions**





... for the choice of functional unit of an enduser device Reduce to the max – to the smallest possible piece such as the housing

...for the choice of system boundaries of a complex service such as a subscription Use existing data and don't re-calculate the basics





### **Three overarching questions**



 3) I see the following major differences between LCAs of services & common LCAs of products:

#### With the product, it is much easier to choose a small functional unit

Services, on the other hand, are often more complex and the extrapolation of small units can quickly lead to large deviations.





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