

IMPACT REPORT 2020

IEMA - the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment - is the global professional body for everyone working, studying or interested in the environment and sustainability. This impact report sets out our 2020 positive contribution towards a sustainable future and how we're managing our own environmental footprint.

OUR CEO



Sarah Mukherjee joined IEMA as CEO in June 2020. She was the BBC's Environment Correspondent for many years, presenting on national and international BBC radio and television news, working – and winning awards - across the world. Since leaving the Corporation, she has had leadership roles in utilities and agriculture. She was a panel member for the National Parks Review and sits on the National Food Strategy Advisory Panel.

She is a Trustee of the Woodland Trust and a governor of Harper Adams University. Sarah has been a Campaign for Real Ale beer judge and a rugby reporter in the past - two activities she still enjoys - and is a runner and yoga addict.





# The Membership

A recognisable mark of excellence

MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW



We ended the year with a record number of members across the world. We enhanced support for members and we successfully renewed our licence to award Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv). We also became licensed by the Society for the Environment (SocEnv) to award the new Registered Environmental Practitioner (REnvP) designation.

IEMA's partnership team focused on organisations looking to build capability within their business. Consistent feedback showed that IEMA's competency framework is the chosen standard for professional development.

Notable household names became partners including M&S, Lego, BAE Systems & Scania GB. Public sector partners grew with HMRC, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Justice, Department for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) joining.

IEMA training and development drove the international reach of our partners' network through e-virtual learning techniques, allowing candidates to be trained on IEMA approved programmes globally.





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MEMBERSHIP OVERVIEW

#### Resources

- Interview about IEMA Training at Network Rail
- <u>Corporate Partners new</u> <u>sustainability strategy</u>
- Find your training course
- IEMA Environmental
  Sustainability Skills for the
  Workplace Workforce

- Corporate Partnerships
  Programme
- IEMA Sustainability Skills Map
- Path to Chartership

MEMBERSHIP RESOURCES





#### **Our Statistics**

IEMA individual membership grew from 15,454 at the end of 2019, to 16,535 at the end of 2020. That's an increase of 7%



#### Breakdown of members per level



MEMBERSHIP BREAKDOWN



**MEMBERS STATISTICS** 

Number of professional members 11,021

Number of people who upgraded 316

Number of exams we've processed 2,287

Number of people on a specialist register 691

Practitioner application turnaround time reduced by 47% and Full applications reduced by 12%



1,640 CEnv members. IEMA has the most CEnvs registered of any licensed body and registers most CEnvs on an annual basis.



# Our Partners

MEMBERSHIP COUNTRIES

TRAINING CENTRES

REGIONS

UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

CORPORATE PARTNERS



#### **Membership Countries**

Fiji Albania Antiqua and Barbuda **Finland** Argentina France Armenia Germany Australia Ghana Gibraltar Austria Azerbaijan Greece Bahrain Guyana Bangladesh Hong Kong Barbados Iceland India Belgium Bermuda Indonesia Botswana Iraq Ireland Brazil Isle of Man British Indian Ocean Territory

British Virgin Islands Israel
Brunei Darussalam Italy
Bulgaria Ivory Coast

Cameroon Jamaica
Canada Japan
Cayman Islands Jersey
Chad Jordan
Chile Kazakhstan
China Kenya

Congo The Republic of Korea

Côte d'Ivoire Kuwait Latvia Cyprus Czech Republic Lebanon Lithuania Denmark Egypt Luxembourg Eritrea Malaysia Estonia Malta Ethiopia Mauritius



#### IEMA is a global organisation with members in 112 countries.

Qatar

Taiwan

Thailand

Mexico Morocco Mozambique Myanmar Namibia Netherlands New 7ealand Nigeria Norway Oman Pakistan Peru Philippines Poland Portugal Puerto Rico

Romania
Russia
Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saudi Arabia
Seychelles
Sierra Leone
Singapore
Slovakia
South Africa
Spain
Sudan
Sweden
Switzerland

Tunisia
Turkey
Turks and Caicos Islands
Uganda
Ukraine
UAE
United Kingdom
United Republic of Tanzania
United States
Vietnam
Yemen
Zambia

Zimbabwe

Trinidad and Tobago

# Training Centres

#### **Training Centres delivering predominantly in:**

Abu Dhabi	1
Australia	1
Côte d'Ivoire	1
Democratic Republic of the Congo	1
Dubai	6
Egypt	1
Equatorial Guinea	1
France	1
India	3
Iraq	1
Ireland	4
Italy	1
Khazakstan	1
Kuwait	1
Libya	1
Malaysia	2
Mozambique	1
Nigeria	2
Oman	1
Portugal	1
Qatar	2
South Africa	2
Turkey	1
UK	63



Training Centres increased from 81 in 2019 to 86 in 2020

# Regions

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#### Regions and number of members:

East of England	1,044
London & South East	3,291
Midlands	2,174
North East	486
North West	1,888
Northern Ireland	146
Republic of Ireland	120
Scotland East	461
Scotland West	648
South West	1,385
Sussex & Surrey	212
The Solent	489
Wales	676
Yorkshire & The Humber	1,177
New Zealand	



### **University Partners**

**Bangor University** 

Bath Spa University

Birkbeck College, University of London

Bournemouth University (BU) - Life & Environmental Science

Cardiff Metropolitan University

**Coventry University** 

Cranfield University - School of Water Energy & Environment

Glasgow Caledonian University

Keele University

Kingston University - Department of Geography & Geology

Manchester Metropolitan University

Northumbria University

SOAS, University of London

The Open University

University of Aberdeen

University of Aberystwyth

University of Brunel

University of Central Lancashire (School of Forensic

& Applied Sciences)

