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H2O Racing Founder:  
Nicolo di San Germano

# ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

UNDERPINS H2O RACING  
CORE VALUES



## 7 Carbon Neutral Grand Prix

Abu Dhabi, Sharjah, China,  
England, France and Indonesia

## 2 F1H2O Teams

Maverick Team is the first ever  
Carbon Neutral team for 2023 season.

China Team joined the project in 2024 season

## 28 Aquabike Riders

Have offsetted their whole season's emissions  
getting the U.I.M. Carbon Neutral Status

# 2.293.740 kg of Co<sup>2</sup>

Emissions have been offset since the  
beginning of the environmental care project

## 3.427 Trees

Has been planted in Africa, South East  
Asia and Central America

## Support to Rimba Raya Forest protection project in Indonesia

Climate Contribution: 250.000 kg of carbon emission offset



Implementation  
of a Health, Safety  
and Environmental  
Department

CO<sup>2</sup>

Development  
of a Carbon  
Management  
Strategy to offset  
as much as possible  
to try to reduce its  
impact on the  
environment



Partnership with :  
Treedom, Climate  
Partner and  
Environment and  
Protected Areas  
Authority (EPAA) of  
Sharjah



# H2O RACING ENVIRONMENTAL MAP



# H2O RACING PUTS ITS WEIGHT BEHIND SUSTAINABLE SUPPORT FOR RIMBA RAYA BIODIVERSITY RESERVE IN INDONESIA

H2O Racing is doing its bit to offset any emissions created by the UIM F1H2O World Championship and is supporting the global sustainable green agenda by throwing its weight behind the plan to protect the habitat of Indonesia's critically endangered orangutans.

The Rimba Raya Biodiversity Reserve is home to some of the last remaining endangered Bornean orangutans and acts as a buffer zone between oil palm plantations and the Tanjung Puting National Park. The project has been verified under the SD VISta Standard as contributing to all 17 of the United Nations' sustainable development goals (SDGs). The goal is to restore the forests, increase carbon stocks and provide additional habitat for wildlife.

H2O Racing has a strong track record of supporting sustainable development and the ongoing green agenda and is delighted to be able to lend its support to this invaluable project of forest conservation in one of the world's most endangered ecosystems.

H2O Racing founder Nicolò di San Germano said: "It is our pleasure to fully support any sustainable development agenda, particularly in this part of the world where the ecosystem is so diverse. We chose this important project for two reasons: it's in Indonesia and our first race was here in 2023 and it includes all 17 of the UN's sustainable development goals. I am very aware of the need to support and look after the environment and am fully supportive of this type of invaluable project."

H2O Racing has a responsibility to its stakeholders, to the countries and to the people involved to support them in respect of their environment. It has already formed a partnership to plant trees in Africa, South-east Asia and Central America, formed a fund-raising campaign to build wells in Africa and implemented a Health, Safety and Environmental Department. In addition, it has introduced

development of a carbon management strategy to offset as much as possible and reduce the impact on the environment.

Four Grand Prix in Abu Dhabi, France, China and Sharjah have already been awarded 'Carbon Neutral' status and thousands of trees have been planted. To date, 1,709,600kgs of carbon dioxide emissions have been offset by the planting of trees. Maverick Racing has also announced it will be the first team on the tour to become carbon neutral for the whole season.

Giorgio Bertolini, General Manager of ClimatePartner Italy, said: "At ClimatePartner, we believe that every business can play a critical role in the fight against climate change and we are proud to partner with H2O Racing to support climate protection projects. Much has already been done to reduce emissions, for example, by using 100% of electricity from renewable sources, implementing proper waste management practices and reducing single-use plastic. Also, the industry is striving to develop increasingly efficient and less impactful engines.

"I was excited to share that the climate protection project selected for this collaboration was the one in Rimba Raya where the race took place. This project not only contributed to all the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), but it is also a highly qualitative forest protection project that has received several awards. By supporting the Rimba Raya project, H2O Racing voluntarily put a price on the emissions generated by the event and helped to protect vital habitats and preserve biodiversity. We were happy for this collaboration, and we look forward to continuing our work together in the years ahead." H2O Racing was issued with a certificate for its recent climate contribution. This confirmed the offset of carbon emissions by additional carbon offset projects and showed that 250,000kg of CO2-equivalents were offset in the support programme for the Rimba Raya project in Indonesia.



