



### **IIED's mission**

Our mission is to build a fairer, more sustainable world, using evidence, action and influence in partnership with others.

### **IIED's impacts**

Our most significant positive impact is through our research, advice and advocacy work. We carry out action research — generating robust evidence and know-how that is informed by a practical perspective acquired through hands-on research with grassroots partners — and we publish in journals and maintain high research standards. We advise government, business and development agencies, and we argue for changes in public policy. We focus on bottom-up approaches, stay open to flexible, adaptable solutions and are marked by a tradition of challenging conventional wisdom through original thinking. All of this requires innovative approaches to in-country and international work.

We recognise that in pursuing these objectives we can impact the environment. Our in-country and international work must therefore also be equally innovative in minimising our adverse environmental impacts:

- Greenhouse gas emissions to the atmosphere from the use of fossil fuels for air travel and other transport necessary to deliver our mission;
- Greenhouse gas emissions to the atmosphere from the use of fossil fuel based energy and the consumption of electricity in our offices in London and Edinburgh;
- Production of waste and the use of water in our offices in London and Edinburgh; and
- Indirectly, the environmental impact of our partners, contractors, suppliers and consultants.

### **IIED's commitments**

We are committed to continually improve our environmental performance and prevent pollution by:

- Ensuring our compliance with all relevant legislation, regulations and other relevant requirements;
- Using a management system that meets the requirements of ISO 14001;
- Ensuring independent certification and regular review of our environmental management system;
- Setting appropriate and realistic targets and objectives for our most significant environmental impacts;



- Assessing and regularly re-assessing the environmental impacts of our activities;
- Ensuring awareness of all our employees of our environmental policy and impacts;
- Sharing low-carbon innovations to our in-country and international work, and scaling up effective approaches where effective;
- Minimising our carbon emissions from energy consumption and travel, both within the UK and internationally;
- Reducing our greenhouse gas emissions per head by an average of per cent per year, consistent with the requirements of globally-recognised reduction commitments such as the Carbon Trust Standard
- Serving vegetarian food at IIED-led events in northern countries to reduce the environmental impact of our catering
- Phasing out single-use plastic at IIED-led events in northern countries to reduce the pollution and waste
- Minimising the amount of waste through reduction, recovery and recycling;
- Using our Environmental and Procurement Policies to secure environmentally sensitive approaches by our providers and contractors; and
- Reporting our environmental performance in our Annual Report.

This Policy is communicated to all employees, suppliers and sub-contractors and is made available to the public. IIED's Management Team oversees and reviews the policy; and our Environmental Manager coordinates its implementation.

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Andrew Norton'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Andrew Norton  
IIED Director

Date: 21 February 2019