

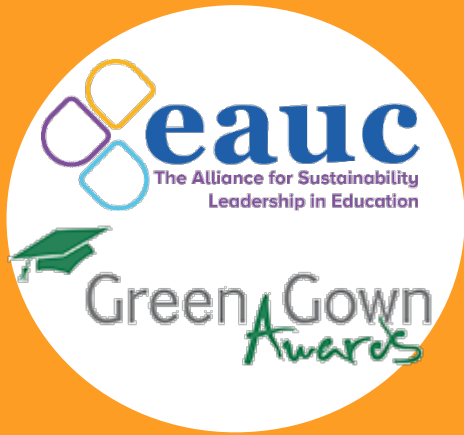
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Working together for a Climate Take Back



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5th


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25 years

25 Years of Sustainable Progress



Factory water use reduced

88%

since 1996

88%

Renewable energy globally



Waste to landfill reduced

91%

since 1996

100%

Renewable electricity in factories



Energy efficiency improved

44%

since 1996

58%

Recycled or bio-based materials



GHG emissions reduced

96%

since 1996

66%

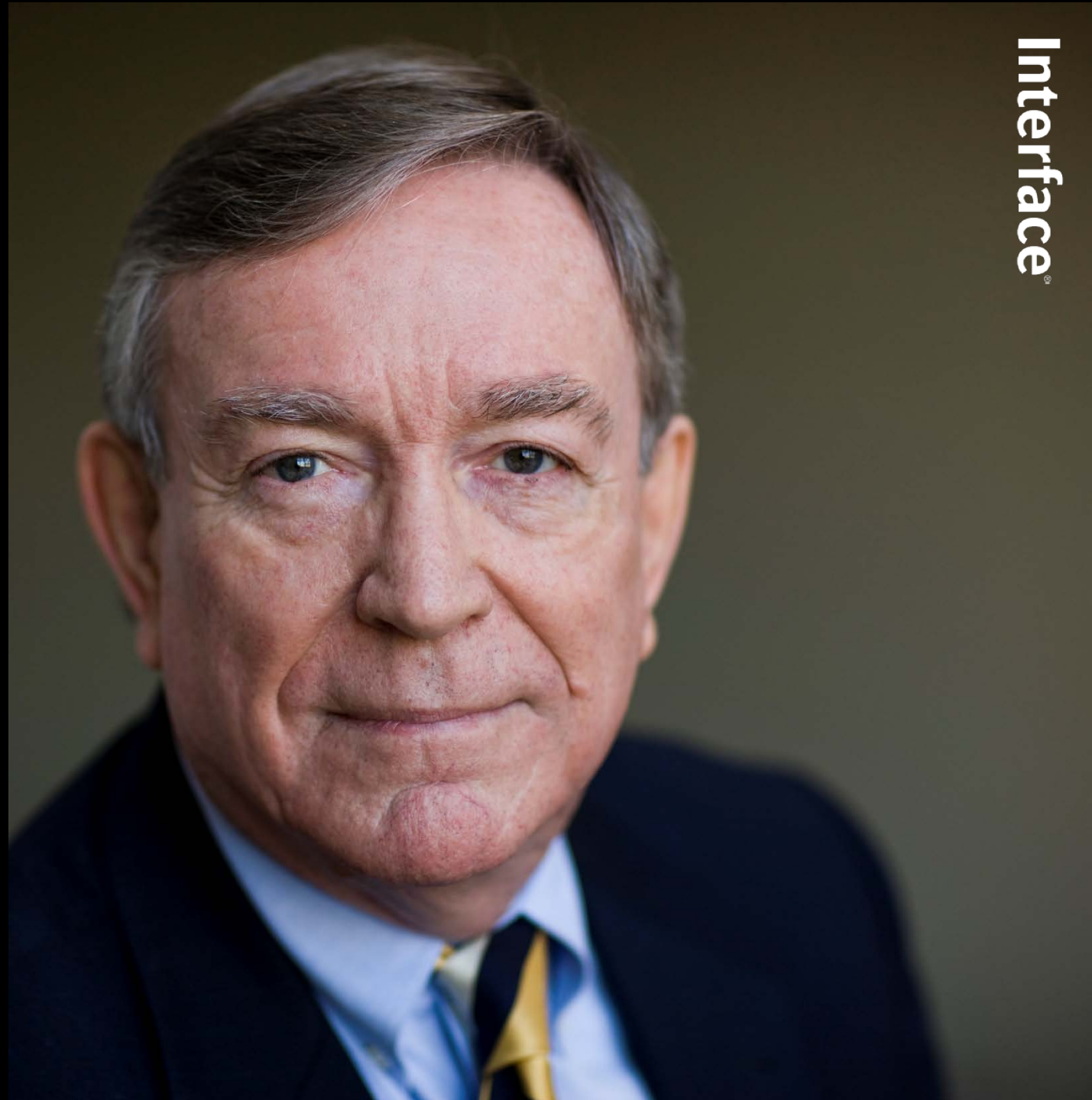
Product carbon footprint reduced



since 1996

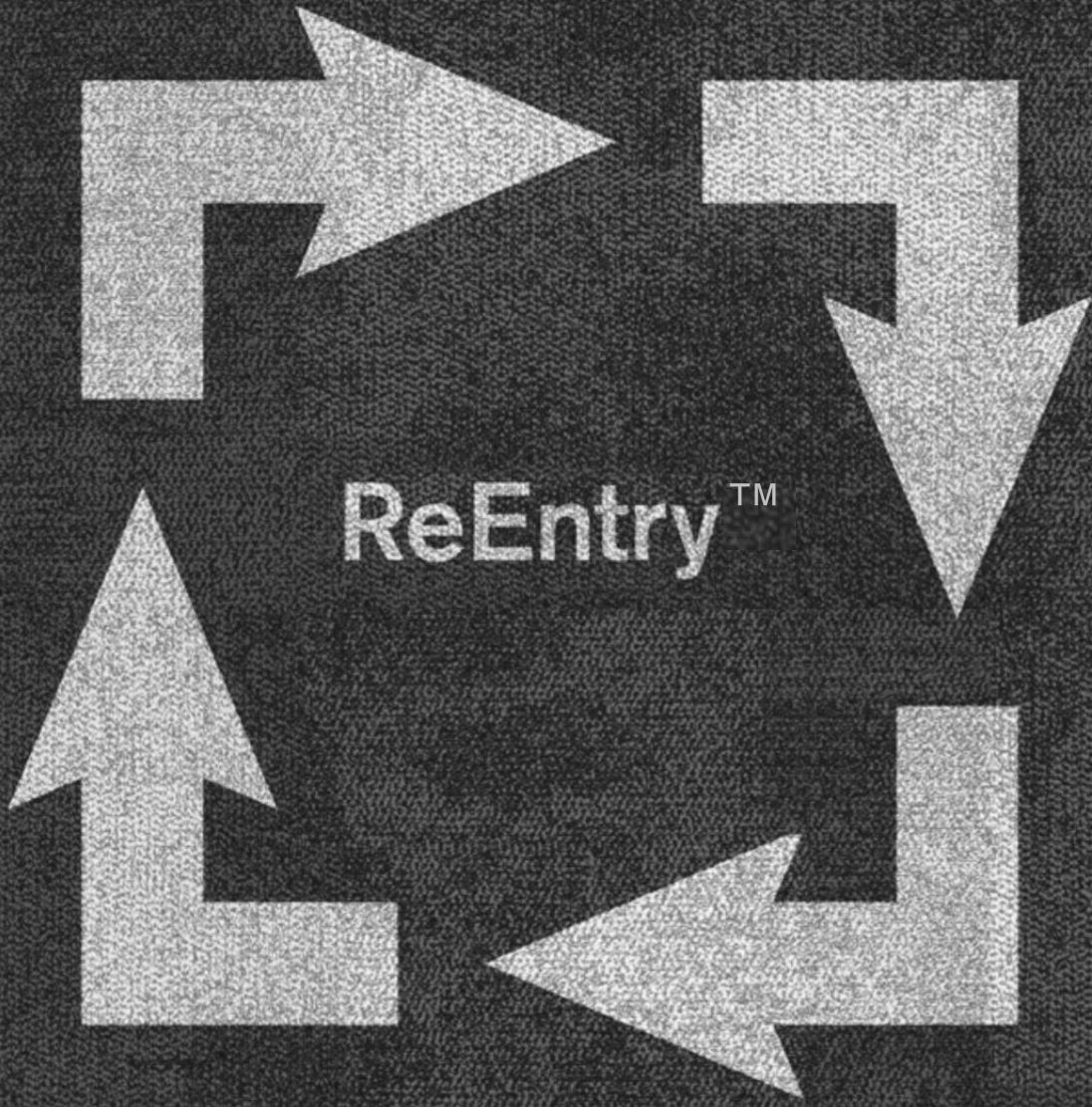
**“What’s the
business case for
ending life on
earth?”**

**Ray Anderson
(1934-2011)**





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TAKE BACK[™]



ReUse

Used as flooring again

RePurpose

Converting flooring to other products or services

ReCycle

Separating flooring into all component materials

ReCover

When absolutely necessary, we recover energy in a waste-to-energy facility

“I was disgusted. I resigned from the trade association, hired our own lobbyist, worked with Governor Brown and got the carpet recycling bill passed. And I am not a popular character in the flooring industry right now, but I can sleep at night.”

**Jay Gould
CEO at Interface**



Every flooring product. **Carbon Neutral.** No extra cost.

Achieving our ambitious goal of reducing our entire product line's carbon footprint means we are now in a position to offset the balance at no extra cost to our customers.





