

# Commitment to Environmental Sustainability



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## Goal

The purpose of the Global Infrastructure Hub's (GI Hub) Commitment to Environmental Sustainability is to ensure environmental sustainability is embedded at the operations, activities, and corporate governance levels of the organisation, enabled and supported by the development and implementation of appropriate policies and procedures.

The GI Hub aims to support the development of environmental sustainability and resilient infrastructure and to take all reasonable measures to limit the impact of our operations on the environment and steward our resources in a responsible manner.

To fulfil these requirements, the GI Hub aims to:

- Cultivate a more systemic approach to address environmental sustainability considerations throughout operations, programming and corporate plans.
- Promote and integrate environmental considerations in GI Hub business activities.

## Values

The GI Hub's Commitment to Environmental Sustainability is in line with our four organisational values:

- Integrity: we are committed to minimising our footprint and maximising our important role in promoting and achieving environmental sustainability in our own organisation and through the work that we do.
- Humility: we will look at and learn from the work of others, and use these lessons to make our workplace and work more environmentally sustainable.
- Collegiality: we acknowledge that delivering sustainable environmental outcomes will require a collaborative effort among our staff, with our partners, and with the broader community.
- Excellence: we will strive towards delivering the best practice environmental sustainability outcomes that we can and are committed to continuing to learn and improve as we go.

These values provide a foundation for the development of best practices to ensure environmental considerations are highlighted and integrated into the work of the GI Hub.

## Best practices to promote environmental sustainability at the GI Hub

To support our commitment to environmental sustainability, the GI Hub aims to:

### In our work

- Support and provide leadership to the G20 on quality infrastructure, which recognises the importance of climate resilience and environmental sustainability for infrastructure.
- Use our reach and influence, in collaboration with our partners, to highlight best practices and opportunities for improvements to help mainstream the environmental considerations in infrastructure planning, delivery and operations.



- Improve the capacity of stakeholders to integrate environment and climate considerations in infrastructure policies, design and implementation.
- Aggregate and analyse data to provide empirical evidence to support furthering the environmental sustainability agenda in infrastructure.
- Commit to support the climate finance agenda and supports its reform policies.

### **At the corporate level**

- Work to understand the sources of our resource impact and green-house gas emissions.
- Ensure we work closely with clients, suppliers, and other stakeholders to continually improve our business processes to minimise our impact on the environment.
- Undertake responsible resource management practices that aim to prevent pollution and reduce waste through digital distribution, limiting the consumption of consumables, engaging in recycling programs, utilising power and water-saving devices, investing in office plants to reduce stress and improve air quality and encouraging staff to commute to work in carbon-neutral ways.
- Foster the initiation and ownership of environmental activities by all our staff through education, thereby building a strong, environmentally aware business culture.
- Set environmental targets and objectives and monitor for improvement.
- Measure the impact of our initiatives on environmental factors.

### **Performance measurement**

- Address environmental issues in the review of the organisation's corporate plan, including its operations and activities, and integrate environmental considerations in the development of the annual business plan and reporting through annual and impact reports, which are subject to approval by the governance bodies.
- Ensure that the GI Hub's strategic and business planning and projects include a lens of environmental sustainability so that our work program reflects our commitments in this area and our impact is captured in our reporting.

**Metrics (to be achieved by the end of 2022)**

Objective
Produce at least one thought-piece, OpEd, blog post, seminar or podcast on environmental sustainability in infrastructure each year
Propose one initiative to each new Presidency that promotes environmental sustainability
Hold two seminars per year on environmental sustainability in infrastructure
Map the GI Hub's internal environmental impacts and identify potential opportunities for reduction
Coordinate at least one activity or initiative for staff that promotes environmental sustainability
Map and report environmental sustainability targets/progress in the annual report, impact report, and Board reports

Policies and commitments are reviewed annually to ensure that they meet our objectives and that they are fit for purpose.

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