

## 2025/26 FIS Climate Award (related to the use of the FIS CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator)

### - Rules and Regulations -

#### Aim of the Award

The FIS Climate Award aims to recognize and reward FIS Member Federations and Organizing Committees that are actively addressing climate change through the effective use of the FIS CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator.

The award supports the efforts of Local Organizing Committees (LOCs) and National Ski Associations (NSAs) to better understand and reduce their carbon emissions. It encourages climate-informed decision-making and gives visibility to those committed to climate action.

This award supports the goals of the Sports for Climate Action Framework by promoting carbon emissions measurement, encouraging data-driven carbon reduction strategies, and inspiring the adoption of best practices throughout the global FIS community.

#### ***Sports for Climate Action Framework Principles:***

- Put in place a clear and consistent approach to improving environmental responsibility
- Encouraging evidence-based strategies to reduce overall climate impact,
- Educate others about climate action
- Promote sustainable and responsible consumption
- Use communication to support and promote climate action

#### Award Criteria

Applications are evaluated across five core criteria. These help the Jury assess, transparently and consistently, how effectively National Ski Associations (NSAs) and Local Organizing Committees (LOCs) use the FIS CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator. The criteria make it possible to compare different events and organizational contexts through a clear and fair methodology. Applicants are expected to address at least one of these areas, while stronger applications typically demonstrate progress across several.

**1. Data Quality and Transparency** looks at how accurate and reliable the data is, whether clear data collection procedures are in place, who is responsible for the process, the balance between primary and estimated data, and how clearly assumptions and limitations are explained.

**2. Coverage and Application** looks at how broadly the calculator is used across events and categories, whether it is applied to larger and more complex events, and whether it is used to establish baselines from past data.

**3. Integration into Decision-Making** evaluates whether the calculator is used during the planning phase and whether its results have influenced concrete organizational or operational decisions.

**4. Demonstrated Emissions Reductions** looks at whether emissions have been reduced, or whether emissions per participant or activity have improved, compared to previous events or baseline levels.

**5. Engagement and Outreach** looks at how results and the benefits of using the calculator are shared internally and externally to raise awareness and engage stakeholders

Together, these five areas translate climate principles into practical and measurable actions across the FIS community.

## Application Process

### Eligibility

The award is open to Local Organizing Committees (LOCs) and National Ski Associations (NSAs) that have used or are using the FIS CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator. To be eligible, the calculator must have been used at least once during the 2024/2025 or 2025/2026 seasons. Applicants must address at least one of the categories described above.

Nordic Combined World Cup Local Organizing Committees are not eligible for this award. Instead, they are invited to apply for the Viessmann Combined for Change CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator Awards, which recognize climate action and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions in Nordic Combined World Cup events

### Submission Requirements and Deadline

To apply for the FIS 2026 Climate Award, applicants must complete the application form (Annex 1) and submit it to [sustainability@fis-ski.com](mailto:sustainability@fis-ski.com) by **31.07.2026**.

The form asks for key information, including how the CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator was used, what data was collected, what actions were taken, and the impact achieved.

### Jury

Award winners will be selected by a jury made up of senior FIS members, external sustainability and climate experts, a representative from the Sports for Climate Action initiative, and an athlete to ensure the voice of athletes is included in the evaluation process.

The inclusion of independent experts helps ensure that the evaluation process is fair, transparent, and technically sound.

The selection process will involve:

- An initial review of all eligible submissions by the FIS Sustainability team;



- Scoring by the full jury based on the evaluation criteria
- A final meeting to discuss the top applications and select the winner

The final decision will reflect a balanced and expert assessment of both measurable impact and qualitative considerations.

## Award

The jury will select one winner from the LOC applicants and one winner from the NSA applicants. Winners will receive a trophy at the FIS Autumn Technical Meetings and will be promoted through FIS channels, highlighting their commitment to climate action. They will also receive **€3,500** to support future climate or environmental sustainability initiatives.

## General Terms

*This framework fosters a competitive yet collaborative environment where sports organizations can showcase their efforts to promote sustainability and advance climate action through sport.*

*By submitting an application for this Award to FIS, candidates fully and unreservedly accept all the terms and conditions of these General Rules and Regulations, as well as the decisions of FIS, including those made by the Jury. FIS's decisions on all matters relating to the Award are final and binding on all candidates.*

*FIS reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to modify, delete, or add to these General Rules and Regulations at any time, without prior notice and without any compensation or indemnification owed to candidates.*

*These General Rules and Regulations take precedence over any provisions or statements contained in promotional materials related to the Award.*

## Data Protection

*FIS is committed to protecting the privacy and personal data of all participants, nominees, and stakeholders involved in the Award process. This section outlines how applicants' personal data will be handled during the course of the Award.*

### **1. Data Collected**

*As part of the application process for the FIS Athletes Climate Action Award, the following data will be collected:*

- *First and last name*
- *Nationality*
- *Contact information (email address, phone number)*
- *Professional affiliation*
- *Additional information relevant to the application or nomination*



## **2. Purpose of Data Collection**

*The data collected will be used solely for purposes related to the FIS Athletes Climate Award, including:*

- *Verifying eligibility and processing applications*
- *Communicating with candidates, nominators, and endorsers regarding the Award*
- *Managing the Award evaluation and selection process*
- *Promoting the Award and publicizing the names and achievements of Award winners*

## **3. Data Processing and Storage**

*The personal data provided will be processed by FIS in compliance with applicable data protection laws. Appropriate technical and organizational measures will be used to ensure that data is kept secure and protected from unauthorized access, alteration, or destruction.*

## **4. Sharing of Data**

*In the course of the Award process, personal data may be shared with FIS staff, the Judging Committee, and third parties involved in administering the Award. Limited information about Award recipients, such as names and awarded projects, may also be shared for public relations and promotional purposes, including in press releases, publications, and on the FIS website.*

## **5. Retention of Data**

*Personal data will be retained only for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes for which it was collected and to comply with legal obligations. Once the data is no longer required for these purposes, it will be securely deleted or anonymized.*

*For candidates who are not selected for the Award, their data will be retained for a reasonable period of up to five years after the Award year, unless earlier deletion is requested.*

## **6. Changes to this Privacy Notice**

*This privacy notice may be updated periodically to reflect changes in data processing practices. Any significant updates will be communicated by publishing a revised version of this notice on the FIS website.*

*By submitting an application or nomination for the FIS Climate Award, applicants consent to the processing of their personal data in accordance with this policy.*