

NGO Supporter Commitments and Benefits

Commitments

A core principle of membership in the NGO Supporter Network is a commitment to the Gold Standard's vision of climate security and sustainable development for all, and the Gold Standard's mission to catalyse more ambitious climate action to achieve the Global Goals through robust standards and verified impacts.

Members of the Gold Standard NGO Supporter Network commit to endorsing the Gold Standard's approach to quantifying and certifying climate and sustainable development impacts. The NGO Supporter should promote the use of Gold Standard's frameworks, products, and services to its stakeholders.

Becoming an NGO Supporter does not require any financial commitment. It does not preclude an organisation from recognising another standard or project type, nor from critiquing Gold Standard or its projects.

Benefits

A key benefit of membership of the NGO Supporter Network is the ability to provide ongoing input to the Gold Standard on its strategy. While the NGO Supporter Network serves in an advisory or consultative capacity only, the views of NGO Supporters often carry substantial weight in decision making by the Gold Standard Secretariat. All NGO supporters will join our network engagement platform, which enables its NGO members to benefit from active participation, tools, networking and profiling opportunities, including but not limited to: custom consultations, opportunities to engage with other NGO Supporters, reduced rates to Gold Standard events, and access to Gold Standard project documentation during specified review periods. The Gold Standard reserves the right to amend these benefits at any time at its sole discretion.

Additional Terms

Members of the NGO Supporter Network acknowledge that the Gold Standard has established prestige and good will. Each member must ensure that it maintains the high standards and reputation of the Gold Standard. The Gold Standard reserves the right at any time and at its sole discretion to remove a member from the NGO Supporter Network if the Gold Standard reasonably believes that (i) the member has failed to safeguard the brand, reputation, or good will of the Gold Standard, or (ii) there is a conflict of interest or other circumstance that threatens to damage the brand, reputation or good will of the Gold Standard.