

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

The earth's environment is under severe stress from inappropriate human activity threatening the survival of ecosystems and human society.

The Alliance is committed to not only promoting environmental stewardship and sustainability but also to the promotion of rapid and large-scale re-greening across the developing world.

The Alliance is committed to preserve and promote the environmental sustainability of the planet, at all levels of its operations - in its internal operations, in agreements with partners, as a participant in a community of practice and as a participant in Australian and international social discourses.

The Alliance aspires to minimise its impact on our environment and maximise the effective use of resources. We strive to achieve this by increasing communication and awareness of our efforts in accordance with this policy and fostering responsible environmental behaviour amongst partners, staff, volunteers, and users at all levels.

The Alliance is committed not only to complying with applicable law in all of its operations but to minimise risks and impacts through the development of robust and documented systems to implement, measure, monitor, and disseminate excellent environmental performance both within its operations and to the broader community.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to:

1. Integrate a philosophy of sustainable development in all the organisation's activities and to establish and promote sound environmental practice in both our field and internal operations.

SCOPE

This policy applies to Board Members, staff/volunteers and all representatives of the Alliance. It will be extended to all implementing partners by MOUs/Partnership Agreements.

POLICY

The Alliance commits itself to minimising its impact on our environment through:

- providing a safe and healthful workplace;
- having an environmentally sustainable aware culture, where responsibility is assigned and understood;
- being an environmentally responsible neighbour in our community;
- conserving natural resources by reducing consumption, reusing and recycling;
- using, in our own operations, processes that minimize adverse impacts on the environment;
- ensuring the responsible use of energy throughout the organisation;
- participating in efforts to improve environmental protection and understanding;
- taking steps to improve environmental performance continually;
- conducting rigorous audits, evaluations, and self-assessments of the implementation of this policy;
- working with suppliers who promote sound environmental practices;
- enhancing awareness among our employees, volunteers and users – educating and motivating them to act in an environmentally responsible manner;
- requiring implementing partners to sign partnership agreements which include commitment to environmental sustainability and monitoring for adverse environmental impacts in the programs developed with the Alliance.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

GEA Ethical Procurement Policy

GEA Programme Design Policy

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