# PROTECTING THE HABITAT OF INDONESIA'S CRITICALLY ENDANGERED ORANGUTANS

## FOREST PROTECTION, RIMBA RAYA, INDONESIA



The Rimba Raya Biodiversity Reserve, is home to some of the last remaining endangered Bornean orangutans and acts as a buffer zone between oil palm plantations and the Tanjung Puting National Park. The area offers ideal habitat to several animal and plant species, including proboscis monkeys and sun bears. Ecosystem health is promoted through the reforestation of degraded areas, while the community is supported through activities that include the supply of individual water filters, water purification systems, fire management, solar lighting, libraries, scholarships, micro-enterprises and a floating clinic that delivers health services to the most remote areas, where some people have never had access to medical care.

The project has been verified under the SD VISta Standard as contributing to all 17 of the United Nations SDGs and the goal is to restore forests, increase carbon stocks and provide additional habitat to wildlife.

## HOW DOES FOREST PROTECTION HELP FIGHT GLOBAL WARMING?

Forests are not only among the planet's most important carbon reservoirs. They also are home to an enormous diversity of species and are the livelihood for all people. However, global forest areas have declined sharply in recent decades due to increasing settlement, agricultural use, illegal logging and mining. Forest protection projects ensure that forests are preserved in the long term and that the protection of forests is given a higher value than their deforestation. Together with the local population, project participants protect the area from negative influences. To allow for this the projects create alternative sources of income and educational opportunities. Depending on the project region, forests store varying amounts of carbon per hectare. Particularly high amounts of carbon are stored in the vegetation and soil of tropical swamp forests, primary rainforests or mangroves.



# MAVERICK RACING: THE FIRST 'CARBON-NEUTRAL' TEAM IN F1H2O SERIES

Maverick team was the first team to become carbon neutral in the UIM F1H2O World championship paddock

Team driver Cédric Deguisne said: "Myself, together with all the Maverick Racing team members, have decided to undertake a project towards carbon-zero, starting in 2023. We strongly think that is really fundamental to preserve our health and the environment in which we spend our everyday life and our passion for powerboat racing. Our aim is to offset our CO2 emissions through an association which preserves the oceans and a project that recovers plastic for recycling, which also helps to improve people's lives thanks to a remuneration system. From small streams do big rivers grow..."

This particular 'Climate Partner' is an international carbon offset project that combines with additional plastic collection. Every tonne

of CO2 that is offset enables the Plastic Bank initiative to stop 10kg of plastic waste from entering the oceans.

Oceans store a quarter of the carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and even 93% of the heat caused by the greenhouse effect. Warming, overfishing and pollutants endanger the balancing function. Over eight million tonnes of plastic waste ends up in the sea every year. Plastic Bank empowers ethical recycling in vulnerable coastal areas. Members exchange plastic at local collection branches in return for life-improving benefits, such as health and life insurance, meal vouchers and income.

Maverick Racing's lead has also been taken by the China CTIC Team, who will be seeking a compatible partner to compensate for the carbon footprint of the entire 2023 season.



# AN INTERNATIONAL PROJECT COMBINED WITH PLASTIC COLLECTION

Our additional commitment: 10 kg of plastic collected for every tonne of CO2 offset

Beyond guaranteed emission reductions through one of our certified carbon offset projects, this program has an additional regional commitment to help protect our seas.

The ocean stores a quarter of the CO2 from the atmosphere and even 93 percent of the heat caused by the greenhouse effect - making it a major brake on climate change. Warming, overfishing, pollutants and waste endanger this balancing function. Over 8 million tonnes of plastic waste end up in the sea every year. Especially in developing countries that often lack infrastructure for proper waste disposal.

Plastic Bank empowers ethical recycling communities in vulnerable coastal areas. Community members exchange plastic at local collection branches for life-improving benefits, such as health and life insurance, meal vouchers and secure income.

# CARBON OFFSET WITH ADDITIONAL PLASTIC COLLECTION



Contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

## SDG 1 · No Poverty

Members receive a fair & stable income for the plastic they collect. Plastic Bank pays additional incentives to further improve quality of life and access to life necessities.

