



FCA Process - Closing Plenary Session

May 14th, 2025

Agenda

#	Description	Duration	Speakers
1.	Housekeeping & Introduction	2 min	EY
2.	Survey Results	20 min	EY
3.	ISB updates	5 min	Secretariat
4.	Closing Remarks	30 min	TWG Members
5.	Thank you	3 min	EY and Secretariat

Housekeeping rules



- ▶ Please turn on your video and include your full name and company/organization in your Zoom display name
- ▶ All participants are requested to stay muted unless speaking (use the Raise Hand function to speak)



- ▶ This meeting **will be recorded** and made accessible to all TWG members on **SharePoint**. We encourage members who are **unable to attend to view the recording later**.



- ▶ We want to make **TWG meetings a safe space** – our discussions should be open, honest, challenging status quo, and ‘think out of the box’ to get to the best possible results for GHG Protocol. Always **be respectful**, despite contrasting discussions on content.
- ▶ TWG members should **not disclose any confidential information** of their employers, related to products, contracts, strategy, financials, compliance, etc.

Objectives of the survey

The **results of this survey** are not intended to **provide any final decision** but to **achieve the following objectives**:



- ▶ **Evaluate both methodologies** against the **GHG Protocol decision-making criteria** and **hierarchy**:
 - This ensures a **balanced assessment** of their **integrity, impact, and feasibility**



- ▶ **Identify areas of alignment or divergence** in **technical perspectives** across the TWG:
 - This **highlights** where there is **consensus** or **differing opinions among technical experts**




- ▶ **Quantify consensus, or lack thereof**, through **structured responses**:
 - This helps **inform strategic decision-making** within the **International Standards Board (ISB)**








- ▶ The **survey results** presented today are based on the **survey's closure at 12 noon CET**.
- ▶ For any individuals who **did not submit a response, clarification** must be provided on **whether they abstained**, else **their response** should be included before **the final summary** is presented to the **ISB**.

Survey results (1/6)

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Survey results (2/6)

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Survey results (3/6)

DM Criteria



2A - Support decision making that drives ambitious global climate action

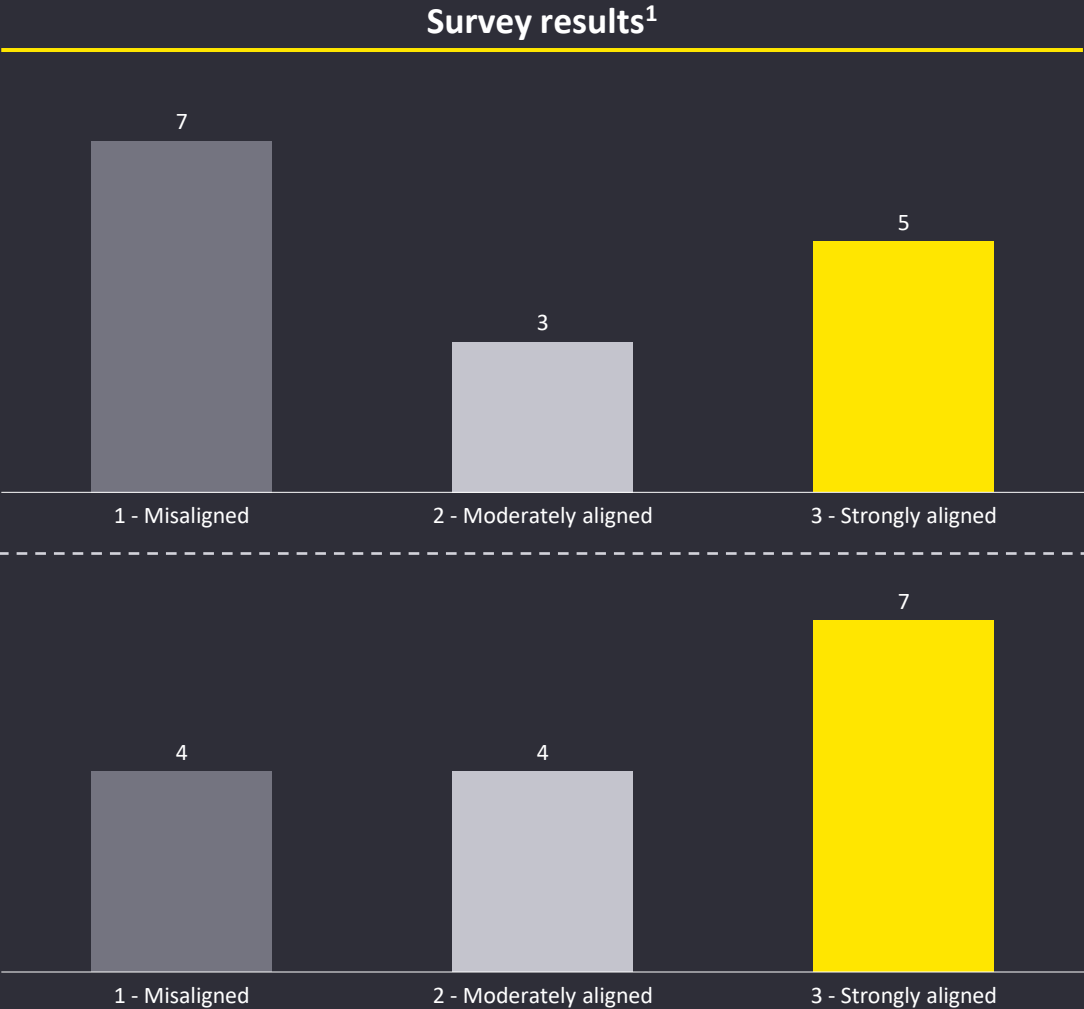
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7. How well does MLP+ align with global climate stabilization targets based on its accounting timeframe?




