

A woman with short brown hair, wearing a green turtleneck sweater, is smiling and looking to her right. She is holding a pair of surgical forceps. The background is a blurred operating room with a green surgical drape and other surgical instruments. The text 'SWISS MEDTECH' is overlaid in the top right corner with a red horizontal line below it.

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**Carbon Footprint: Essential for every company, but not rocket science**

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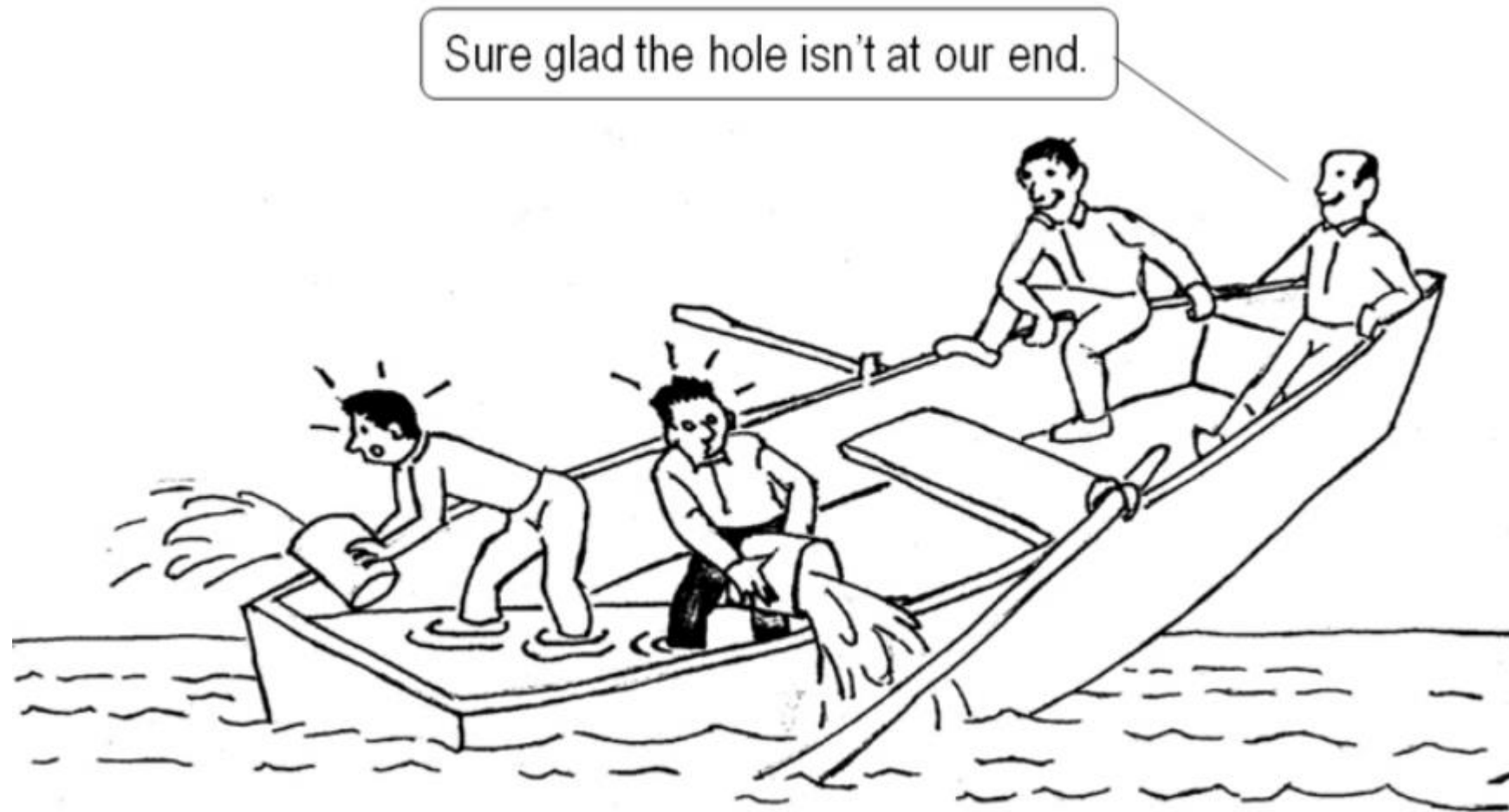
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# Aims of the Webinar

