

ASI Sustainability Policy

This Policy was adopted by the ASI CEO on 13 January 2019.

Introduction

The Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI) has sustainability at the heart of its mission. In addition to the ASI Certification program for the aluminium value chain, ASI as an organisation aims to integrate a philosophy of ‘common sense’ sustainability into its general activities.

Principle of this Policy

This policy:

- Identifies higher impact activities with potential sustainability impacts and mitigation approaches
- Provides guidance for internal decision-making by the ASI Secretariat
- Shares ASI’s commitments with its stakeholders.

It applies to the ASI Secretariat, who operate out of home or small offices in Australia, Canada, China, Germany, and the Netherlands.

ASI Activities and Mitigation of Sustainability Impact

Given ASI’s size and activities, the following are deemed relevant areas where ASI can seek to make a difference:

ASI Activities	Prevention and mitigation approaches
Business travel	Implement the mitigation hierarchy of avoid, reduce and offset: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make effective use of online teleconferencing for the majority of ASI governance, stakeholder and team discussions • Develop itineraries and meeting agendas that maximise the value from in-person meetings and other business travel • Use alternatives to air travel (such as rail) where possible and appropriate for cost and travel time • From January 2020, contribute to an accredited carbon offset program to mitigate GHG emissions for all flights by ASI Secretariat and participants provided with ASI travel support • Encourage other attendees at ASI events to contribute to accredited carbon offset programs to mitigate their own air travel
Events and workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When choosing venues, include sustainability as one of the evaluation criteria, alongside cost, safety and location • Seek catering that minimises use of single-use plates, cups or implements • Seek to reduce food waste • Ask for appropriate recycling stations and systems to be available to participants

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider increasing the number of vegetarian meals, taking account of dietary requirements specified by participants
Materials and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider sustainability as one of the evaluation criteria in procurement decisions • Re-use stock materials whenever possible, such as ASI banners, and badge lanyards (collect after events) • Deliver the vast majority of ASI documentation via the ASI website • If printed materials are required, opt for 100% recycled paper as appropriate and make sure not to over-order print runs to avoid remainder stock
Home offices	<p>Home offices by their nature avoid a daily commute. In addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put in place waste sorting and recycling systems in line with available local infrastructure • Minimise unnecessary printing • Manage energy needs efficiently • Seek renewable energy options where available • Use ASI's cloud-based collaboration platforms effectively • Use public transport or bicycle travel for local meetings if practical • Consider relevant sustainability issues when procuring goods and services

Engagement

This policy is available to all interested stakeholders via the ASI website. We will continue to consider team suggestions to improve our organisation's approach to sustainability and implement these where practicable.

Revision history

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