## SDG 9 · Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

In regions with a lack of waste management infrastructure, Plastic Bank connects shippers, plastics processors, freighters and builds a recycling circular economy.

## SDG 13 · Climate Action

Healthy oceans are vital to stabilising the climate; the wind park in the Philippines generates verified Gold Standard emission reductions.

## SDG 14 · Life below Water

By offsetting one tonne of CO2, 10 kg of plastic are collected. This corresponds to approx. 500 plastic bottles. In this way, the project protects marine life, microorganisms and endangered species.



# CHINA CTIC TEAM BECAME SECOND CARBON NEUTRAL F1H2O TEAM IN 2024

The China CTIC Team has followed Maverick Racing's lead and became the second Carbon Neutral team on the pontoon in the 2024 UIM F1H2O World Championship.

The team decided to join the H2O Racing Carbon Neutral programme in order to be aware of its actual CO2 footprint, while participating as a team in the championship.

Team spokesman Philippe Dessertenne explained that the China CTIC Team's decision to undertake the Carbon Neutral project and to develop a best practice framework policy to offset on a year-after-

year basis was based on three fundamental reasons.

He said: "We talk a lot about CO2 pollution but we don't know exactly what it means for our team and for the sport in which we participate.

We don't know exactly how much we pollute and what the implications are for the environment every time we all take planes, move boats or compete at a Grand Prix. This is why we want to become aware of the consequences on the environment of the sport we practice."

Although the team is based in France, it is a team supported by China and takes the country's name. The Asian powerhouse has often been accused of polluting the environment and turning its back on green policies but, in recent years, it has made enormous progress in terms of renewable energy and has invested heavily in photovoltaic cells to expand its solar energy production with a view to achieving a neutral position in terms of CO2 offsets. For that reason, the China CTIC Team also wants to make its contribution and demonstrate its concern for the environment.

The China CTIC Team is now committed to finding a compatible partner in line with its philosophy and with H2O Racing's offset standards and policies to compensate for its carbon footprint.

France's Maverick Racing was the first of the F1H2O race teams to follow the carbon neutral philosophy. Both Alexandre Bourgeot and Cédric Deguisne are staunch believers in sustainability and the carbon offset programme and similar principles were implemented during the staging of the Grand Prix of France in macon in 2023.



# UIM AQUABIKE CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS



In 2017 Joana Graça, Emma-Nellie Ortendahl, Lisa Caussin-Battaglia, Andrzej Wisniewski, Gabor Szabo and Christophe Agostinho have started to offset their seasons' carbon emissions and have been awarded the status of 'UIM Carbon Neutral Rider' and the support from riders continued

to increase with Virginie Morlaes, the Borgstrom sisters Jonna and Sofie, Yasmiin Ypraus, Axel Courtois, Paolo Nunes, Krista Uzare, Jessica Chavanne and Matteo Benini the most recent to signees.

## JASMIIN YPRAUS

"It is an honor for me participating to the H2O Racing Environmental Program with the target of getting the status of UIM Carbon Neutral Rider for 2020 season. It gives me an opportunity to give back and find new ways for greener lifestyle without cutting-off from aquabike sport. We can still race and compete on high level and the results will be amazing for us and the world around us.

"One big step me and my team has made is the fact that we are racing with nature friendly racing fuel Aspen.

Aspen is an extremely clean and effective

motor fuel which is virtually free from benzene, sulphur or other harmful substances. In addition, we also travel wisely. We ship our equipment combined with other riders or bigger shipments to avoid needless driving and air pollution.

"To sum it up me and my team want to live and enjoy the race life in a clean environment. We will keep looking for new ways and helpful chances to increase the benefit for our world."



