Optional text for attendees about sustainable events.

**This text can be adapted for your event, if you require further information** **please get in contact with us!**

**Sustainability at UCL**

As climate change, resource depletion and biodiversity loss become critical, the world faces two possible futures, one where we solve these challenges and flourish, and one where we fail and millions suffer.

UCL knows that to change the future, we have to show that change is possible. That’s why we have committed to becoming zero carbon by 2030 and a single-use-plastic free campus by 2024.

To make this event sustainable we have implemented the following initiatives, but we need your help!

**Powered by Plants**

* All catering at this event is 100% [change depending on your order] vegetarian as part of UCL’s Powered by Plants campaign.
* If all departments at UCL switched to 100% vegetarian catering, UCL’s food emissions would be reduced by 40%, saving ~5,000 tonnesCO2 per annum, equivalent to taking 1,000 cars off the road. [For more information see here.](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/greenucl/ucl-powered-plants)

**Ditch the Disposables**

* Please bring your own reusable water bottle, cutlery and coffee cups to help us reduce plastic.
* Please bring your UCL staff card, this event will not have plastic name badges.
* See our [water fountain map](https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=17QbUB9hhin-2UHAqLUGqWRtlXss&ll=51.52402401260261%2C-0.13186003760529275&z=17) to find out where to refill your bottle.
* Forgotten your reusable cup? You can buy one at UCL’s cafés.

 [Talk to Hannah.biggs@ucl.ac.uk to borrow the portable water fountain for the front quad].

**Zero Waste to Landfill**

At UCL we don’t send any of our waste to landfill, and we currently recycle 65% of our waste. We want to increase recycling and we need your help!

Please use the correct bins:

* **Recycling bins:** all dry recycling e.g. paper, tins, cartons
* **Food bins:** all food e.g. bananas, bread, tea bags, meat
* **Waste bins:** Everything else e.g. chewing gum, coffee cups and food packaging including compostable/biodegradable packaging and contaminated tissues

**Travel**

* UCL has excellent public transportation links. Warren Street and Euston Station are the closest stations.
* UCL is located off of the cycle super highway 6 and there are cycle parking facilities across the university, [see this map](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/cycling/maps-and-facilities).
* If you are traveling from afar and cannot get the train please consider a lift sharing app and save money too!

**Further thoughts**

UCL is transitioning towards becoming more sustainable, if you have any thoughts or suggestions about how this event could be run more sustainably, please get in touch and let us know (include events contact detail).

**Optional extras**

**GET TWEETING! #ChangeWhatsPossible and @UCL**

Send a picture of yourself at UCL doing a sustainable action to be in the chance to win a UCL Keep Cup. Actions can range from eating vegetarian food to walking/cycling to UCL, to taking a moment to rest in our gardens.

**Save money**

Towards the end of the day UCL sells discounted meals that would otherwise go to waste on the app ‘Too Good To Go’. Please collect your meals from the New Refectory.