University of Chester

University of Derby

University of Dundee

University of East Anglia (UEA)

University Of Edinburgh - School of Geosciences

University of Hertfordshire

University of Hong Kong (HKU)

University of Leeds - Institute for Transport Studies

University of Leeds - School of Earth & Environment



University of Liverpool

University of Manchester - School of Environment

University of Oxford - School of Geography & the Environment

University of Plymouth

University of Portsmouth

University of Salford

University of Surrey

University of the West of England

#### Corporate Partners

2 Sisters Food Group AA Whyte Consultancy Ltd

ACCON UK Ltd

ACD Environmental Ltd

Adams Hendry Consulting Ltd

Adapt Sustainability Consulting Ltd

ADI Associates Environmental Consultants Ltd

Affric Ltd

Aggreko UK Ltd

AIS Environmental Ltd

AJT Environmental Consultants

Albea UK Ltd

Allen Pyke Associates Ltd

AMC Safety Management Ltd

**Appletons** 

Aquatera Arcadis

Artelia UK

ASH Design + Assessment Ltd

Aspect Ecology

Associated British Ports

Astro Lighting Ltd

Atmos Consulting Ltd Aviso Consultancy

BAE Systems

Barton Group Services

Barton Willmore Partnership

Batcheller Monkhouse

BaxterStorey

Bell Cornwell LLP

Bidwells

Boskalis Westminster Ltd

Boyer Planning Ltd

BP Global

Brindle & Green

British Engines

Brook and Mayo

Brown and May Marine Ltd

Buxton Building Contractors

CAAS

Calibro Consultants Ltd

Campbell Reith Hill LLP

Canary Wharf

Cass Associates Ltd

Celsa Manufacturing UK Ltd

Chris Blandford Associates

Clearlead Consulting Ltd

Cogeo Planning & Environmental Services Ltd

Cole Jarman Ltd

Colvin and Moggridge

Co-Operative Group

Corylus Planning and Environmental Ltd

Costain

Coventry City Council

Coventry C Cranswick

Crystal Doors

Davies Landscape Architects

DEFRA

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial

Strategy (BEIS)

Ditto Sustainability

DLP (Planning) Ltd

Dustscan Ltd

E360 Group Ltd
Eastleigh Borough Council

Ebsford Environmental

Eco Act

Ecological Planning and Research Ltd

Ecology Solutions Ltd

Ecometrica Ltd

EcoSleeve

ECUS Ltd

Egbin Power PLC

Emery Planning Partnership

Endangered Wildlife OU

EnTRESS - University of Wolverhampton

Environment Agency

Environmental Resources Management

EnvironQuest Nigeria Ltd

FCDO

Forest Carbon

FPCR Environment and Design Ltd

Franks Portlock

Fraser Nash Consultancy

Future Climate Inf

Gavia Environmental Ltd

Gavin Jones Ltd

Geo Pollution Technologies UK LTD

Gillespies

GoBe Consultants Ltd

Goldsmiths University of London

Green Element

Green Energy & Environmental Services

Green Spark
Greenstone+
GroundSure Ltd

Hankinson Duckett Associates

Hanson UK

Henderson & Taylor Hitachi Rail Ltd

HM Revenue & Customs

Hoare Lea

Hope Solutions

Howdens Joinery Co Ltd

HS2

Huskisson Brown Associates

I&C Ltd trading as Red7Marine Iceni Projects Idom Merebrook Ltd

Infrastructure Managers Ltd

Inspire International UK Ltd

Interserve

Ironside Farrar Ltd

John Sisk & Son (Holdings) Ltd Johns Associates Ltd

KD Environmental Ltd Keltbray Ltd

**KP Acoustics Ltd** 

KR Sustainability Consultancy Ltd

Laing O'Rourke

Landscape Partnership Ltd

LC Energy Ltd

Leaf Global Environmental Services



Leeds Galvanising & Powder Coating Lichfields

Lincolnshire Co-operative

Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Lloyd Bore

Lloyds Register

Madexa Environmental Risk Solutions Ltd

MAG

Maintenance Associated Services Ltd

Marks & Spencer McAdam Design

McAdam Design

Midlands Health and Safety Consultancy

Ministry of Defence Ministry of Justice Minx Consulting

Murray and Willis Ltd Neo Environmental Ltd

NERC / UKRI

Network Rail Nevis Environmental Ltd

Nexus Planning Ltd
NHS England & NHS Improvement

NHS England 8

Nicholas Pearson Associates Ltd

Northern Archaeological Associates Ltd Northgate Property Services

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

Nova Acoustics Oscar Mayer

Oxford Archaeology P4 Planning

Pegasus Planning Group Ltd Peter Evans Partnership Peterson (United Kingdom) Ltd

PRC Architecture & Planning Ltd

inces Ltd

QAFAC

Qatar Rail Company

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Queen Mary University of London Ramboll Environment and Health UK Ltd

