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# **StudentsTravelGreen**

#### 1 What is it?

A contract in which parents, legal guardians or other sponsors promise to cover the extra costs for sustainable travel (e.g., public transport such as bus, train, cycle) over air travel for young people and students until the age of 25.

### 2 Why?

Sustainable travel is (sadly) still much more expensive than commercial travel. This affects young people in particular, who have the desire to see different places and travel sustainably. However, many student's and young people don't have the finances to afford the extra costs that travelling by train for example entails.

Young people need to decide between sustainability and travelling and this shouldn't be the case! Previous generations had travelled too, a lot, by plane, and without consideration to climate change. When they were students, they didn't have to live with the consequences of the damage that has been done to our planet and didn't have the responsibility of saving our planet.

But today, we do carry this responsibility and live with the consequences, all of us, our parents, and grandparents but most of all, the youngest generations, the students, and the young people of today. Young people can't just be denied travelling, but with the financial support of the last generation they can make a change in the ways we travel.

#### 3 How does it work?

Students and their sponsors sign a contract in which the student agrees to travel eco-friendly, and the sponsor on the other hand obliges to cover the extra costs for ecological transportation.

This contract can also be signed between students and grand-parents, or between any two parties who wish to commit themselves to sustainable travelling and one person is willing to provide financial support for the other one.

## 4 Campaign ideas

- Instagram, Facebook
- Umwelt Gruppe KZU
- Link to official form to print out

Add any comments or questions on this document until Monja, her parents and a growing group of supporters set something up.