## PAULO NUNES

" Last year in February when Aquabike offered me the supported rider contract the first thing i wanted to do, was the Carbon Neutral Program. At this present time, and the way our Planet is changing, for worse, this "Green " project gives a whole new meaning to our Team's Philosophy. At home and has my wife, Ski Ladies Pilot Joana Graça told, we are blessed to live in the countryside and have the opportunity to plant a lot of trees in our backyard and we are also proud owners of beehives. With that we contribute to the growth of more

plants and trees through the process of Pollination made by our flying yellow pets . After that, we came across that we had to do even some more changes in the paddock ! Now we only use biodegradable detergents to clean our Jetskis, not having to worry of all the product that is washed away to the sea or lake, again. We hope to create more awareness to this global problematic and show to friends and family that changes have to happen. So let's go as green as possible folks! "

## ESTELLE PORET

Becoming a Carbon Neutral Rider is, for me, the best way to show an example of how we take care of our planet Even if we love mechanical sports, we ride on the oceans, seas and lakes. I think all riders are in love with nature. This is the first element of our beautiful sport and it's normal to do all we can to reduce our impact and work together for a better world.

The Carbon Neutral Mission of Aquabike is a good opportunity for all riders to carry out good actions. If each human on the earth did a small thing, at the end, with all of us, it's a BIG action.



# UIM AQUABIKE CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS



**EMMA-NELLIE ORTENDAHL**

"I think that the effort that going in this project is amazing. It's another great way to pay back to nature for all the life it brings us. I'm very proud to be a part of this project from the beginning and I have a forest in Kenya named "Emmie the forest" after a nickname and a fun intern joke with my best friend. I love positivity and that is what these important projects bring to me.

"I know that many don't think that motorsport is something that can do good for nature, but all the new technology for electric vehicles makes me all exited for the evolvement of the sport. Until that revolution comes, it's amazing to see all the Grand Prix that has been confirmed to be Carbon Neutral.

"I live in Sweden, and I grew up in a house surrounded by trees, animals, a river and also the sea not too far away.

I love it like that, I've always been close to nature and I love to enjoy the beautiful scenery and experiences it creates, day after day. Everyone needs to take responsibility and value this, too many take it for granted and thinks it will stay like that forever. It can, but only if we do something.

"So I do what I can to pay back for the energy I use. I didn't hesitate about joining the Carbon Neutral program, I recycle plastic, metal, paper, cans etc. Also the waste food goes of course in to the compost. I don't waste water and I can't leave any lights on unnecessary. A very important aspect that I focus on is the occurring over consumption, we buy new stuff too often. I barley buy new clothes in stores. I donate and recycle textile and reuse as much as I can.

"Also a major aspect is the food we eat. Meat is a huge load on the nature, so I eat vegetarian at least a meal per day. You can find loads of plant based protein, so it's nothing to worry about. I believe that many small differences make the big changes, so if everyone thinks twice about their daily habits to reduce and compensate their carbon footprint, we will start a revolution. Remember, everything counts in the long run!"

## MATTEO BENINI

I chose to become a carbon neutral rider, because as a young rider and boy I feel obliged to support the ecosystem to allow improvements in CO2 emissions in years to come.

Furthermore, by competing in a sport in direct contact with nature and the sea it is easy to see how pollution changes the earth, month after month, and year after year.

It is also a source of pride to be able to concretely help the earth by planting trees to equalise the CO2 emissions we produce and, I hope, that these initiatives are also adopted by other championships to send a strong message to people: the time has come to act for our planet !



## VIRGINIE MORLAES

"I found myself totally in line with H2O Racing Sustainability Program since the beginning. My philosophy always aimed to concrete actions and now that I will have the opportunity of having my Carbon Footprint related to the World Championship participation certified I will have one more tool at my disposal.

In offsetting purposes I just started a new adventure, it's going to be a social-environmental experiment in cooperation with the Sablons Municipality. Sablons Municipality, located in the region of Nouvelle Aquitaine, in France, thanks to my inputs and in collaboration with the scientific partner Natura 2000, has made available more than 7.000

m2 of land on which we will plant 130 trees. But that's not it. The project is going to be in cooperation with Sablons primary school which has 130 young students and so, each one of them is going to participate to the plantation as a conclusion of a pedagogic path focused on Carbon Footprint subject, have as a sybologic present one of these trees, and will have as a symbological present one of these trees and will have the chance of seeing it grow within the years. Finally, Sablons Municipality has just approved a resolution stating that it's going to be forbidden to cut the forest for the next 100 years, so for that time being we are sure we will offset a great amount of CO2!"



