Sustainability at Cisco

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Sustainability: A Business Imperative



Twin transition: sustainable & digital



Customer, investor & employee demand

"Delivering on important environmental, social, and governance (ESG) goals is not just critical for society, but also for our business."

- Chuck Robbins, Cisco Chairman & CEO

95% of S&P 500 companies issue a sustainability report ¹



Legislation, regulatory requirements, reporting standards, scrutiny



Business efficiencies & opportunities (e.g., public funding)

73%

of CxOs say becoming a "truly sustainable and responsible business" is a top priority ² 68%

of consumers say environmental sustainability is extremely or very important to them ³ 149 countries have a net zero target ⁴





¹ 2022 Sustainability Reporting in Focus, McKinsey & Company

² Shaping the Sustainable Organization, Accenture

³ The ESG Conundrum, IBM Institute for Business Value, 2023

⁴ zerotracker.net, as of Sept. 2024

Dual Responsibility

"Sustainability in IT"



- Renewable Energy
- Greener Data Centre



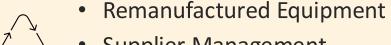
- Cloud Migration
- Energy Optimization



- Increased Asset Utilization
- Equipment Modernization



Extended Life



Supplier Management



15%

"Sustainability by IT"



- **Connected Transport**
- E-Work / Hybrid Work



- E-Health
- E-Learning



- E-Commerce
- Smart Buildings



Smart Grid



- Smart Agriculture
- **Smart Manufacturing**

Based on Exponential Roadmap 1.5.1 (2020) Smarter 2030 (GeSI 2015), Malmodin (2015)



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Sustainability Drivers Voice of the Customer



IT Priorities

Reduce total cost of ownership

Simplifying operations

Improving security

Energy management automation

Reducing networking footprint

Improving visibility and risk management



Sustainability Levers

- Cost of electricity
- GHG emission measurement
- Operational efficiency
- Space shortage
- Compliance and government regulation
- Improve competitive differentiation
- Customer, employee, investor pressure

Cisco's strategy to connect a regenerative future

Clean Energy Transitions

Accelerate clean energy adoption and global Net Zero ambitions



Circular Transformation

Evolve to a regenerative, circular model



Resilient Ecosystems

Scale efforts to foster an inclusive future and a healthy planet



Enhanced Governance

Embed sustainability into the way we operate to manage risk prudently, enhance trust, uphold brand integrity & inspire





The bridge to possible