RRA Acoustics Ltd

Reading Agricultural Consultants

Resource & Waste Management Ltd T/A Land &

Mineral Management

Ricardo Energy & Environment

Richard Buxton Environmental & Public Law

Richard Jackson Ltd RMA Environmental Ltd

Robert Doughty Consultancy Ltd

Rolls Royce Plc

Royal HaskoningDHV UK Ltd

RPS Group Plc

RSK Environment Ltd
Safety & Environmental Consulting Ltd

Sam Gilpin Demolition ltd

Scania GB Schofield Lothian Limted

Serco

Sharps Redmore Partnership Ltd

Shutdown Maintenance Services Ltd Siemens Energy

Siemens PLC Silkstone Environmental Ltd

SIS GB
Skanska UK Plc

Cal Environment

Solt Environment
Soltys Brewster Consulting Ltd
South Western Railway
Southampton Football Club

Spawforths Stantec S-Tech Insurance Services Ltd

Sweco Systra TACP LLP

Terrenus Land & Water Ltd
Thaipat Institute

The Environment Partnership (TEP)

The Environmental Dimension Partnership Ltd
The Hut Group

The LEGO Company

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland
The Terra Firma Consultancy Ltd

The Weir Group

Threadneedle Asset Management Holdings Ltd

Thermo Fisher Scientific

Travis Perkins

Translink

Turley Associates Ltd
Urban Edge Environmental Consulting Ltd

Valnal

Verdé Environmental Group Ltd Veris Strategies

Vitacress VolkerWessels UK

Walker Beak Mason

Warfield SANG Management Company Ltd Wataniya Environmental Services

Wienerberger Ltd Willmott Dixon

Wynns Ltd

Xodus Group Ltd



# IEMA's Carbon Reduction commitments

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We continued to work towards Pledge to Net-Zero. We updated our GHG management hierarchy and applied this to the net zero challenge.

Our hierarchy approach has been widely adopted and utilised in ISO Climate Change guidance (ISO guide 84). We committed to:

- I. <u>Pledge to Net Zero</u>
- 2. Climate Neutral Now





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We calculated our own Science Based Targets in 2020 and set GHG emission reduction commitments against the 1.5-degree warming scenario to:

- Reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions comprising gas and electricity to meet a 46.2% reduction of emissions by 2030.
- Reduce our Scope 3 emissions comprising business travel and staff commuting to meet a 46.2% reduction of emissions by 2030.

We also purchased carbon offsets in line with the UNFCCC scheme Climate Neutral Now.

View our targets and GHG performance here.





# IEMA's Carbon Reduction commitments

RESOURCES

#### Resources

- Achieving Zero Carbon in the North West webinar
- IEMA Sustainability Impact
  Award winners blog
- Climate-related financial disclosures
- Pathways to Net Zero: Using the IEMA GHG Management Hierarchy
- 2020 reflections: Did you help to protect the planet?



#### **IEMA Futures**



IEMA Futures is a network of students, graduates and young professionals who are passionate about environment and sustainability issues. As a network, we provide you with a platform to connect, inform, engage and drive your transition into becoming a future leader of the profession.

2020 was challenging, but our network came together to share, learn and collaborate, reaching audiences worldwide like never before. We welcomed 100+ new network members and our community continued to grow.

More than 1,000 people attended our webinars, covering topics such as Biodiversity Net Gain, World Environment Day and Employability Skills. We also successfully transitioned to virtual events, which were attended by more than 200 people, allowing our network to come together, learn and network.

# IEMA's Community and Networks



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**FUTURES OVERVIEW** 

#### **IEMA Futures**

#### Resources

- Hiring a graduate during Covid19
- Introduction to the Circular Economy
- World Environment Day:

  A focus on Biodiversity Net Gain
- **Employability Skills**
- Introduction to Biodiversity and
  Net Gain



# IEMA's Community and Networks

**FUTURES OVERVIEW** 

#### **IEMA Futures**

#### **Our Statistics**

4 newsletters in 2020 with high engagement rates (opens, clicks, responses).

5 events in 2020 (4 virtual). An increase in attendees at events from approximately 150 in 2019 to more than 215 in 2020.

3 webinars in 2020, compared to 0 in 2019.

Network grew to 206 members compared to 83 in 2019.



**REGIONAL OVERVIEW** 



## **IEMA Regions**



Despite 2020 being a challenging year, we grew to have more than 200 IEMA members that dedicate their time to volunteering across our 19 Regional groups.

It was really great to see how the Regional networks fully embraced the transition from face to face events to digital. Having organised and hosted more than 50 diverse regional events, with 2,600+ bookings, these virtual sessions were really well received; connecting, supporting and inspiring members.

REGIONAL RESOURCES

REGIONAL STATISTICS

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Really liked the local element to this webinar, I found it refreshing that it was covering the North West and hearing about local initiatives is inspiring and empowering.

Member feedback





## **IEMA Regions**

#### Resources

- North West group takes activities online
- New Zealand networking
- Birmingham festive air quality presentation
- Achieving Zero Carbon in the North West
- Innovating to Support the decarbonisation of the Northern Ireland Energy System
- South West Regional Event:

  Decarbonisation of heat in the food and drink sector
- Newcastle Event: SECRCompliance update, CarbonFootprinting and Climate Action



REGIONAL STATISTICS





## **IEMA Regions**

### **Our Statistics**

REGIONAL RESOURCES



Total number of events



Face to face Events



Digital Events

REGIONAL STATISTICS



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Attendees 1,517



Volunteers in the networks
200+



#### **Fellows Network**

FELLOWS OVERVIEW



The Sustainability Leaders Forum went digital, focusing on how leaders could enhance resilience for their organisations and sharing insights with members including interviews with John Elkington and Jane Davidson.

We released a thought piece on the value of collaboration for sustainable outcomes.

