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SBTi Technical Council Meeting Minutes

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On-line meeting

Public minutes

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Abbreviations:

CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CFE	Call for Evidence
CTO	Chief Technical Officer
CNZ	Corporate Net-Zero
CoC	Code of Conduct
EACs	Environmental Attributes Certificates
EAG	Expert Advisory Group
EWG	Expert Working Group
FI	Financial Institution
FINT	Financial Institutions Near-Term
FINZ	Financial Institutions Net-Zero
OC	Oversight Committee
O&G	Oil and Gas
RECs	Renewable Energy Certificates
SAG	Scientific Advisory Group
SBT	Science Based Target
SBTi	Science Based Targets initiative
SOP	SBTi Procedure for Development of Standards v1.0
TAG	Technical Advisory Group
TC	Technical Council
TD	Technical Department
ToR	Terms of Reference

Meeting participants

Technical Council Members

Kornelis Blok (Chair)
Laura Draucker (Vice Chair)
Owen Hewlett (Session 1,2,3,4,5)
Michael Gillenwater (Session 1,2,3,4)
Anders Bjørn
Pedro Faria
Nicole Roettmer
Pankaj Bhatia
Steven Davis
Doreen Stabinsky (Session 4,5,6,7)

Absent TC members

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Mona Karraoui (Head of Quality)
Piera Patrizio (Head of Research)
Humphrey Adun (SME, research)
Sophie FitzGerald (Research Partnership Lead)
Eoin White (Research Lead)
Alice Tegami (Energy Sector Lead)

SBTi Observers

Emma Watson (Head of Corporate Standards)
Karl Downey (Head of Sector Standards)
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Parker Caswell (Senior Associate, Sector Standards)
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Session note takers

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Meeting Agenda

Session 1: Welcome and Agenda

Session 2: Technical Department Update

Session 3: Standard Architecture

Session 4: Assets Decarbonization Plan

Session 5: Corporate Net-Zero Methods, Metrics and Pathways (MMPs)

Session 6: Power Sector Standard Criteria

Session 7: Closing

Meeting Objectives:

The Technical Council (TC) convened to:

(i) receive a high-level update on the Technical Department's current workplan and ongoing procedural development;

(ii) discuss the proposed architecture for the Corporate Net-Zero Standard and related resources, with a focus on usability and coherence across materials;

(iii) review the Asset Decarbonization Plan as a potential target-setting approach relevant to ongoing standards development;

(iv) discuss methods, metrics and pathways relevant to the Corporate Net-Zero Standard;

(v) review further refinements to the Power Sector Standard draft criteria for second public consultation; and

(vi) confirm immediate next steps and forward planning.

High-level summary of feedback and decisions:

The following summarizes the key feedback discussed during the meeting and related decisions or actions agreed during the meeting:

I. Welcome and Agenda

The Chair opened the meeting, introduced the agenda, and invited any additional agenda items; none were raised. The Chair also confirmed that the meeting would be recorded and invited objections; none were raised. Chair asked if any Conflict of Interest should be raised regarding the agenda items; none were raised.

II. Technical Department Update

The Secretariat provided a high-level update on the Technical Department's workplan, including ongoing standards work, procedural development needs, and Technical Council

forward planning. The update also included a brief note on the Technical Council recruitment process and broader efforts to strengthen the supporting governance framework as work continues across multiple standards-related activities.

III. Standard Architecture

The Secretariat presented a proposed architecture for the Corporate Net-Zero Standard and related resources, aimed at improving usability and making the overall system of materials easier to navigate. Discussion focused on how to better organize requirements and supporting content so that users can more easily identify what is relevant to their circumstances, while maintaining coherence across the wider standards framework.

The TC also discussed the role of supporting materials and the importance of maintaining clear links between more specific pathways or methods and the wider analytical basis from which they are derived. Members were supportive of efforts to make the resources more modular and user-friendly while preserving transparency and technical integrity.

IV. Decarbonization Approach Discussion

The Secretariat Technical Department Research Team presented an exploratory proposal related to potential approaches for supporting decarbonization in certain contexts. The discussion focused on its overall credibility, usability and possible implementation considerations, including its relevance to transition planning and the importance of maintaining appropriate safeguards.

The TC noted that the proposal would require further development and clarification before any future consideration. Members agreed that the topic could be revisited at a future meeting as part of ongoing discussions.

V. Corporate Net-Zero Methods, Metrics and Pathways

The Secretariat presented further work on methods, metrics and pathways relevant to the Corporate Net-Zero Standard, with discussion focusing particularly on power-sector pathway design considerations. The TC discussed issues relating to methodological robustness, regional applicability, sustainability considerations, and how best to balance nuance with clarity and defensibility.

The discussion highlighted the importance of ensuring that pathway design choices are well explained and supported, and that any refinements remain consistent with the broader analytical basis used across the standards framework. The Secretariat was asked to continue refining the approach and return with updated proposals.

VI. Power Sector Standard Criteria

The Secretariat presented further work on methods, metrics and pathways relevant to the development of the Corporate Net-Zero Standard, including work related to the power-sector pathway. The TC discussed a range of methodological considerations, including scientific robustness, regional applicability, and clarity of guidance for companies.

The Secretariat will continue to develop this work and will return with outcomes of further research in due course.

VII. Next Steps

The Secretariat confirmed the immediate forward plan for upcoming Technical Council work and noted the continuation of preparations for the next review cycle. Members were also reminded of arrangements for the forthcoming in-person meeting.

The TC also received a brief update on the ongoing Technical Council recruitment process.



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