



BIC Sustainability and Environmental Data Reporting Project Part 2

Project update: February 2026

Current project status: **Green – 22.0% completed**

Summary of current position:

- The Task and Finishing Working Group (T&FWG) held one meeting in February,
- The T&FWG decided that once we had all the possible carbon reporting data, they would calculate what percentage of the books published this represented. Then we would write the narrative around that to explain what had been done,
- The T&FWG agreed to see if they could gather more CO₂e data from some of the smaller publishers,
- The T&FWG decided that they needed to define the boundaries of the project a bit more, since a lot of the measurement techniques for measuring CO₂e have changed over the course of the project,
- The project consultant would talk to the BIC Executive Director about pulling a list of publishers so the T&FWG can work out what percentage of the industry we are covering with the data the project has collected,

Initial Deliverables Achieved to Date:

- The Publishing Declares spreadsheet has been filled with the following results:
 - There are 130 publishers on the list, of these,
 - Six are providing data around Scopes 1, 2 and 3 as a combined score
 - Eight are reporting on Scopes 1 and 2,
 - Of those eight only five are reporting on Scope 3
 - There are 21 production and supply organisations on the list, of these,
 - One is providing data for Scopes 1, 2, and 3 and as a combined figure.
- The project started again after a long break due to the EUDR work completed in 2025.

Next steps:

- T&FWG to redefine the boundaries of the project, as the method of measuring CO₂e has changed
- Obtain a list of publishers and their share of the market to calculate the projects CO₂e for the publishing who have provided data.

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