The working group's insights on issues such as modern slavery and circular economy transition demonstrated the degree of transformative change resulting from strategic collaboration across the value chain.

The Fellows working group on disruptive technologies & the digital economy continued work on the thought piece launching in 2021, which examines the role of smart living in decarbonisation and sustainability.



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FELLOWS STATISTICS



# Resources

FELLOWS OVERVIEW

- How do wellbeing and long-term thinking enable more resilient organisations?
- The role of smart living in decarbonisation and sustainability
- <u>Corporate Sustainability</u>
- Understanding the needs
  of a post 2020 sustainable future



RESOURCES

FELLOWS STATISTICS

### **Our Statistics**

FELLOWS OVERVIEW Hosted 3 meetings to discuss the value of collaboration for corporate sustainability outcomes.

The March roundtable included 44 representatives of the IEMA Fellows network.

Close to 550 IEMA members registered for the launch session of the thought piece.





FELLOWS STATISTICS

SUSTAINABLE CLIMATE CHANGE SUSTAINABLE **CLIMATE CHANGE FINANCE RESOURCES** AND ENERGY RESOURCES FINANCE AND ENERGY Climate Change and Energy CIRCULAR **ECONOMY** We continued to support members on IEMA continued to address the climate Climate Change and Energy, reflecting our emergency, from our own operations through 'Emergency Declaration'. In a disrupted year, professional disciplines and by influencing **CIRCULAR ECONOMY** digital events welcomed more than 5,000 policy and international standards. RESOURCES attendees, with headline speakers from the Committee on Climate Change and UNFCCC. Our outreach covered newsletters, the Climate CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY Action Toolbox, and on-line practice surgeries. Our GHG management hierarchy approach

was also widely used, including in new ISO

guidance and in 2020 we launched 'Pathways

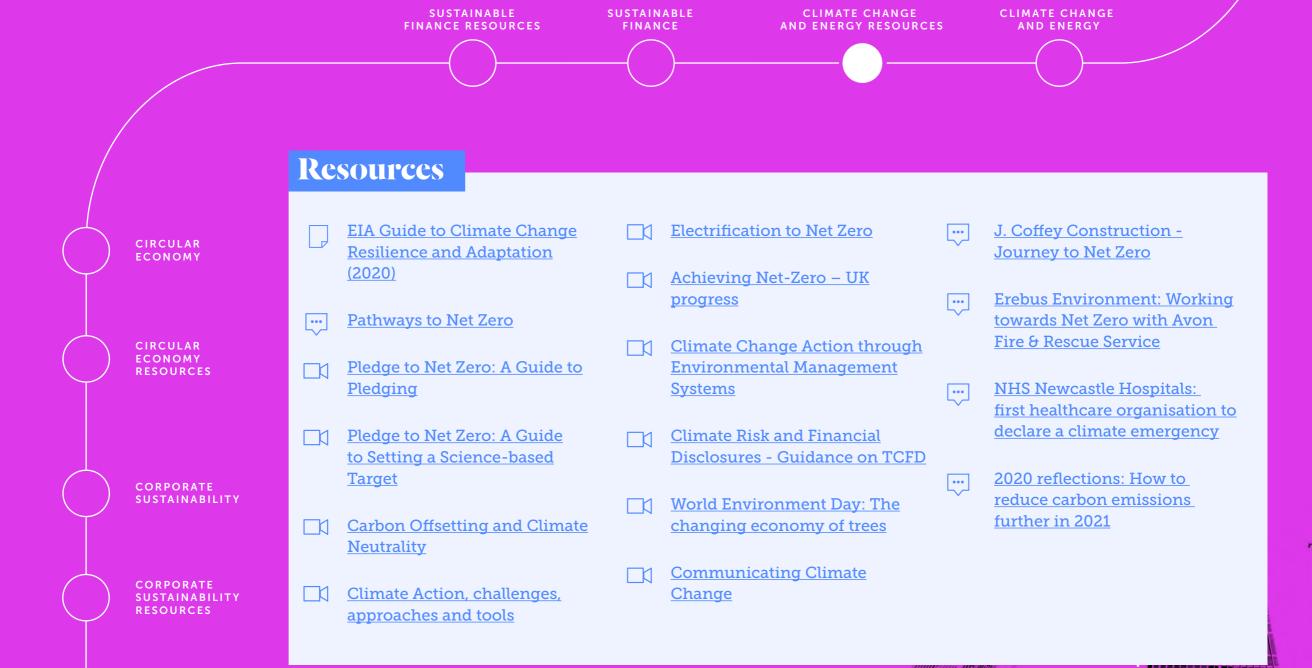
to Net-Zero'. We also published EIA guidance

on Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience.



CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY

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However, the lack of globally agreed definitions and varying interpretations of what constitutes good practice causes confusion and erodes market confidence. IEMA networks and working groups collaborated to inform IEMA consultation responses on the BSI and ISO level standards. The standards seek to enhance understanding of key sustainability principles, practices, and terminology. We supported this

with a sustainable finance webinar series providing key regulatory updates, including the impact for the sustainability profession of the <u>EU taxonomy</u> and <u>disclosure regulations</u>.

