

Sustainable Event Management Framework for Annual Meeting of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

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Purpose

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors is the flagship event of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB). It provides an opportunity to report on the Bank's work and receive guidance from shareholders on AIIB's strategic direction and activities. It also gathers and facilitates discussions among senior official delegates from AIIB Members, as well as partners, business leaders, civil society organizations and experts from a range of fields.

Environmental and social sustainability is a fundamental aspect of AIIB's support for infrastructure development and enhanced interconnectivity. In its effort to reduce the environmental impact of the AIIB Annual Meetings, AIIB launched a framework — the *Act Green Together* (AGT) initiative — for integrating sustainability practices into the event management cycle. The AGT draws on international best practices, including ISO 20121 Event Sustainability Management Systems (ESMS), and adapts them to the local context of the host member.

As co-organizer of AIIB's Annual Meeting, the host member integrates sustainability practices into all stages of the Annual Meeting — from planning to implementation, considering the economic, social and environmental impact of the event. Additionally, key stakeholders are encouraged to adhere to these practices during the event.

In advancing any sustainable event, AIIB adheres to four sustainable development values: **Stewardship, Inclusivity, Integrity** and **Transparency**. AIIB remains committed to driving initiatives that enhance economic, social and environmental impacts, meet stakeholder needs and expectations.

Key components of sustainable event management

Guided by the AGT initiative, AIIB focuses on the following four key components of its event sustainability management:

- **Commitment to organizing a sustainable event.** AIIB is committed to leading sustainable events, from planning to post-event review, by adopting and sharing best practices. It follows an internationally recognized sustainable event management system, implementing environmentally sustainable practices where applicable. AIIB also complies with the host member's requirements and respects diversity in applying environmental, social, and economic sustainability.

- **Minimizing the Environment and Social Impacts of the Event.** AIIB collaborates with the host member and key stakeholders to minimize the environmental and social impacts of the Annual Meeting and offset any residual emissions.
- **Engaging participants in a sustainable meeting.** AIIB ensures stakeholder engagement based on the values of Stewardship, Inclusivity, Integrity, and Transparency throughout the event management cycle. AIIB promotes sustainability by sharing best practices with Annual Meeting participants and encouraging green behaviors throughout the event. It also fosters a positive sustainability legacy within the supply chain.
- **Enhancing cooperation and communication.** AIIB believes that greater involvement and communication from more stakeholders can promote the sustainability concepts of the Annual Meeting to a wider audience and contribute to a better future.

AIIB makes this Sustainable Event Management Framework readily available to all stakeholders, ensuring its integration into Annual Meeting operations and decision-making processes. AIIB further ensures that all personnel involved in the Annual Meeting preparation and implementation, including those of AIIB, the host member, and supporting stakeholders, understand the environmental consequences of their event management choices and can contribute to enhance sustainability at every stage.