



## **Trócaire's Carbon Footprint Policy**

*'The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. It is my hope that this Encyclical Letter can help us to acknowledge the appeal, immensity and urgency of the challenge we face.'* - Pope Francis. *Laudato Si'* (23, 15)

Trócaire is committed to tackling climate change. Climate change is a barrier to global poverty reduction, so we always include climate and environmental considerations in our work overseas. We advocate for ambitious action on adaptation and mitigation at national and international levels, calling on governments to act in line with their responsibilities, and promoting sustainable lifestyle choices among our supporters. As an organisation that encourages others to reduce their carbon and environmental footprints, we must do the same.

With this Carbon Footprint Policy we respond to the call of Pope Francis in *Laudato Si'* by deepening our commitment to reduce our organisational impact on the climate and the environment, and strengthening our accountability, in particular to the women and men living in poverty in poor countries who are suffering most from the impacts of a climate crisis they have not contributed to.

### **As an organisation we commit:**

- To report on progress in our Annual Report and on the Trócaire website.
- To calculate annually the equivalent tonnes of carbon dioxide produced by our activities (our organisational carbon footprint).
- To set targets for reductions in our carbon footprint.
- To reduce our carbon footprint in priority areas and consistently identify areas for improvement.