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nvironmental sustainability, a greater awareness and understanding, actively taking responsibility and the rights of every individual to basic needs underpin the core values of on-going initiatives implemented by H2O Racing founder Nicolò di San Germano.

“As individuals we all have a responsibility to react and contribute to the growing and ever-present concerns and issues facing the global environment,” he said. “H2O Racing has a greater responsibility to its stakeholders, to the countries and people where it is involved and to support them in respect of their environment.

H2O Racing’s strong stance and conviction toward its Corporate Social Responsibility is underpinned by its actions and commitment to investing in high quality carbon reduction projects to make events carbon neutral and the belief that the right to water is an inalienable individual and collective right.

H2O Racing’s Environmental Sustainability Programme has, over the last four years, been gathering momentum and this year Nicolò di San Germano and the company has set an ambitious target for all its stakeholders, local organisers, teams, competitors and sub-contractors to embrace, and has calculated the carbon footprint and is now instigating a carbon management strategy to offset as much as possible to try to reduce its impact on the environment.

In 2016 the UIM-ABP Aquabike and UIM H2O Nations Cup Grand Prix of Shanghai became the first events across both the sporting categories to take place in the People’s Republic of China to be declared carbon neutral, offsetting 545,000kgs of CO2 emissions by planting 730 trees in Kenya, followed by the UIM FIH2O Grand Prix of Sharjah offsetting 403,200kgs of CO2 emissions planting a further 540 trees.

More recently the lead taken and the example set by H2O Racing has been fully embraced, not only by the organisers of FIH2O Grand Prix in England, France and Abu Dhabi, all offsetting their carbon footprints,

but by Aquabike riders Joana Graça, Emma-Nellie Ortendahl, Lisa Caussin Battaglia, Andrzej Wisniewski, Gabor Szabo and Christophe Agostinho who, since 2017, have offset their seasons’ carbon emissions and have been awarded the status of ‘UIM Carbon Neutral Rider’.

H2O Racing has taken the lead and the overwhelming support it is getting is clear to see as the momentum builds as it encourages all to take responsibility for their actions and to make a difference.

To achieve its target of building a strong carbon neutral and offsetting strategy, H2O Racing has implemented a Health, Safety and Environmental Department, which will evaluate every CO2 footprint for all parties and individuals and, on a voluntary basis, will offer the opportunity to offset and become a ‘UIM Carbon Neutral Player’.

To date, 2,013,014 kgs of CO2 emissions have been offset by the planting of 4,338 trees in Africa, South east Asia and Central America, proactively entering into partnership with Treedom, the only platform in the world where you can have someone plant a tree for you and can follow it online as every tree is photographed and geo-localized.

The mantra is clear: we are stronger and can achieve more together, collectively.

H2O Racing’s carbon neutral strategy is very much in line with the strong direction on environmental responsibilities taken and implemented by Dr. Raffaele Chiulli, president of the sport’s world governing body, the Union Internationale Motonautique (UIM), and its close working relationship with the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP). “The Union Internationale Motonautique (UIM) governs all Powerboating disciplines and acknowledges that every activity conducted on water can make a difference in the fight against climate change. We are fully committed to promoting environmentally friendly practices which we hope will help to contribute towards solving some of the environmental challenges of today, particularly those involving the unsustainable use of energy resources. We do encourage more of these efforts favouring the protection of the environment which result in a reduction of the environmental footprint in all types of motorboating activities.”

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## UIM AQUABIKE CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS

### JOANA GRAÇA



“It’s with great pleasure that I see that Aquabike wants to continue with this important matter that relates to all of us. Since we are in a sport that uses fossil energy and has a lot of CO2 emissions I am very aware of the importance of payback to Mother Nature what we do. Last year my Team, FlyJet, planted 17 trees in a forest in Kenya.

“This year we made some changes in the way we want to see ourselves, green team, and planted in a two acre field we have near our home 20 trees, including fruit trees. We are also the proud owners of six Bee Hives, as you know are the primary animal responsible for plant reproduction. We produce our honey and it’s totally organic with no chemicals. We have also a big vegetable garden where we have some veggies. Recycle it’s mandatory of course.

“I know that probably it’s not enough but I think we do our share on protection of Mother Nature.”

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### LISA CAUSSIN-BATTAGLIA

“I decide to become a ‘carbon neutral rider’ because I think it’s very important to show the example for our sport, and it’s very important for me and for my principality (MONACO) to go in this way.

“I would like that all the pilots do the same thing, it will be great for our sport and it will show an example for other mechanical sports.

“I try to do the best. I sort my waste (Monaco provides recycling bins). And I began to compensate Carbon Neutral three years ago with the Foundation Albert II for me and for all activities of my jet-ski club, Roca Jet Club, too.”

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### JONNA BORGSTROM & SOFIE BORGSTROM

“We believe becoming a Carbon Neutral rider will get more awareness of how our sport and lifestyle affects our environment. It is something that is important for the future and global warming is a really big question in Sweden. We sort waste, plastic, glass and recycle what is possible to recycle. We also try not to buy things and clothes if its not necessary. Joining H2O environmental sustainability program is a way for us to make another step in right direction. One person can not solve the climate issue but many people together can make a big difference.”



# UIM AQUABIKE CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS



## AXEL COURTOIS

I became involved in this project because just words are not enough. It is necessary to take action to back up the words. For my part and with the means I have I want to show that it is possible to make things happen, to make people realize that the issue is there and that it goes much further than my little world.

Offsetting my carbon footprint is the minimum that I can do. There is an urgent need to act!

I am proud to be a part of Freedom and the UIM-ABP Aquabike World Championship's environmental campaign. It addresses the issues and to take responsibility is the right approach.

## NAOMI BENINI

This is my first real season as a competitive racer and the idea of becoming a carbon neutral rider attracted me straight away. I find that this new initiative is extremely beneficial for our planet which, unfortunately, in recent years, has been suffering greatly from excessive CO2 emissions.

Furthermore, belonging to the emerging generation and, perhaps, for this very

reason I feel called upon to join this initiative to intervene in order to improve, albeit in my own small way, the conditions of our planet. Secondly, also of our sport, in which we are in close contact with nature and it's a real shame to see how over the years the seas and lakes are becoming damaged due to pollution.

Don't be pollute, be carbon neutral!



## BENEDICTE DRANGE



I decided to get involved in the Carbon Neutral Program, because I want to be a part of a change.

One person self can't do much, but if we are dedicated to built a community, we can take huge steps.

I want to step up and show that it's possible to have an action behind the words. Carbon emission is a serious ongoing worldwide problem, we need to make the change now.

And I want to be a part of it.

## JESSICA CHAVANNE

"Our sport is in direct contact with nature for which I feel a strong bond.

"We have the opportunity to offset our CO2 emissions. It seems to me essential to carry out this action to preserve our planet, but also for the image of our sport.

"If each of us made a small gesture, on a human scale it would be a giant step. That's why I want to do all that is possible for participate in the Aquabike "Carbon Neutral" mission."



