

Donor Council – Meeting Minutes

Date: 23 June 2026

Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm GMT

Location: London, England

Attendees

Members *(Representatives in brackets)*

Apple (*Chris Busch*)

Cargill (*Greg Downing*)

Constellation (*Katie Ott*)

Deloitte (*Kristen Sullivan*)

Generation Foundation (*Chun Man Chow*)

Google (*Vrushali Gaud*)

KPMG (*Samantha Dick*)

PwC (*Nadja Picard*)

Guests

Tom Lorber (Children's Investment Fund Foundation)

GHG Protocol Governance Representatives:

Ovais Sarmad (GHGP Steering Committee, Vice-Chair)

Dominic Waughray (Co-Host Representative, WBCSD)

Craig Hanson (Co-Host Representative, WRI)

Excused:

Meta (*Devon Lake*)

GHG Protocol Secretariat

Tim Mohin

Anna Stanley-Radière

Karen Richards

Chris Musser

Agenda and Decisions

Item	Topic and Summary	Recommendations to the Steering Committee
1	<i>Opening, Words of Welcome, and Housekeeping</i> Anna opened by welcoming representatives of the Donor Council to the first meeting of 2026, thanking those members who could be present in person as well as those joining online. The meeting opened with reminders about what topics were within the remit of Donor Council discussion and which were not with respect to anti-trust rules, the Donor Council Terms of Reference, and the conflict-of-interest policy. Ovais, Craig, and Dominic expressed their thanks to members for their participation and continued support, reiterating how critical each member is to GHGP's success and how valuable their input continues to be. They similarly reminded everyone present how important GHGP is,	

	especially as reporting moves from voluntary toward mandatory, a sentiment shared by Donor Council members. Introductions to new Secretariat members were made, then to GHGP's inaugural CEO, Tim Mohin. Tim shared some information about his background, expressing his excitement to be part of the GHGP. He also invited members of the Donor Council to share their hopes in being part of the body. Members shared a number of considerations driving their membership, including: • Strategizing solutions to ecosystem fragmentation • Prioritizing discussions on implementation issues, highlighting the need for both credibility and pragmatism, the importance of adoption at both speed and scale • Offering knowledge expertise, recognizing the value behind diverse membership (strategy vs. accounting perspectives, different industries and backgrounds, regional considerations) Tim wrapped up this section by thanking everyone for their input, reiterating the importance of the body and its immense value to GHGP.	
2	<i>Secretariat Update</i> The Secretariat then shared a recap of major milestones and announcement from the last six months. Organizational milestones include: • Evolution of GHGP: hiring of first CEO, ongoing progression toward independence • Partnership with ISO: Joint co-branded standards to be published • Mandate from the COP30 Presidency to harmonize global carbon accounting standards jointly with ISO Standards milestones include: • Publication of Land Sector and Removals Standard • Conclusion of public consultation on Scope 2, with 1400 comments received • First request for information for new standard: Actions and Market Instruments • Creation of Joint Working Group for product standard; use case for CBAM being explored	
3	<i>Ecosystem & Partner Engagement</i> This section of the meeting opened with a general discussion about the evolution of the rapidly-changing ecosystem, including perspectives on GHGP's role within it. The consensus was that GHGP is considered foundational by the ecosystem, integrated in all processes and systems as well as underpinning global climate standards. Members highlighted again the value of the partnership with ISO and expressed a desire for GHGP to communicate even more around the progress it is making. They further shared their concerns around some potential risk of (re)-fragmentation, reminding that this does not serve anyone and underscoring the critical importance of collaboration.	Members of the Donor Council suggested GHGP engage even more proactively within the ecosystem, especially on the partnership with ISO.

	In this context, Members highlighted and welcomed efforts already underway to ensure coordination across the standard setting ecosystem - a key pillar of GHGP's strategy for the future and Tim's priorities as CEO, which would be discussed in more detail later. As the final part of this section, Karen shared more on the strategic considerations around communications for GHGP.	
4	<i>GHG Protocol Strategy and CEO Priorities</i> As new CEO, Tim provided some insights into his priorities and planned strategies. He focused on: • Institutional Maturity: The continued evolution of GHGP as an organization, including continued commitment to transparency and integrity. Further strengthening of the governance model and a multi-faceted approach to fundraising and revenue. • Further strengthening standards: Delivering credible updates that support both science and feasibility, fulfilling COP30 mandate and CBAM leadership through ISO partnership and harmonizing and coordinating with jurisdictional standards organizations and governments. • Engaging with stakeholders: Ensuring even more targeted engagement with users of GHGP and core partners from within the ecosystem.	Members of the Donor Council recommended GHGP be 'more forthright' with its external positioning and communications.
5	<i>Open Discussion</i> A brief discussion led to a shared agreement among participations that different jurisdictions will require different considerations on GHGP's part as related to partnerships and engagement – E.U. and Asia have different priorities and outlooks on climate action, which will require GHGP to be flexible and nuanced when working across the globe.	
6	<i>Other Business and Closing Remarks</i> The Secretariat prompted a closing roundtable, giving members the opportunity to weigh in on anything else they wanted to share. The discussions focused on: • Appreciation for the continued attention to good governance. Simultaneously, members noted the importance of not losing sight of the process during the busy evolution. • Recommendations for more communications and transparency around implementation and practical applications in the future. • Suggestions to expand Donor Council membership to include not only more industries and regions, but also to include stakeholders from the regulatory side. The meeting concluded with another thank you from GHGP, reiterating the value of the Council's advice and involvement. No other issues were raised, so the meeting concluded.	