You know that

1. your company needs to address the issue of **sustainability**
2. drawing up a **carbon footprint** is a first step in this direction
3. preparing a carbon footprint is **not rocket science**

# Moral Basis for Sustainability



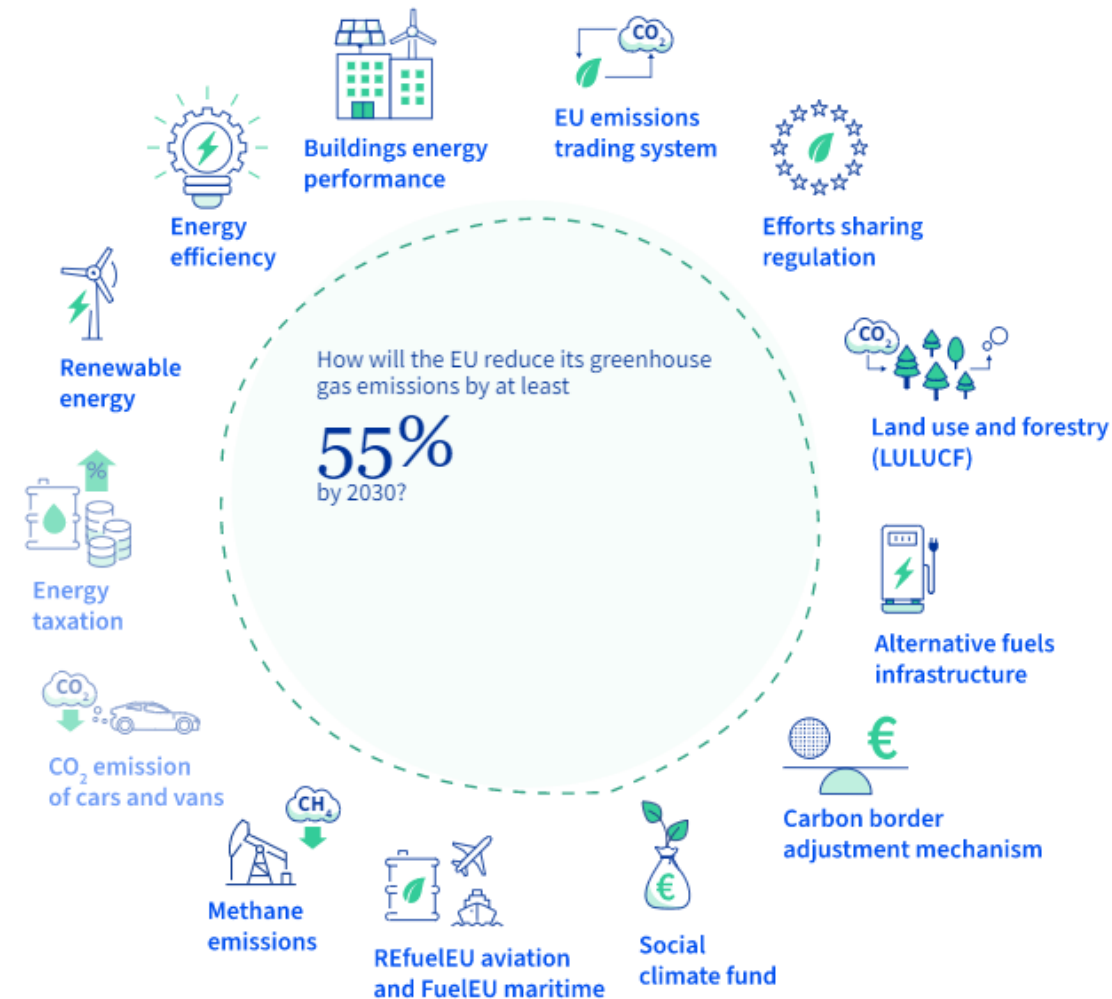
# Legal Basis for Sustainability (UNO)



# Legal Basis for Sustainability (EU)

- The Green Deal
- Fit for 55

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/de/policies/green-deal/fit-for-55-the-eu-plan-for-a-green-transition/>

