



Paris Climate Agreement in the focus of value creation at Mercedes-Benz

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As an actor in the transport sector, Mercedes-Benz supports the Paris Climate Agreement: The Group is convinced of the goals of the agreement and has made climate protection a core element of its business strategy. Mercedes-Benz is consistently creating the conditions for a net carbon-neutral* new vehicle fleet from 2039.

On the road to an all-electric future of mobility, with "[Ambition 2039](#)" Mercedes-Benz is pursuing a holistic approach. The objective is to achieve a net CO₂-neutral* new vehicle fleet along the [entire value chain](#) from 2039 - eleven years earlier than required by EU legislation. The pace of transformation is determined by market conditions and the wishes of our customers. Until well into the 2030s, Mercedes-Benz will be able to flexibly offer vehicles with both all-electric drivetrain and electrified high-tech combustion engines.

Mercedes-Benz thus supports the efforts of policymakers to protect the climate and is making its contribution to reducing CO₂ emissions as part of its sustainable business strategy. In our political representation of interests, we are therefore committed to improving the framework conditions. At the same time, the Group is convinced that that the climate targets can only be achieved through collective action and dialogue based on partnership between politics, business, and civil society. As a company, Mercedes-Benz operates within the framework of the rules set by politics. In order to achieve the climate targets, it is therefore also up to policymakers to set framework conditions, for example in the expansion of a nationwide charging infrastructure or in the promotion of renewable energies.

- **Strategic partnerships**

To strengthen its commitment to climate protection, Mercedes-Benz maintains partnerships with international climate protection initiatives, among others. In the "Transform to Net Zero" initiative, which Mercedes-Benz joined as a founding member in 2020, renowned companies from various industries and countries of origin pool their expertise. The common goal is to improve the framework conditions for decarbonising economy and society worldwide. In October 2020, Mercedes-Benz joined "The Climate Pledge" and committed itself to meeting the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement ten years earlier than required.

- **Mercedes-Benz on an electric course**

By signing the "Declaration on Zero Emission Cars and Vans" at the United Nations COP26 Conference, Mercedes-Benz joined other companies, cities and governments in committing to an as far as possible CO₂-neutral transport and accelerating electrification. The pace of transformation is determined by market conditions and the wishes of our customers. Mercedes-Benz Cars expects the xEV share of new car sales

to reach up to 50% in the second half of the decade. At Mercedes-Benz Vans, the share of electric vehicles is expected to increase to more than 50% by 2030. To this end, Mercedes-Benz has set up production to be flexible with drive systems. For the further development of its product portfolio, the Group is making sustainable use of efficiencies between new and existing model series. All new models from Mercedes-Benz will meet the highest demands of our customers.

- **Reduce CO₂ emissions in supply chains**

Mercedes-Benz is implementing various projects and measures to avoid and reduce CO₂ emissions in the supply chains for services as well as for production and non-production materials. From 2039, we aim to achieve net carbon-neutrality* for our new vehicle fleet.

- **Resource-efficient logistics concept**

A resource-efficient logistics concept is another important step on the way to a net carbon-neutral* new vehicle fleet and its production. A milestone for this was the opening of the Automotive Logistics Center for Mercedes-Benz in Bremen in February 2022. The Center for Battery Logistics is the hub of the logistics concept for the battery systems of the all-electric Mercedes EQ model EQE.

- **Align supplier network with decarbonisation targets**

In general, the supplier network accounts for a considerable share of value creation and is therefore of crucial importance for the decarbonisation targets. A large proportion of suppliers, who account for almost 90% of the annual purchasing volume, have already signed an ambition letter. With it, they declare their willingness to supply only parts produced in a net carbon-neutral* manner in the future. From 2039 at the latest, only production materials that are net carbon-neutral* in all stages of the value chain will be allowed to pass through the Mercedes-Benz factory gates. If a supplier does not sign the ambition letter, it will not be considered for new contracts.

**Net carbon-neutral means that carbon emissions that are not avoided or reduced at Mercedes-Benz are compensated for by certified offsetting projects.*