

Independent Standard Board – Meeting #21 Summary

Date: 23 April 2026

Time: 08:00 – 11:00 ET / 14:00 – 17:00 CET

Location: Virtual

Attendees

Members

Alex Bassen, Chair
Anthony Cheung
Inhee Chung
Danny Cullenward
Pieter Gagnon
Suzanne Greene

Owen Hewlett
Stuart Jefford
Paul Munter
Heather Keith
Viola Lutz

Observing Entities

Alberto Carillo Pineda (SBTi)
Benoit Desforges (ISO)

Pedro Faria (EFRAG)
Amir Sokolowski (CDP)

GHG Protocol Secretariat

Hande Baybar
Pankaj Bhatia
Alejandra Bosh
David Burns
Elliott Engelmann
Chelsea Gillis
Iain Hunt
Oliver James
Melissa Landman
Michael Macrae

Ralf Pfitzner
Matt Ramlow
Yanet Rempening Saldivar
David Rich
Amir Safaei
Anna Stanley-Radiere

Agenda and Decisions

Item	Topic and Summary	Decisions
1	Welcome and Introduction The Chair welcomed all members and reviewed the agenda.	The ISB was not asked to make any decisions.
2	Forest Carbon Accounting Following some concerns recently raised by ISB members about the Forest Carbon Accounting (FCA) process, the Chair of the Steering Committee had commissioned an independent review of these concerns. The Steering Committee Chair and Vice-Chair joined a session	The ISB was not asked to make any decisions.

	in which the independent reviewer presented a summary of observations, findings and recommendations from their review of the FCA process to ISB members. Members had the opportunity to pose questions and discuss implications.	
3	<i>LSR Standard & ISO Partnership</i> The Land Sector and Removals Standard (LSRS) is not included in the original partnership agreement with ISO. ISO corporate and product standards include content that does not align with aspects of the LSRS. The Secretariat launched an exploratory process to start discussions between the two organizations on aligning these topics. The Secretariat provided members and observers with a summary of the Steering Committee-approved exploratory process, including safeguards to mitigate risks.	The ISB was not asked to make any decisions.
4	<i>Standard Development Plan Updates</i> The Secretariat presented the rationale for updating the Standard Development Plans (SDPs) for each workstream. The original SDPs were developed in 2024, prior to GHG Protocol's partnership with ISO. To better reflect the time necessary to integrate the ISO partnership into to the development process, the SDPs need to be updated. The Secretariat provided members and observers with options on how to update the SDPs to optimize work on consolidated, ISO-aligned corporate standards. Following a discussion, a pulse check was held. The results show that a majority of members support consolidation into a common workplan/timeline across workstreams. This recommendation will be provided to the SC for their consideration.	The ISB was not asked to make any decisions.
5	<i>Scope 2 Workplan</i> The Secretariat provided the ISB and Observers with options on how to sequence engagement with the ISB after the Scope 2 public consultation. The ISB provided their recommendations via a pulse check.	The ISB was not asked to make any decisions.
6	<i>All Other Business</i> AOB session was not held.	N/A
	Meeting adjourned at 11:00 ET / 17:00 CET	