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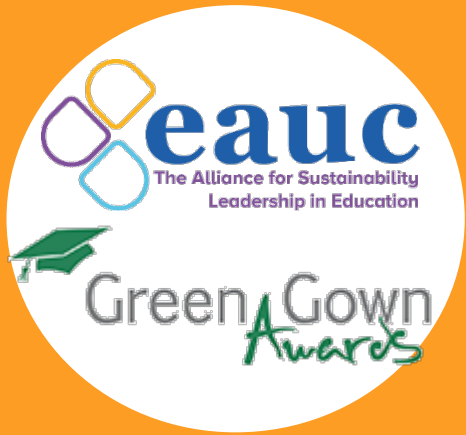
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Declaring or Decarbonising?

Strategies for tertiary sector climate action

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What's behind the positive profile?

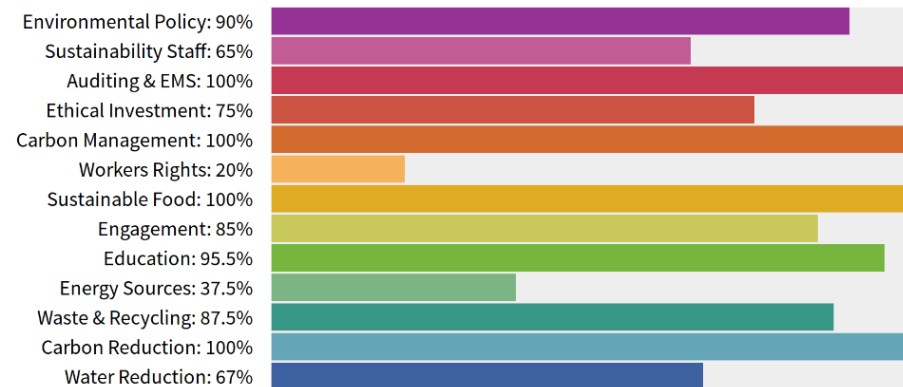


Performance so far – 46% drop since 2005:

- Sound policy and process
- Low hanging fruit – IT, Estates
- Tough space management
- Modest spec on new builds/refurbs
- Fossil fuel divestment achieved

1 University of Gloucestershire

Rank: 1 Total score: 80.6%



Killer questions:

- How much to offset?
- What pace can we go?
- How much can we do alone?
- What can we do to educate quickly?

What are our next step actions?

Internal/Institutional

- More renewables (CMP goal)
- SMT-led asset efficiency drive
- Technology/data-led solutions
- New carbon strategy for net zero

- Supporting student leaders
- Engaging governing body
- Communicating with staff



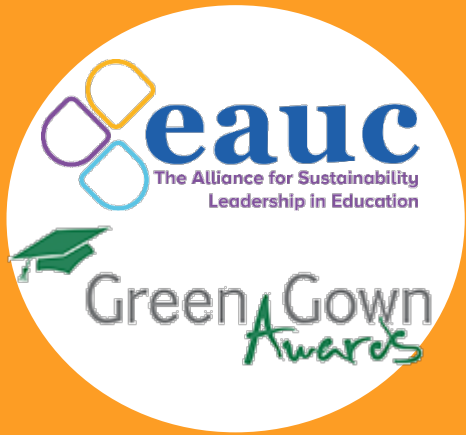
External/Regional

- Local policy and infrastructure (transport, air quality, food)
- Gloucestershire Energy Strategy (business group, youth panel)
- Partnership working (businesses and cultural institutions)
- Education and engagement (seminars, communications)

How can we harness student energy?

- **Climate change and environment remain the top global concern for 82% of young people**
(WEF, Global Shapers Survey 2017)
- **95% of climate experts and 91% of young leaders think we can achieve climate 'take back' to change our future**
(Interface, Climate Take Back Survey, 2017)
- **86% of 1000 millennials will stay at a company longer if it reports how it lowers its environmental impact**
(Brita, Next Generation Workplace Sustainability, 2019)





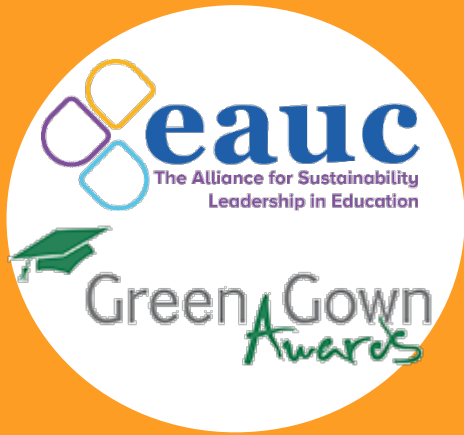
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Climate Leadership



- Climate Emergency
- Sustainability Commitments – includes targets, policies etc.
https://www.eauc.org.uk/sustainability_commitments
- Climate Emergency Framework – Think Tank input
<https://www.sustainabilityexchange.ac.uk/cef>
- Scope 3 - https://www.eauc.org.uk/scope_3_working_group
- Climate Commission for UK Higher & Further Education Leaders
https://www.eauc.org.uk/climate_commission
- Global Climate Letter - <https://www.sdgaccord.org/climateletter>
- Sustainability Leadership Scorecard -
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