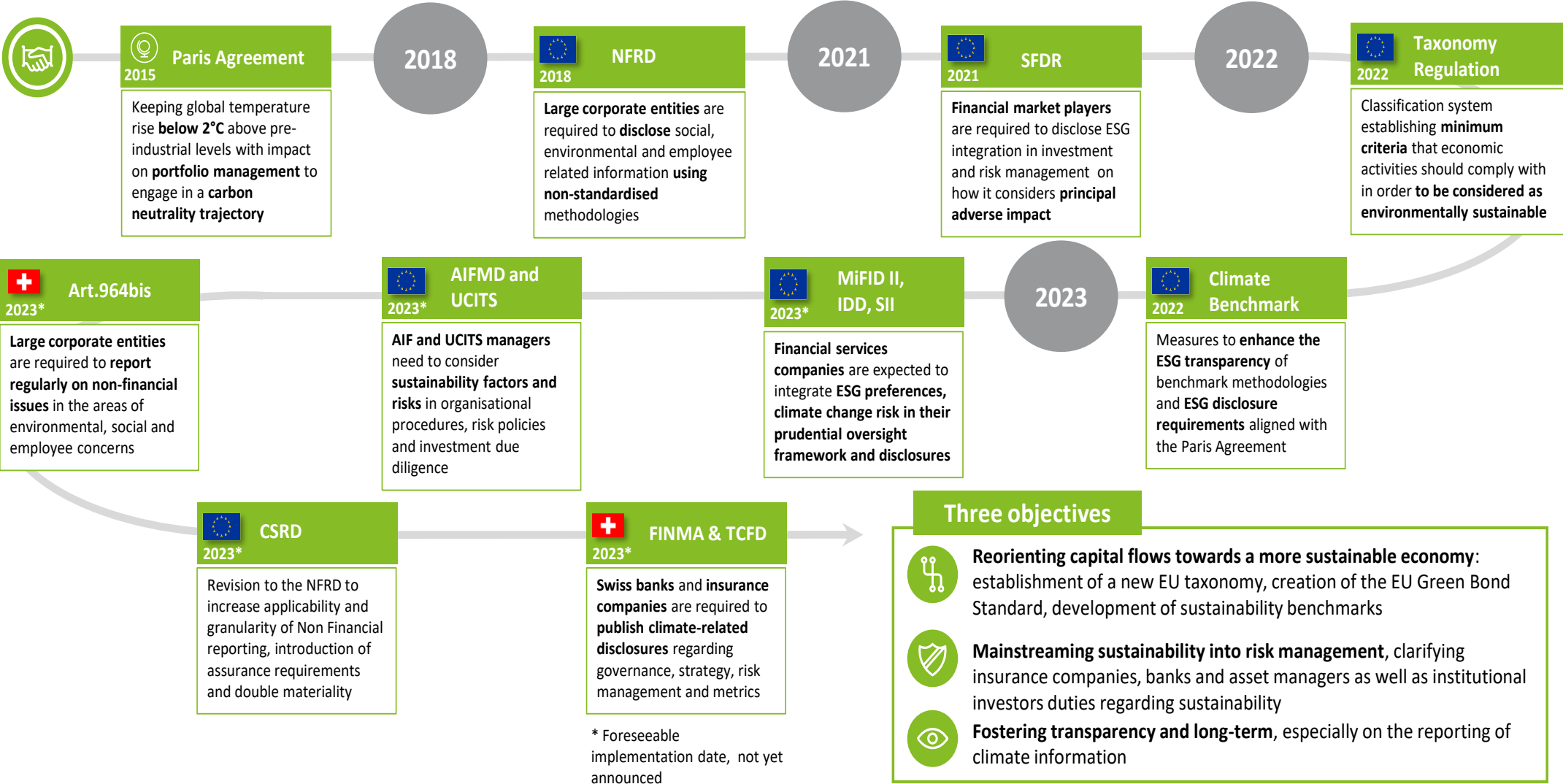


## A European Green Deal

Striving to be the first climate-neutral continent

# European and Swiss regulations

## Accelerating policy actions and increasing disclosure requirements



# Legal Basis for Sustainability (EU)

Important EU legislation with an impact on the medtech industry:

- **CSR** (Corporate Social Responsibility): Based on EU Directive 2014/95 (NFDR, Non-financial Reporting Directive), in revision
- **CSRD** (Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive): Based on EU Directive 2013/34, in force since 05.01.2023, implementation within 18 months
- **CSDDD** (Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive): in preparation
- **SCG** (Sustainable Corporate Governance): in preparation
- **RoHS** (Restriction of Hazardous Substances): In force as EU Regulation 2011/65 since 03.01.2013, regularly updated, last update 01.10.2022
- **REACH** (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals): In force as EU Regulation 1907/2006, last update 14.10.2022
- **WFD** (Waste Framework Directive): In force as EU Regulation 2008/98, last update 04.07.2018
- **PPWD** (Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive): In force as EU Regulation 94/62, last update 05.07.2018



# Supply Chain: Export into EU

## **CSRD (Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive)**

- In force since 05.01.2022, implementation within 18 months, binding for financial year 2024
- Mandatory for companies with 250 or more employees
- Turnover from € 40 million
- From 2026 also for SMEs listed on EU stock market

## Harmonised reporting requirements on climate issues

- Impact of business activities on people and the environment
- Impact of sustainability issues on the company

→ Pressure on suppliers and subcontractors

→ **ALL Swiss manufacturers will need to know their carbon footprint!**

# Legal Basis for Sustainability (CH)

Indirect counter-proposal to the rejected Corporate Responsibility Initiative

→ New provisions in the **Swiss Civil Code** and in the **Ordinance on Due Diligence and Transparency**; in force since 01.01.2022, 1 year transition time for companies, application binding for the 2023 financial year

Indirect counter-proposal to the Glacier Initiative

→ Switzerland wants to reduce its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to net zero by 2050 according to the **Climate Protection Act**;

→ Referendum submitted, public vote on 18.06.2023



# Legal Basis for Sustainability (CH)

Important Swiss legislation with an impact on the medtech industry :

- **OR** (Swiss Civil Code): Art. 964, in 2021 und 2022 significantly amended, in force
- **DDTrO** (Ordinance on Due Diligence and Transparency): in force since 01.01.2022
- **ORRChem** (Chemical Risk Reduction Ordinance): in force since 01.08.2005, last update 01.12.2022
- **VBKB** (Ordinance on Climate Disclosures): enforcement ordinance passed, will come into force on 01.01.2024
- **KIG** («Climate Protection Act», Federal law on climate protection goals, innovation and strengthening energy security): published 11.10.2022, public vote on referendum 18.06.2023

# Supply Chain: Sales & Import into CH

## VBKB (Ordinance on Climate Disclosures)

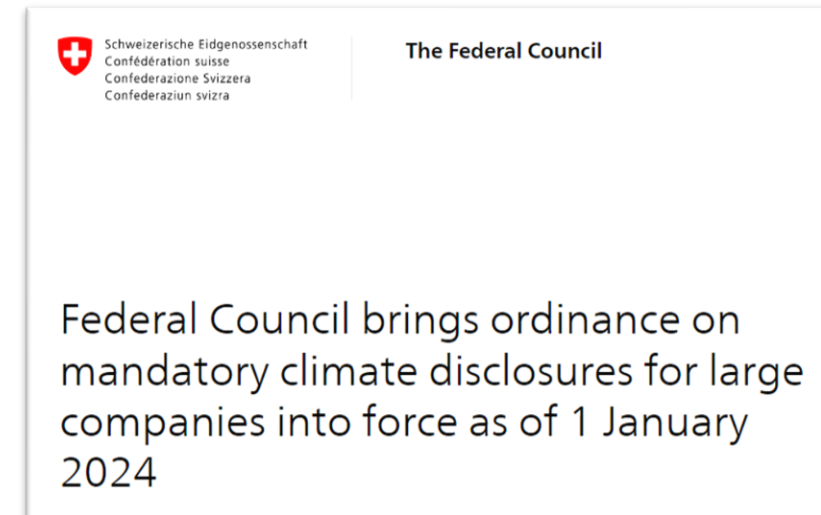
- Comes into force on 01.01.2024
- Mandatory for companies with 500 or more employees
- Turnover from CHF 40 million

### Public reporting on climate issues

- Impact of business activities on the climate
- Reduction targets for direct & indirect greenhouse gas emissions
- Planned implementation

→ Pressure on suppliers and subcontractors

→ **ALL Swiss medtech companies will need to know their carbon footprint!**



<https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/documentation/media-releases.msg-id-91859.html>

# Take-home Message

Please do the following:

1. Inform your CEO that your company **needs to address** the issue of sustainability now
2. Make sure your company names a **person responsible for sustainability**
3. Start to draw up the **carbon footprint** of your company