8. How well does ABA align with global climate stabilization targets based on its accounting timeframe?



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Survey results (4/6)

DM Criteria




2B - Support programs based on GHG Protocol and uses of GHG data

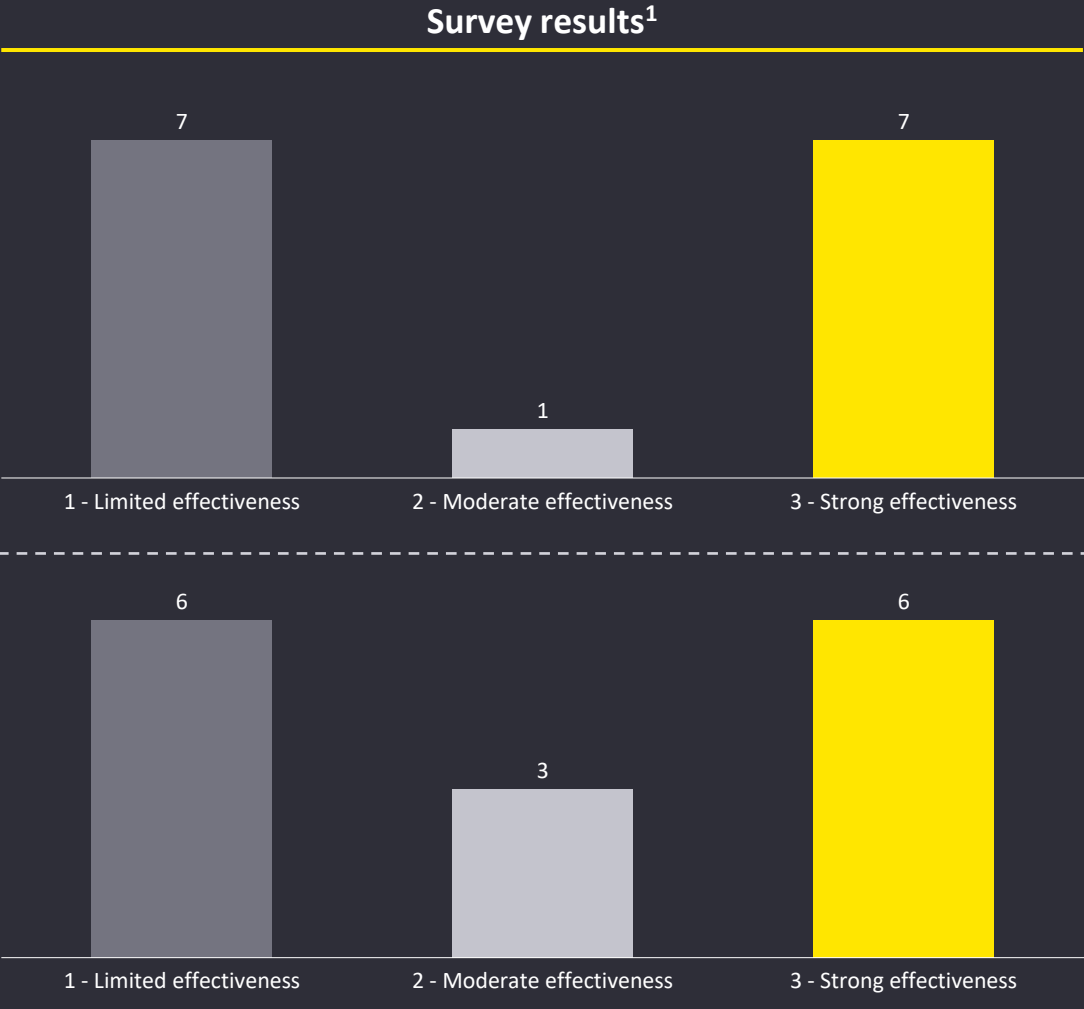
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9. How effectively does MLP+ support GHG Protocol programs and ensure proper use of its GHG data?