# UIM AQUABIKE CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS



## JESSICA CHAVANNE

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: 2020

CO2 OFFSET: 10.077 KG

PLANTED TREES: 29



## PAOLO NUNES

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: 2020

CO2 OFFSET: 3.773 KG

PLANTED TREES: 11



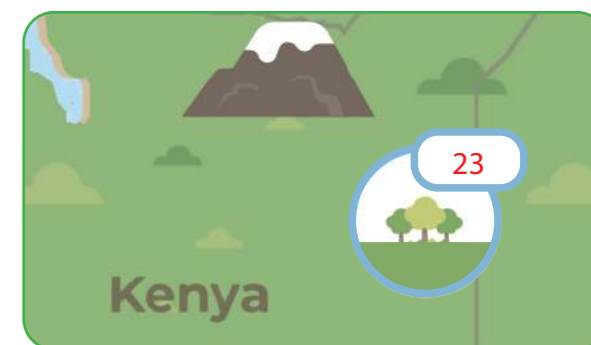
## JOANA GRAÇA

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: 2018

CO2 OFFSET: 9.648 KG

PLANTED TREES: 23



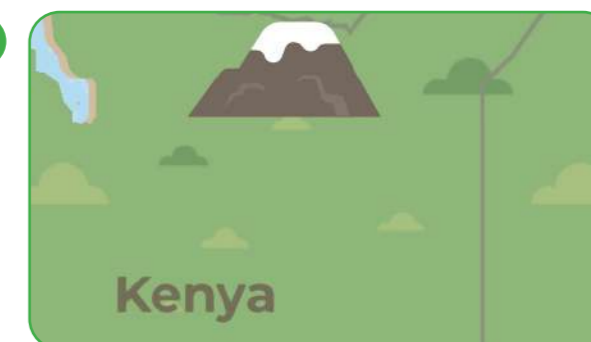
## EMMA-NELLIE ORTENDAHL

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: 2018

CO2 OFFSET: 14.540 KG

PLANTED TREES: 35



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## JASMIIN YPRAUS

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2020**

CO2 OFFSET: **9.959 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **28**



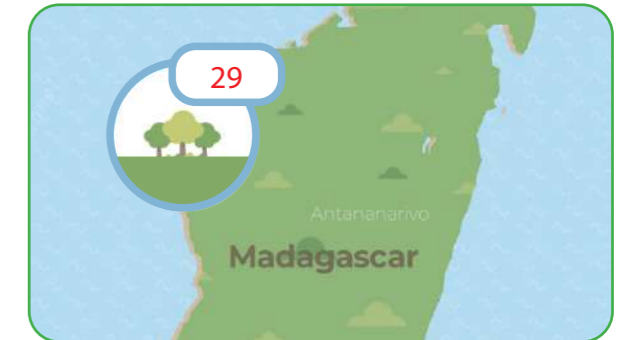
## JONNA BORGSTROM

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2020**

CO2 OFFSET: **9.993 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **29**



## AXEL COURTOIS

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2020**

CO2 OFFSET: **4.042 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **12**



## SOFIE BORGSTROM

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2020**

CO2 OFFSET: **9.993 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **29**



## VIRGINIE MORLAES

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2020**

CO2 OFFSET: **4.042 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **12**



## MATTEO BENINI

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2023**

CO2 OFFSET: **In evaluation**

PLANTED TREES: **In evaluation**



## ESTELLE PORET

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2023**

CO2 OFFSET: **In evaluation**

PLANTED TREES: **In evaluation**



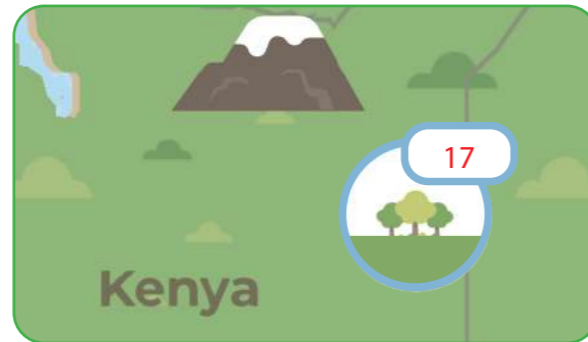
## LISA CAUSSIN-BATTAGLIA

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2018**

CO2 OFFSET: **5.891 KG**

PLANTED TREES: **17**



## NAOMI BENINI

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2024**

CO2 OFFSET: **In evaluation**

PLANTED TREES: **In evaluation**



## BENEDICTE DRANGE

COUNTRY:

CARBON NEUTRAL FROM: **2024**

CO2 OFFSET: **In evaluation**

PLANTED TREES: **In evaluation**

## PREVIOUS CARBON NEUTRAL RIDERS



**GABOR SZABO**  
COUNTRY:   
OFFSET: **29.328 KG**   
PLANTED TREES: **69**

**BARNABAS SZABO**  
COUNTRY:   
CO2 OFFSET: **12.631 KG**   
PLANTED TREES: **36**

**ANDRZEJ WISNIEWSKI**  
COUNTRY:   
CO2 OFFSET: **33.254 KG**   
PLANTED TREES: **83**

**CHRISTOPHE AGOSTINHO**  
COUNTRY:   
CO2 OFFSET: **23.201 KG**   
PLANTED TREES: **56**

**KRISTA UZARE**  
COUNTRY:   
CO2 OFFSET: **21.044 KG**   
PLANTED TREES: **1.170**



# H2O RACING SUPPORTS AFFORESTATION PROJECT IN SHARJAH DESERT

H2O Racing continues to embrace, develop and expand its environmental activities in collaboration with Sharjah Commerce and Tourism Development Authority (SCTDA) and the Environment and Protected Areas Authority (EPAA) to launch an ambitious afforestation project in the Emirate of Sharjah.



