

December Newsletter: Sustainability Week Zurich NHWZ

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Newsletter of Zurich's largest student sustainability association (Verein)



Person of the
SWeek

Alicia Köster

Welcome to the December Newsletter!

Hello there,

What a great way to end the year!

Over this semester, we got to deepen our engagement at the Sustainability Week Zurich. One example is the image you see above, which inaugurated our "Person of the SWeek" interview series on our [SWeek blog](#). In 2025 overall, we are very happy to have reached further with our welcome events, brainstorming sessions, social events, workshops & [more](#).

The groundwork for the upcoming Sustainability Week in April 2026 has already begun. Our theme this year is called "Sharing the Future". To show why we chose this theme, we also have a small [video](#) on our Instagram, live from the venue of the CoP30 Summit in Brazil (more below).

For 2026, we simplified the proposing of events by having an online form which can be accessed anytime. We also have two brainstorming events [coming up in January](#) to help you design your event with us. You are very welcome to become one of our event organisers (more below).

If you subscribed recently, we are Sustainability Week Zurich / Nachhaltigkeitswoche Zürich (NHWZ), an independent student association made of UZH, ETH, ZHAW, PHZH & ZHdK.

Thanks for making it a great year by attending our events, engaging with our community, becoming event organisers and continuing to foster a strong culture of sustainability. We wish you a very happy Christmas, other holidays, a great wrapping up of the old year and a wonderful start to the new year! See you in 2026!

Best regards,

Ashoka Vardhan Manchala
Co-President & Lead Team Member

On behalf of the **Lead Team**
Sustainability Week Zurich
Nachhaltigkeitswoche Zürich (NHWZ)

Our Events & Updates



Save the Dates: Two More Opportunities to Design Your Own Event with Us

Do you want to organise an event with us in April but do not have an idea yet? Or not sure how to implement it? Join us for our "Sustainability Event Creation Parties" with games and Apéro to figure out exactly that. These were earlier called Kickoff events. All students from any uni are welcome to join. **13.01.26(Tu) & 19.01.26(Mo)**. Register [here](#).

SEE UPCOMING EVENTS



Garden Girls: Panel Discussion

Our final Year-Round event in November was a deep dive into historical ideas about nature and gender. We were very glad to have Elena Lampp, medievalist at University of Zurich for a great discussion. We also had a giveaway of gardening material including seeds and pots during the event.

SEE OUR PAST EVENTS



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Person of the SWeek Interview Series: Now Live

We officially began our Person of the SWeek series. Alicia Köster from ETH is the first person we were happy to interview. In this interview series, we celebrate one person each, who has been a part of our community and usually organised their own events in earlier Sustainability Weeks. Alicia says, "Sustainability is Just About Being Decent Flatmates". Read more on our blog.

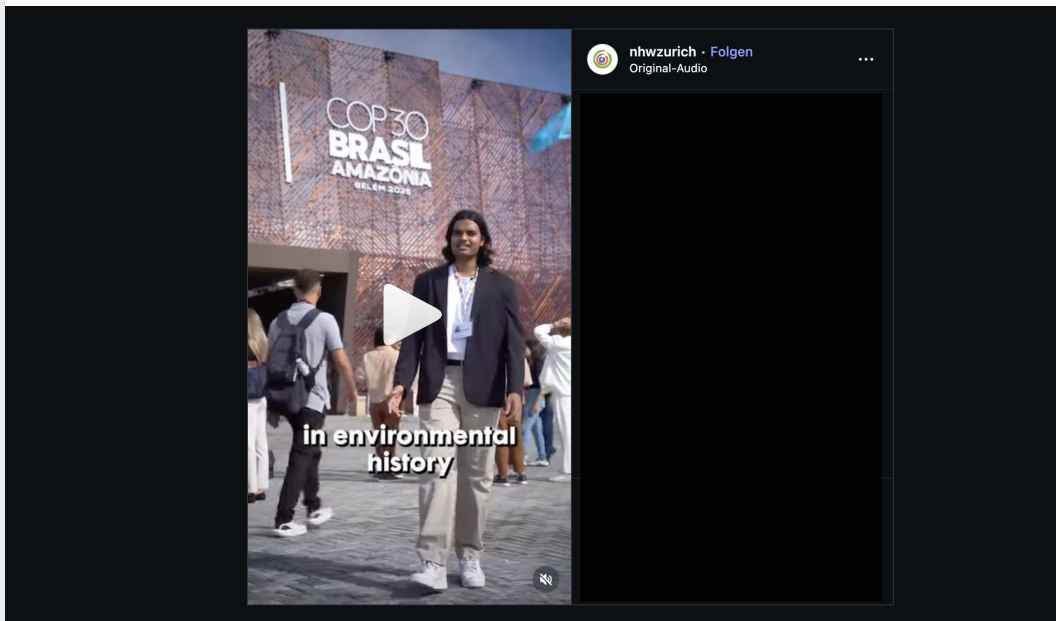
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Lorde Concert: Collaboration with Reverb

We collaborated with [Reverb](#), a sustainable music label at the Lorde Concert in November. Marco and Ronja from our [Lead Team](#) were present at our booth, showcasing the work of our association. We were happy to share this space with our other partner associations SSC, PBU and Greenboots.

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UN CoP30 Summit: Shoutout from Brazil

In November this year, one of our Co-Presidents got to be at the CoP30 Summit in Belém in Brazil, as an Observer from the University of Zurich. We also used this opportunity to introduce the CoP venue on our Instagram and also say why we chose the theme "Sharing the Future" for 2026.

[SEE THE VIDEO](#)

From Our Partners



Sustainability Project Video Contest

Does your student project have to do with UN Sustainability Development Goals and social innovation? Then you can make a video and take part in the U21 RISE Showcase Awards. Each university has its own internal deadline. For the University of Zurich, the internal deadline is on 31.01.2026 and managed by the Global Student Experience [Office](#).

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A Final Check-in

Are you a **student** who wants to engage with us? We would be very glad! Join our [WhatsApp community](#) and stay connected on our [Instagram](#). You can find our past & upcoming events on our [website](#).

Are you a **partner Verein** / association who works on sustainability & want to publicise your own events? Please write to us at info@nhwz.ch and we would love to add your events to our newsletter.

Whether you are one of the above or not, we still wish you a lovely rest of the day/night/afternoon/evening! See you soon!



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