



BIC Sustainability and Environmental Data Reporting Project Part 2

Project update: March 2026

Current project status: Green – 22.0% completed

Summary of current position:

- The Task and Finishing Working Group (T&FWG) did not meet in March,
- 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 BIC Executive Director is waiting on approval to use a list of publishers and their market share. Once this has been received the project will move forwards.

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:

- Obtain approval to use 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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