The initiative to afforest the desert in the El Mentether area forms part of SCTDA's efforts to support activities that protect national environmental resources and maintain their sustainability was launched at the season ending UIM F1H2O and UIM-ABP Aquabike Grand Prix during Sharjah World Championship Week in December 2019 and was repeated in December 2022 between the UIM F1H2O Grand Prix of Sharjah and the UIM F1H2O Grand Prix of Middle East.



In the presence of His Excellency Khalid Jasim Al Midfa, Chairman of SCTDA and H.E. Hana Saif Al Suwaidi, Chairperson of the Environment and Protected Areas Authority, several Aquabike Riders and F1H2O drivers together with H2O Racing representatives planted some trees in the desert (of types well known in the region, the Ghaf tree, the Arak and the Sidr), as a symbolic gesture to offset some of the CO2 emissions that the sport of power boating creates as a way of encouraging members of the wider community to do their bit towards a sustainable future for the planet in

general. "The initiative aims to restore the environmental balance in desert areas in the UAE in a way that enhances the preservation of the whole ecosystem. The afforestation scheme also plays a valuable part in counteracting the negative effects of carbon emissions while reducing desertification and contributing to the preservation of wildlife, especially rare and endangered animals and plants, thereby restoring some part of an ecological balance," said His Excellency Khalid Jasim Al Midfa.



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Tree Plantation in Shanghai 2025

Nicolò di San Germano said: "This is a project we have been involved in now for several years. Every person has a responsibility to react and contribute to the growing concerns and issues facing the global environment. At H2O Racing, we have a great responsibility to the countries and people where we are involved and to supporting them by respecting their environment."



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# MAKE A DIFFERENCE HELP SAVE LIVES



The H2O Racing 4 Africa fundraising campaign which was launched by H2O Racing founder Nicolò di San Germano in 2018 has resulted in establishing a first well being built the same year in Fer El Village in the Municipality of Gorom in landlocked Burkina Faso in West Africa. This initiative highlights H2O Racing's strong stance and conviction toward its Corporate Social Responsibility and follows its signing of the Water Manifesto in 1998. The 1998 Water Manifesto became a reference for all movements acting or wishing to act to promote access to water and states that 'this source of life belongs to all the inhabitants of the Earth in common' and the H2O Racing 4 Africa campaign

is fully and actively endorsing that message at all H2O Racing events across the world. "We are indebted in any way we can to help and support the belief that the right to water is an inalienable individual and collective right," said Nicolò di San Germano. "Our championships have relied on water since 1981. We fully respect and embrace it and this campaign is fundamentally about helping those who do not have access to a clean water supply. For this reason we want to build as many wells as possible where there is no water."



WELL N°1 = 100% - WELL N°2 = 100%

## H2O RACING 4 AFRICA

*Make a difference help save lives*

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**HELP US TO BUILD WELL N.3**



**“Embrace the opportunity - take the initiative - we are stronger together and can achieve more collectively”**

H2O Racing's carbon neutral strategy is very much in line with the strong direction on environmental responsibilities taken and implemented by the sport's world governing body, the Union Internationale Motonautique (UIM), alongside its close working relationship with the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP). "The Union Internationale Motonautique governs all Powerboating disciplines and acknowledges that every activity conducted on water can make a difference in the fight against climate change. We are fully committed to promoting environmentally friendly practices which we hope will help to contribute towards solving some of the environmental challenges of today, particularly those involving the unsustainable use of energy resources. We do encourage more of these efforts favouring the protection of the environment which result in a reduction of the environmental footprint in all types of motorboating activities."

*UIM President:  
Dr. Raffaele Chiulli*

## TARGET

To evaluate every CO2 footprint for all H2ORacing's partners, stakeholders, local organisers, teams, competitors, sub-contractors and individuals and on a voluntary basis offer the opportunity to offset and become a 'UIM Carbon Neutral Player'.