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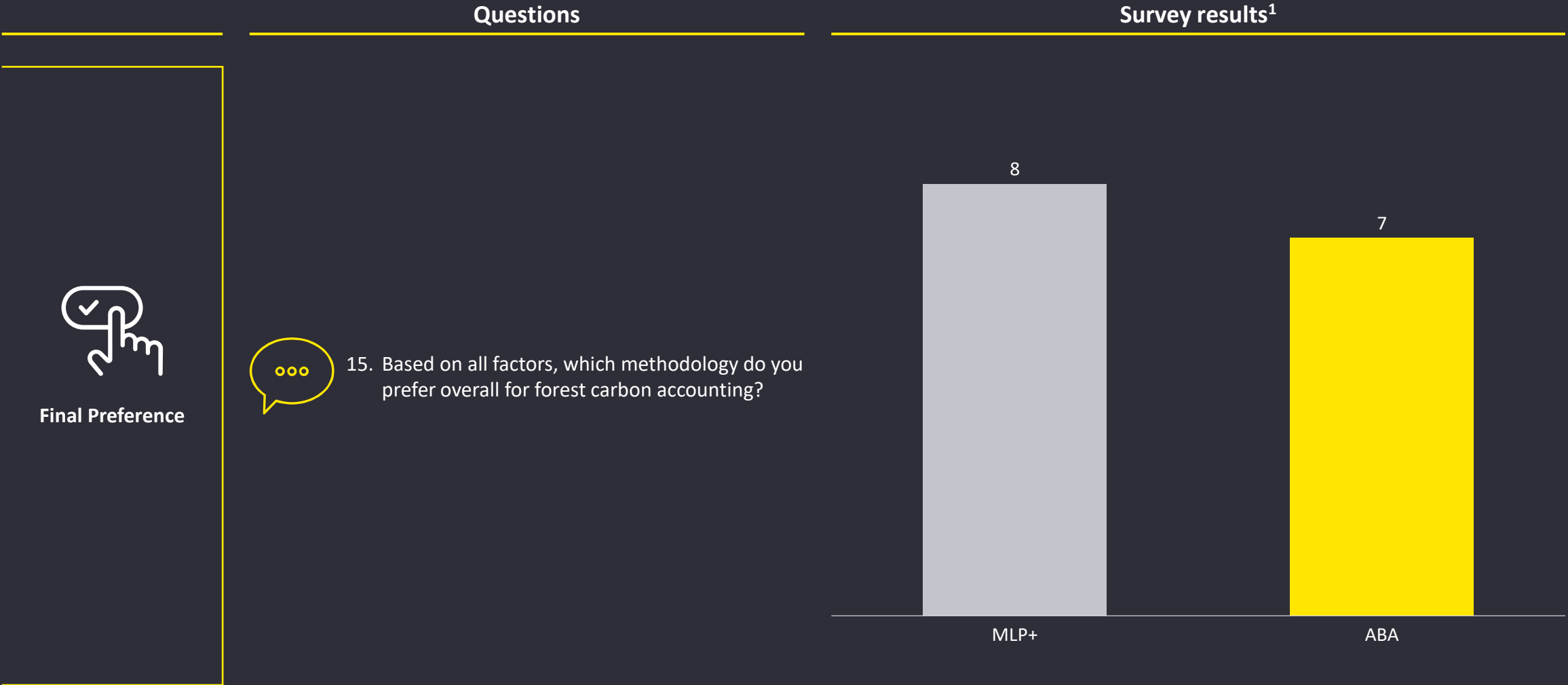
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Survey results (5/6)

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Materials for ISB members



ISB meeting



Required Reading



Recommended Reading



21 May – FCA Background

- ▶ **FCA** Proposal v1
- ▶ **ABA** quantification approach
- ▶ **MLP+** quantification approach
- ▶ Stakeholder letters from previous **LSR guidance** development process



17 June – Discuss Proposals

- ▶ **FCA** Proposal v2, including TWG members survey results
- ▶ **ABA** quantification approach
- ▶ **MLP+** quantification approach
- ▶ **External scientists'** perspectives on FCA issue
- ▶ **ABA authors'** perspectives on FCA issue
- ▶ **MLP+ authors'** perspectives on FCA issue



14 July – FCA Decision

- ▶ **Secretariat response** to any ISB requests

Reflections and Insights from our experts

We invite you to take **2 minutes** to share your **reflections and insights in response** to the **following questions**:



► What **facilitation methods** were most **effective** in our progress?



► What **challenges did we face**, and **how can we address** them in future **TWGs**?



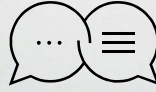
- How did **our collaboration impact** the **accuracy** of the **Forest carbon accounting process**?
- What **could** we have done **differently**?



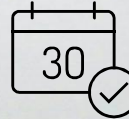
► What were **our groups key successes**, and how can **we build on them**?

Thank you to the TWG and Goodbye from EY

946 emails with 437
unique threads



10 hours of recording
converted to meeting
minutes



Proceedings: 8
months with the TWG

Brainstorming and
alignment calls with the
Secretariat: 90+



Coffees, late night and
early morning calls.... Too
many to count

Official hours put in by
EY: 986
Unofficial



Project Period: June
2024 to May 2025



Official meeting hours with
the TWG members: upto 16
hours