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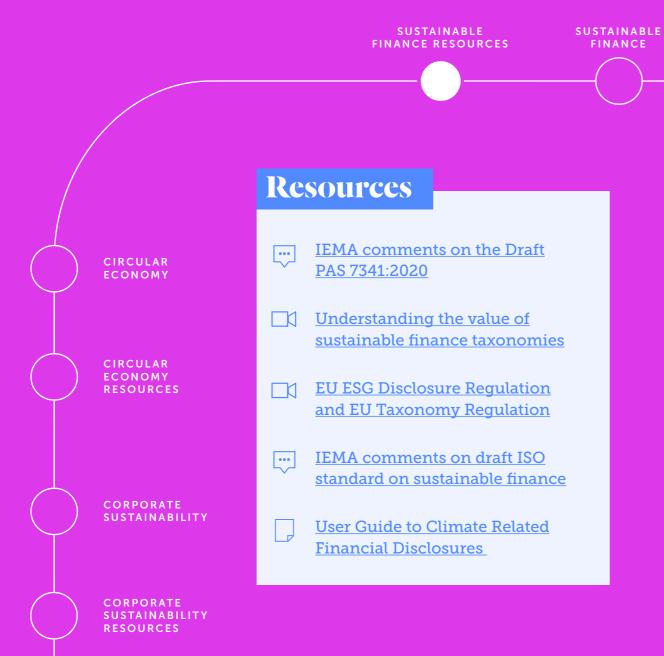
We worked jointly with the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries to publish a user-guide on climate-related financial disclosures.





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CLIMATE CHANGE

AND ENERGY

**CLIMATE CHANGE** 

AND ENERGY RESOURCES





response to DEFRA calling for increased ambition

of the targets, accompanying this with a sector



road map of commitments. We hosted 8 webinars, with examples and recommendations on integrating CE into organisations, from the role of the CE in providing capacity building to SMEs to a case study on Circular Public





CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY

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In 2020, Mike Barry, former Director of
Sustainable Business for M&S, outlined personal
perspectives for embedding change and how
professionals can help influence new models
for business. Inder Poonaji, championed

purpose and longer-term business framing.

'ethical resilience' as a morally conscious

decision-making process. Dr Victoria Hurth

outlined common deep-seated assumptions about how a company relates to the economy and society and whether they can transition to being <u>purpose-driven</u>.

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AND ENERGY



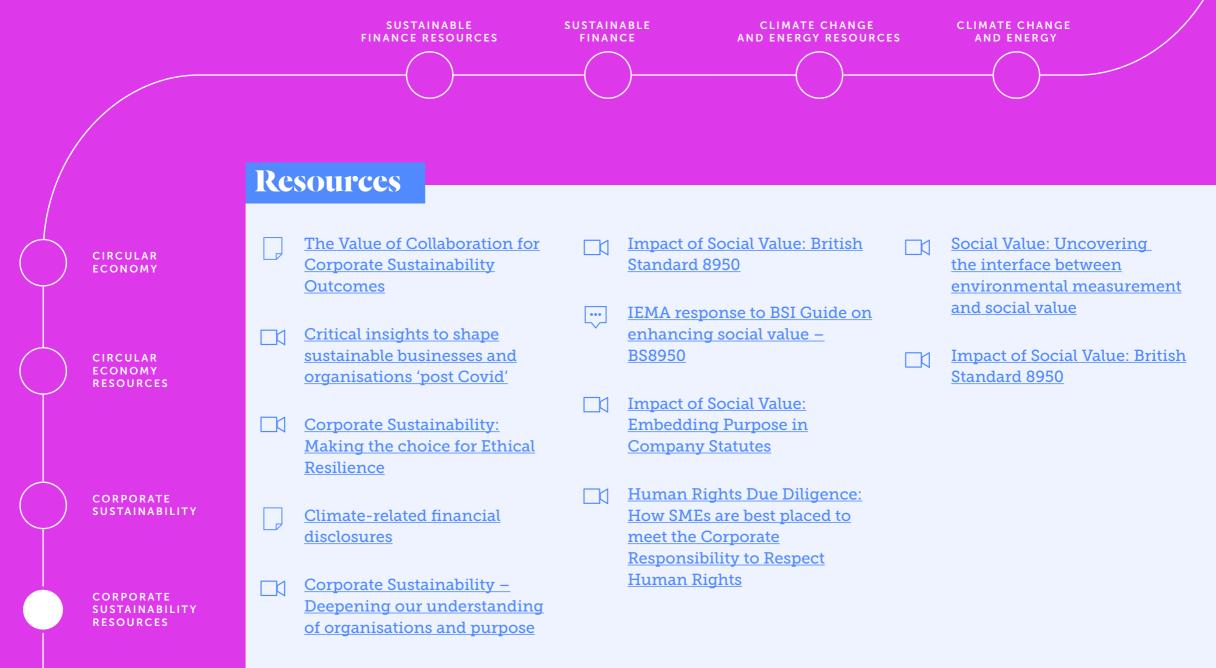
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#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT

#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESOURCES

#### Impact Assessment

ENVIRONMENT BILL

ENVIRONMENT BILL RESOURCES



2020 was incredibly productive with numerous webinars, four Outlook Journals, four IA Guides, and the launch of four new working groups on SEA, Marine Impact Assessment, Soils and Land, and Post Consent Management and Monitoring.

We elected 5 new members to the Steering Group, including a new Chair, and the Network grew by over 50%.

We responded to government consultations on environmental data, planning for the future and IA reforms, and continued to advocate for high quality environmental impact assessment.

We go into 2021 with a full programme of activities and a strong network of volunteers and partners with the shared vision of high-quality IA contributing to the transition to a sustainable future.

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#### Resources

- Digital Impact Assessment
  Primer
- EIA Spotlight: Demystifying
  Cumulative Effect Assessment
- Impact Assessment Outlook
  Journals
- Land and Soil Inputs to EIA
- Major Accidents and Disasters in EIA
- Considering Greenhouse Gas
  Emissions in EIA
- Webinar on the Government consultation on 'Planning for the Future'
  - Insights on
    Interdisciplinarity: Impact
    Assessment, Auditing and
    Environmental Management



#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT

#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESOURCES

# Knowledge, Insight and Influencing

## **Environment Bill**

ENVIRONMENT BILL

ENVIRONMENT BILL RESOURCES



Last year, we continued our work on the Environment Bill as it re-entered Parliament. The Bill creates a key part of the post-Brexit environmental governance framework that will shape how the environment is managed.

Our Director of Policy and External Affairs,
Martin Baxter discussed key aspects of the Bill
in meetings with Defra Secretary of States
George Eustice and Theresa Villiers, Minister
Rebecca Pow and the Treasury Exchequer
Secretary Simon Clarke and gave evidence
before MPs during the House of Commons
Committee stage. We were delighted to see

our proposals for legally binding long-term targets included in the Bill and we're working with Defra policy teams on the processes to implement the key provisions. We continue our work on the Bill as it passes through Parliament.

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- The Environment Bill:
  Background, content and
  passage through UK
  Parliament
- Targets for Green Growth setting the targets under the
  Environment Bill
- Environment Bill: Office for environmental protection a new green watchdog
- Environment Bill:Environmental Principles



#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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# Knowledge, Insight and Influencing

## Biodiversity and the Natural Environment

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ENVIRONMENT BILL RESOURCES



We continued to underpin Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) across all areas of professional practice.

Our collaboration continued with partners including CIEEM as we engaged with the development of a new British Standard 8683, hosting member workshops and collating a response into the public consultation.

We also piloted masterclass BNG training with excellent feedback and demand.

Other natural environment work considered so called 'nature-based' solutions, such as the role of forestry and peatland for carbon sequestration and other ecosystem services.

This included webinars on the woodland carbon code (WCC) and interest in the potential for combining the in-practice use of such schemes alongside biodiversity net-gain.

Interest in natural environment developments continued to grow, especially with UK Environment Bill developments and forthcoming policy opportunities in UK land management support.

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- IEMA Futures Introduction to Biodiversity and Net Gain
- Morld Environment Day:

  A focus on Biodiversity Net
  Gain
- World Environment Day: The changing economy of trees



#### IMPACT ASSESSMENT

### IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESOURCES

# Knowledge, Insight and Influencing

# **Environmental Auditing and Environmental Management**

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ENVIRONMENT BILL RESOURCES



During 2020, IEMA sought to highlight the importance of Environmental Management (EM) by hosting a comprehensive webinar series starting with the basics of EM, but also highlighting the interconnects between this discipline and other areas such as climate change or impact assessment.

Due to the disruptions brought about by Covid-19 to environmental auditing, we also focused several webinars in our Adapting to Covid-19 series on the changes to the discipline, including the transition to Remote Auditing. In addition, we released two new

briefing documents. 'The Value of
Environmental Auditing' details how an
organisation can embed and benefit from
effective environmental audits, to ensure
good environmental management in order
to build back better for a green recovery.
The second, the 'Golden Rules of Remote
Auditing', provides details on the key
considerations to be made when planning
and conducting audits remotely.

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- Value of Environmental
  Auditing guide & 10 Golden
  Rules of Remote Auditing
  quide
- Adapting to COVID-19: ISO

  14001 accredited certification

   changes to surveillance

  audits and certificate renewal
  assessments
- Adapting to Covid-19 Remote Auditing
- Environmental Auditing 101:
  An introduction to the key
  principles

- Environmental management 101: back to basics
- Update on environmental management systems standards
- Adapting to COVID-19 Impact on Extended Producer
  Responsibility
- Climate Change Action through Environmental Management Systems

- Insights on
  Interdisciplinarity: IA. EM
  and Auditing
- Case study of Nuclear Power using IA, EM and Auditing
- SiLC scheme: Promoting confidence in Brownfield risk management and reporting



## **IEMA Profile**

INCREASE VS DECREASE



Behind the dominance of the COVID pandemic, the crises of the climate emergency and the global threat to biodiversity rose in prominence. IEMA was well placed to contribute to the debate, basing its communications on its distinctive mix of policy development, advocacy, and knowledge.

IEMA's approach combined a blend of communications channels through
TRANSFORM, social media and wider PR.
Key themes included the progress of the
Environment Bill (CEO quoted in BBC News in reaction to a speech by Environment
Secretary of State, George Eustice) and promotion of IEMA's own activities.

In 2020, the IEMA Sustainability Impact Awards ceremony went digital with more than 300 attendees. Furthermore, all events went online with 200+ webinars and regional events with 20,000+ attendees.





### PROFILE

# **IEMA Profile**

INCREASE VS DECREASE

## **Our Statistics**







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1,041,166



Total hits generated on IEMA.net

1,418,492



254,489



12,500+





# **IEMA Profile**

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## **Our Statistics**

Followers increased by

49.12%

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1,055,248

Followers increased by

11.54% ^



Unique page views on MyIEMA

1,59,059



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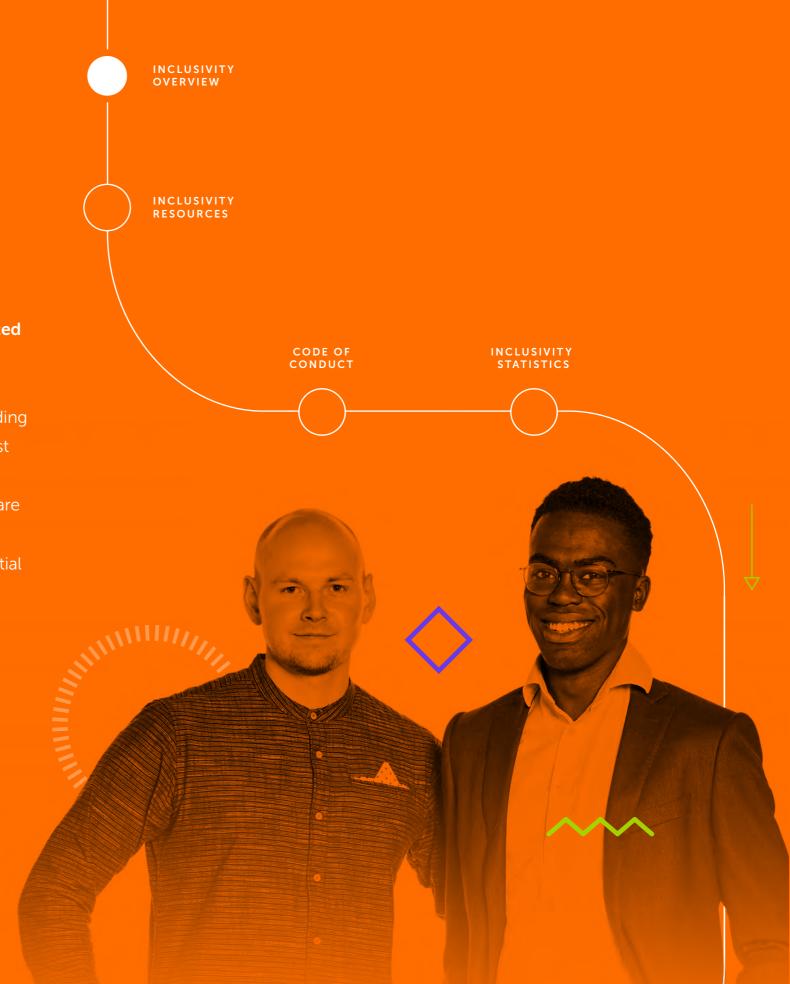
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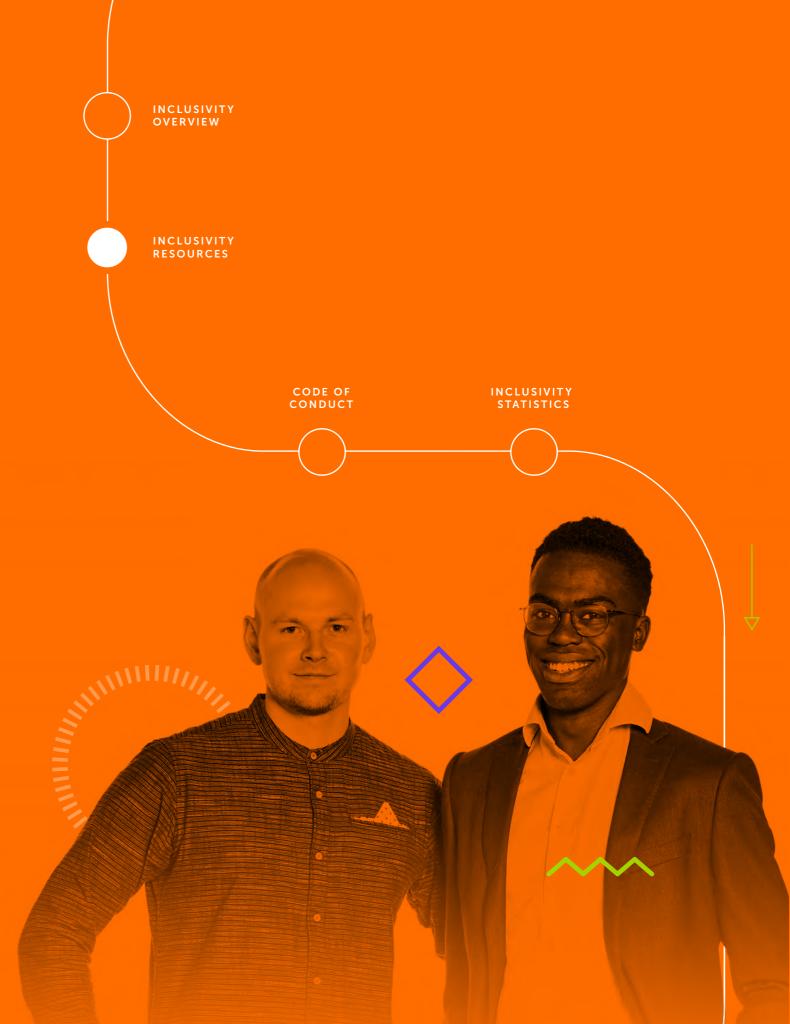


Three years ago, a Policy Exchange survey identified the environment profession as the second least diverse out of 202 professions in the UK. In 2020 we committed to change this.

We held two meetings to gain an understanding of challenges, barriers, and solutions. The first saw people from BAME background and proactive white allies coming together to share experiences and generate ideas. A CEOs' meeting discussed the feedback from the initial meeting and, together, they identified a way forward. A plan of action for 2021 has been created. Look out for the launch of the Diverse Sustainability Initiative.



- Public Diversity Commitment
- DSI Action Plan



# IEMA Code of Professional Conduct

Strive to ensure equality of opportunity and respect diversity in my professional activity. This means I will:

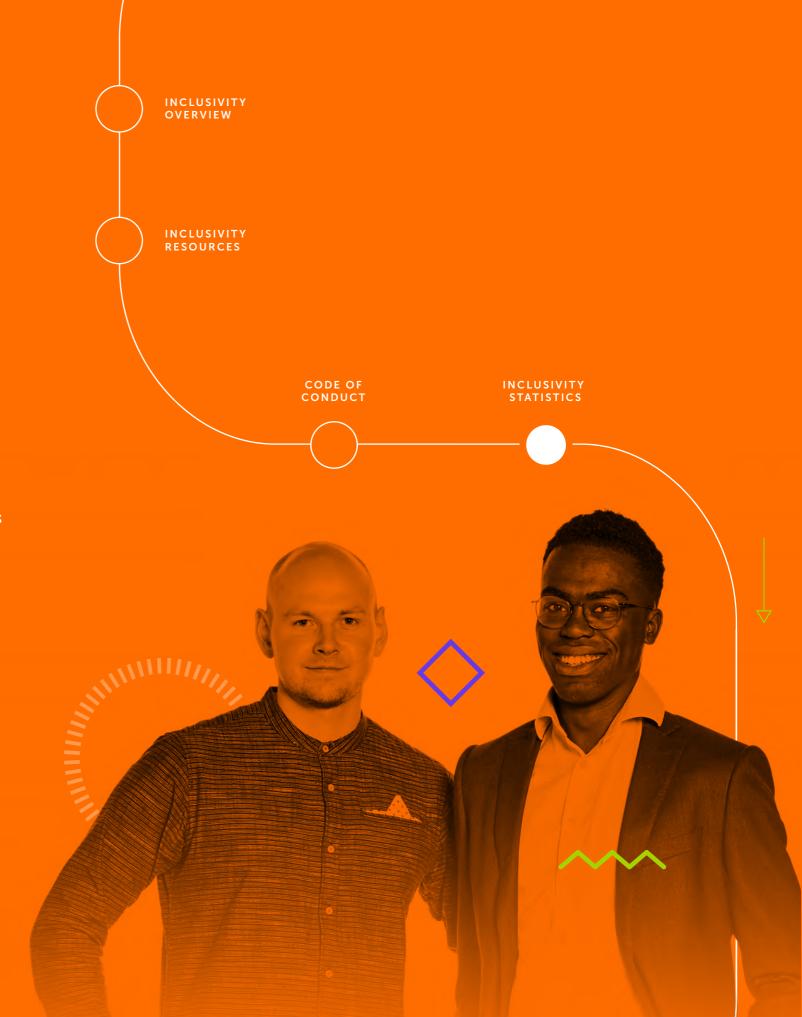
- I. Treat others fairly.
- 2. Strive to ensure equality of opportunity, diversity and inclusion, supporting human rights and dignity.
- Act in a way that safeguards the physical and mental health, safety and wellbeing of others.
- 4. Be respectful of the customs, practices, culture and personal beliefs of others in my professional activity.



## **Our Statistics**

3.1% of environment professionals identified as minorities compared to 19.9% of all occupations who identified as minorities.

9% of UK students in higher education studying direct feeder subjects to environment professions identified as non-white minorities compared to 22% of UK students in higher education who identified as non-white minorities.



## **Build Back Better**

**BBB OVERVIEW** 





As with all organisations, IEMA had to respond to the global health pandemic to protect employees and those we work with and adapt to different ways of supporting members.

We activated our business continuity plan in mid-March and overnight moved to home working. Our staff adapted brilliantly and quickly found ways to significantly enhance the services we offer to members.

Our "adapting to Covid-19" resources provided vital information to support members in their work, from guidance on how to conduct remote audits to blogs on impact assessment.

We ran sessions on mental wellbeing for remote workers, recognising the importance of supporting ourselves and colleagues during this challenging period. We introduced extended renewal periods and the option of monthly direct debit for membership fees, recognising that the economic impact of the pandemic

would leave some unable to work or without a job while needing to retain their professional qualifications to help them get back to work. The sudden shift from 'business as usual' also created opportunity – to put sustainability at the heart of the recovery and build a better future. Our "Build Back Better" report sets out our high-level recommendations which we use in our advocacy work with government and wider stakeholders.



BBB RESOURCES



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### Resources

- Build Back Better: Putting sustainability at the heart of the recovery
- 10 Golden Rules of Remote
  Auditing
- Adapting to Covid19
- The new normal what does that look like?
- IEMA Futures: Hiring a graduate during Covid-19
- Lessons from the past on Building Back Better

- #BuildBackBetter The Role of Blockchain in supporting business
- Circular Economy in Practice
   #BuildBackBetter How the
  UK resources & waste sector
  can deliver a green recovery
- West of Scotland Session 3:
  Learning from the
  Environmental Impacts of
  COVID



BBB RESOURCES



## Finances

We will publish our Directors' Report and Accounts for 2020 on completion of our external financial audit and sign-off from the Board.

FINANCES OVERVIEW

Given the COVID-19 pandemic is a significant health and economic crisis, we took action to minimise adverse risks to staff and the organisation. Overall, the income budget for 2020 was achieved and costs were below budget due to actions taken to halt discretionary expenditure



# 2021 Vision

