

# Where we stand

BlackRock's commitment in Switzerland

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**2020 fundamentally reshaped our everyday lives. I believe that in such times it is even more important to strengthen our commitment to a more sustainable economy.**

Mirjam Staub-Bisang, Head of BlackRock Switzerland

## Our journey toward helping more and more people experience financial well-being.

BlackRock has been operating in Switzerland managing assets for Swiss clients for more than 24 years, with around 100 employees currently providing investment, advisory and risk management services.<sup>1</sup>

By putting our clients' money to work in companies, projects and governments, we enable them to participate in the development of the economy and ultimately help fuel growth, jobs and innovation. In Switzerland, we are focused on helping people build long-term savings for retirement, and have made sustainability our standard of investing in pursuit of this goal.

**CHF 151bn**

Managed for clients in Switzerland<sup>2</sup>

**80+**

Number of pension funds in Switzerland whose retirement savings are managed by BlackRock<sup>3</sup>

**CHF 34bn**

Invested in sustainable funds<sup>4</sup>

## Our purpose in action

01

**We help millions of people build savings that serve them throughout their lives.**

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**We make investing easier and more affordable.**

03

**We advance sustainable investing because our conviction is it delivers better outcomes for investors.**

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**We contribute to a more resilient economy that benefits more people.**

**Learn more about our commitments**

The full report is presented in English

## Connecting client capital to our social responsibility

We have put money from investors in Switzerland and globally to work in the Swiss economy, supporting growth, jobs, innovation and societal benefits.

Through our investments in Swiss companies, we have production increases of respirators during COVID-19 to serve a growing number of patients across Europe.

We also invest in innovative companies and projects contributing to a sustainable future and tackling climate change, such as the development of electric public transport systems in Switzerland.

## Engaging with local communities

Together with Pro Juventute we are working to support secondary school children in their application process for apprenticeships. We have also sponsored Sportegration, a non-profit supporting refugee integration through sports. Each of those partnerships include providing funding and employees volunteering their time to activities.

Employee volunteering in the local community also extends to Insieme, who we have partnered with to set up various activities supporting the disabled, as well as devoting time and cooking skills to the homeless shelter Pfuusbus.

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