#### Sustainability

At ICLE 2025 in Munich, we are deeply committed to integrating sustainable practices and initiatives that go beyond mere rhetoric to achieve concrete results. We firmly believe that it is our collective responsibility to protect the future for upcoming generations, both locally and globally. With this commitment in mind, we are meticulously planning our upcoming conference with sustainability as a central focus. Our dedication to environmental stewardship touches every aspect of the event, involving not just the organizing team and committees, but also our partners and delegates whom we eagerly welcome.

By prioritizing sustainability, we aim to foster a greener future for our planet and enhance the well-being of everyone participating in ICLE 2025.

### ICLE 2025 and the Sustainable Development Goals

The <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> (SDGs, also called the Global Goals) are 17 goals with 169 targets that all UN Member States have agreed to work toward achieving by 2030. They set out a plan for a world without poverty, hunger, and disease.

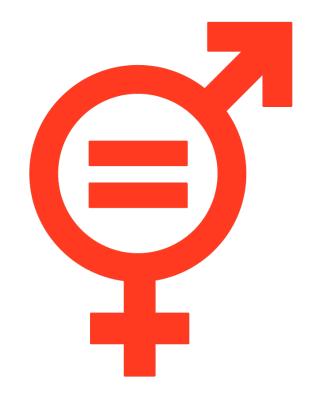
We at ICLE 2025 want to contribute to the achievement of these objectives in our value chain. We support and work toward the following SDGs:

# QUALITY EDUCATION



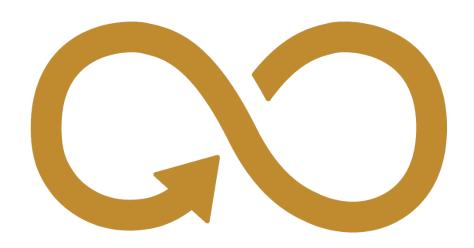
**OUR INITIATIVES** 

# 5 GENDER EQUALITY



**OUR INITIATIVES** 

# 12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



#### **OUR INITIATIVES**

As individuals, as well as a community, each of us can and should contribute towards maintaining the natural ecological balance in the environment and preserving the planet and its natural systems and resources. Here is what we invite you to do as part of the ICLE 2025:

- Use the mobile app (instead of printing) to inquire about the program details
- Use more sustainable ways of travelling to and around
  Munich

- Sort your waste in appropriate bins at venues, hotels, and around the city
- Keep waste items with you if there are no visible garbage or recycling bins at the event or during your tourism outings
- Choose reusable mugs and bottles and refuse single-use plastic
- Do not print booking confirmations and boarding passes;
  instead, provide digital copies of these documents
- Provide an alternative to business cards QR codes to LinkedIn or e-card
- Opt for a vegetarian meal option when available and possible

# GOAL 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

At ICLE 2025, we're dedicated to elevating accessible, topnotch education for our community.

As we prepare for the conference in Munich, our commitment includes:

- Enhancing the scientific program
- Addressing gender disparities
- Ensuring a lasting educational experience for all participants
- Keynote presentations: Delivered by Nobel Prize and Breakthrough Prize laureates
- Interactive Expert-Led Sessions: topics addressing the challenges of young researchers and panel discussion focused on early career professionals

## GOAL 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

At ICLE 2025, we are committed to ensuring nondiscrimination and equality for all committee members, presenters, and invited speakers.

Here's what we are doing:

- Promoting Gender Equality and Inclusivity: We are dedicated to achieving and closely observing gender equality and inclusivity among our participants, speakers, and committee members.
- Creating a Welcoming Space: Our event is designed to be inclusive and welcoming for everyone, regardless of age, gender, or ability.
- Increasing Female Representation: We are actively increasing the number of women holding committee positions for the event.
- Diverse and Comprehensive Program: We are crafting a program that includes a wide range of topics and features speakers from diverse backgrounds and experiences.

## GOAL 12: Ensure Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns

Here's what we are doing:

- Paperless approach: ICLE 2025 is digital, saving on paper while providing all the essential information in a digital program book.
- Local, healthy dining: From locally-sourced ingredients to reducing food transportation emissions, we're making dining sustainable and nutritious.
- Hosting the conference at a sustainable venue certified

with <u>Green Key</u> ensures adherence to high environmental and social responsibility standards. <u>This certification</u> signifies the venue's commitment to energy and water conservation, waste management, and sustainable practices.

#### **DESTINATION SUSTANABILITY:**

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Official SDG website:

https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment