INTRODUCTION

SACC Sustainability Committee

BACKGROUND
WHY THE COMMITTEE WAS FORMED

Swedish companies are in the forefront and committed to the Sustainable Development Agenda. SACC decided to create a platform for a Sustainability Committee, a forum bringing together Swedish companies that are committed to sustainable development through actions and contributions.

VISION

SACC Sustainability Committee -
Taking a leadership role in advancing sustainability actions in Australia

FOCUS

1. Share knowledge and put in context advancement of sustainability initiatives in Australia according to company sustainability strategies and the SDG's benchmark.

2. Proactively drive the agenda through engagement in the chamber amongst other Swedish companies and industry collaboration.

3. Collective strength and voice to government on opportunities of interest and engagement on local/national activities.

Member Company Sustainability Drivers

Areas of Focus

- Zero Emissions by 2050
- Energy efficiency
- Circular economy
- Clean energy
- Sustainable food
- Waste Management
- Reducing Carbon Footprint

Challenges

- Transforming to a circular economy and to ensure circularity
- Declare commitment to respect human rights
- Promote diversity, inclusion and gender equality
- Government support in all areas of sustainability
- Operate at the highest levels of transparency and corporate governance
- Combining global and local strategy and execution
- Business leaders taking accountability

Together we want to inspire and accelerate sustainability actions across corporate Australia

Members of the SACC Sustainability Committee

The Swedish Australian Chamber of Commerce (SACC), established in 1911, promotes and supports trade, investment and business relations between Sweden and Australia. SACC provides a platform for companies and professionals with Swedish-Australian business interests to connect, exchange knowledge, build partnerships and identify new opportunities for collaboration.

SACC works closely with the Embassy of Sweden and Business Sweden as part of Team Sweden – a collaborative network promoting Swedish trade, investment, innovation and Sweden's long-term interests internationally.

The **SACC Sustainability Committee** brings together representatives from Swedish-affiliated companies operating in Australia to strengthen collaboration and advance practical action across sustainability, innovation and industry transformation.

The Committee provides a platform to:

- ✓ Facilitate dialogue on key sustainability, policy and business priorities.
- ✓ Share knowledge, experience and best practice from Sweden and Australia.
- ✓ Strengthen collaboration between business, government, academia and other key stakeholders.

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- ✓ Showcase Swedish expertise, innovation and solutions that can contribute to Australia's sustainable transition.
- ✓ Provide a collective industry perspective on opportunities and barriers to sustainable growth.

A key priority is to strengthen engagement with policymakers and parliamentarians, ensuring that the practical experience and perspectives of Swedish companies operating in Australia can contribute constructively to policy development and support a more sustainable, innovative and competitive Australian economy.

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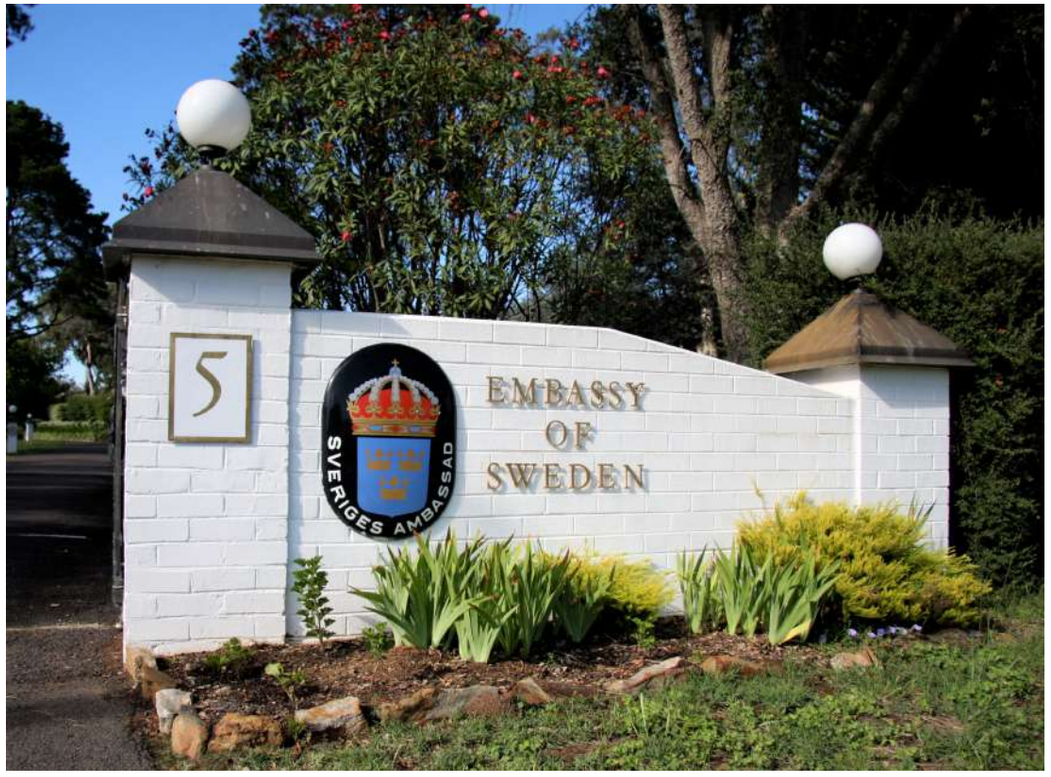

Sweden and Australia share a strong bilateral relationship built on common values, robust trade and investment, and historical ties. Every day, collaboration between Swedish companies and Australian partners demonstrates how long-term commitment drives innovation, growth, and prosperity in our countries.

Swedish companies support around 76,700 jobs across Australia, reflecting their significant contribution to the economy and communities. The Embassy is proud of their strong presence and looks forward to continuing building on these partnerships.

The Embassy of Sweden in Canberra fosters bilateral cooperation through political dialogue, trade facilitation and cultural exchange. It connects Swedish and Australian actors, arranges high-level visits, works closely with government and industry leaders, and hosts strategic events that showcase Sweden as an innovative, sustainable, and trusted partner.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. ABB Emissions

✓ Our scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions targets for 2030 and 2050 were validated by the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) in 2024. In line with the SBTi Net-Zero Standard, we are committed to having net-zero emissions across both our operations and our upstream and downstream value chain by 2050.

2. Renewable source of energy by 2030

✓ 98% of ABB's electricity now comes from renewable sources, from both procurement and on-site generation.

3. Electrify ABB's vehicle fleet by 2030

✓ 33% of 10,000+ cars are electric while 241 of ABB owned sites have EV charging infrastructure.

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EMPOWERING MOVEMENT

At Arjo, we believe that empowering movement within healthcare environments is essential to quality care. Our products and solutions are designed to promote a safe and dignified experience, improve patient outcomes, support healthcare professionals, and advance sustainable, circular healthcare across acute and long-term care settings.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Reprocessing single-use medical devices

✓ Arjo ReNu reduces healthcare waste, lowers carbon emissions, and introduces a circular model for single-use, non-invasive medical devices.

2. Eco-design, rental and equipment service

✓ Products designed for low energy consumption and efficient use of materials. Arjo Australia increased circularity by renting and servicing used products.

3. Greenhouse gas emissions

✓ Arjo Australia is transitioning to renewable energy at its facilities by extending solar energy throughout local operations.

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We have been operating in Australia for more than 60 years. At AstraZeneca, we're committed to improving the health of people, society and the planet.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Australian Manufacturing

✓ We are one of the largest pharmaceutical manufacturers in Australia, operating in North Ryde Sydney. Thousands of solar panels line the roof of our manufacturing site.

2. Nature Action

✓ AstraZeneca has supported the planting of over 7 million native and locally appropriate trees across Australia.

3. EV Transition

✓ Our field-based employees are transitioning to battery electric vehicles.

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Ericsson has supplied Australia with trusted, secure technology for 136 years and today supports 206 5G networks across 85 countries, including all Australian mobile operators and the nbn. Ericsson is committed to net zero across its value chain by 2040, reducing energy consumption at a typical mobile site by 41% since 2021.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Sustainable Fixed Wireless Operations

✓ Ericsson software cut nbn's energy use on its fixed wireless network by 5%, or the equivalent of powering 200 homes.

2. Radio Site Hardware Consolidation

✓ Telstra's deployment of Ericsson AIR 3284 triple-band FDD Massive MIMO radio, that integrates three frequency bands into a single unit, has reduced hardware units required per site.

3. Intelligent Network Energy Saving

✓ Deployment of cell and MIMO sleep capabilities in the Optus network has reduced power consumption during periods of low traffic demand.

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EQT is a purpose-driven investment organisation with a Nordic heritage, managing US$333bn in AUM and 330+ portfolio companies globally across Private Capital, Infrastructure and Real Estate. For three decades, sustainability has been core to EQT's strategy - helping manage risk, capture growth opportunities and strengthen resilience across our investments. EQT aims to future-proof companies and assets to deliver superior long-term risk-adjusted returns. Visit **www.eqtgroup.com**

EQT's approach to sustainability

1. Sustainability-themed investing

✓ EQT invests behind long-term secular growth trends, combining deep sector expertise with a local-with-locals approach to help companies grow during and beyond EQT ownership.

2. Selected Investments

✓ INSTAVOLT - UK's largest and most reliable ultra-rapid public charging network.

✓ BLOOM FRESH™ - Market leader in sustainable fruit innovation.

✓ NORDIC FERRY INFRASTRUCTURE - Leading pan-Nordic low-emission maritime transportation platform.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Committed to net zero* emissions by 2050

✓ Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) validated.

* Net zero means reducing our (scope 1, 2 & 3) emissions by >90% in 2050 vs baseline 2021 and balance remaining 10% by removals

2. Reducing landfill through drum recycling

✓ Understanding customer disposal challenges and collaborating on tailored recycling solutions.

3. Reducing time at the hospital

✓ Proper infection control reduces the risk for Healthcare Acquired Infections (HAI).

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HITACHI

Hitachi Energy is a global technology leader in electrification, powering a sustainable energy future with innovative power grid technologies with digital at the core. As Australia's energy system is rapidly transforming, Hitachi Energy provides an end-to-end solutions portfolio comprising products, services, systems and software enabling greater flexibility, efficiency, and safety.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Clean Energy Infrastructure

✓ Grid and transmission build out, digital and power electronics for system strength, energy storage.

2. Marinus Link

✓ Hitachi Energy provides the advanced high-voltage direct current (HVDC) system for the Marinus Link project, enabling the two-way electric power transmission across the cable with minimal power losses.

3. Australian R&D Manufacturing

✓ 60 years' local manufacturing in Victoria for domestic market and export, Australian engineering & service.

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Celebrating 50 years in Australia, IKEA is committed to creating a better everyday life for the many people. Sustainability is embedded throughout our business, from designing products for circularity to investing in renewable energy and zero-emission deliveries. Through the size and scale of our brand, we aim to drive positive change for people, communities and the planet.

Visit **IKEA Sustainability Strategy**

Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Zero Emissions Delivery

✓ ~85% of truck deliveries to customers now via a zero emission vehicle.

2. Renewable Energy Source and Storage

✓ Up to 70% of IKEA distribution centre electricity sourced via onsite renewable energy & battery storage.

3. Real Zero Leadership

✓ Net zero by 2050 with no offsets.

Explore more: IKEA Sustainability Strategy

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Polestar

Polestar is Europe's only pure electric car brand, combining Swedish design, performance and innovation to drive sustainable change. In Australia since 2021, Polestar champions transparency through lifecycle assessments that measure each vehicle's environmental impact. By prioritising sustainability, design and performance, Polestar aims to accelerate the transition to a cleaner electric future.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Commitment to transparency

✓ We openly publish data on our sustainability accountability. We use blockchain technology to increase traceability of key raw materials such as cobalt, mica, lithium, graphite, and nickel to assess supply chain risk.

2. Carbon impact assessment

✓ We believe that customers should understand the full environmental impact of the vehicles they buy. We calculate the climate impact of every Polestar, publish these as Life Cycle Assessment (LCAs) for anyone to read, and work relentlessly to lower our impact.

3. World-leading sustainability

✓ In 2025, greenhouse gas emissions per sold car were down 31% compared with our 2020 baseline, from 45.9 to 31.7 tCO_2e. We are working toward global climate neutrality by 2040.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Carbide Recycling Program

✓ Australia's first OEM-led carbide recycling and buy-back program operating in country – achieving up to 70% lower CO_2 than virgin material.

2. Partnership in Electrification

✓ Progressing diesel-electric underground haulage through co-designed equipment with Australian mining contractors.

3. Sustainable Solutions

✓ Sandvik delivers technologies that help the world reach net zero. The modern underground mine is invisible, autonomous, electrified and digitalised to remove the need for people underground.

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VOLVO

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. 100% Fossil Free Transport by 2040

✓ The Volvo Group is committed to a three-pronged approach to decarbonisation investing in low carbon liquid fuels, battery electric and hydrogen powered vehicle technologies. By ensuring all new vehicles are fossil-free by 2040, Volvo enables operators to field entirely fossil-free fleets by 2050.

2. EV Leadership

✓ Volvo Group Australia is the local electric truck industry leader with more than 140 trucks in operation that have clocked over 3million kms, and counting. Volvo's latest electric trucks are safe, proven, homologated and offer up to 470km of range under current local weight regulations, and up to 700km in EU.

3. Local Manufacturing

✓ Volvo Group Australia proudly manufactures Volvo and Mack Trucks locally at its facility in Wacol QLD, which supports 120+ local suppliers and injects >$400million AUD annually into the local economy. Since July 2026, certified Australian-Made Volvo Electric heavy-duty trucks are also built here.

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BCSD Australia is a national business network helping companies translate sustainability ambition, regulation and global frameworks into practical implementation. As the Australian Network Partner of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), we connect Australian business with international practice, emerging policy and peer collaboration across climate, nature, circularity, equity and corporate performance and accountability.

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Sustainability & Innovation Initiatives

1. Policy → Implementation

✓ BCSD Australia translates emerging Australian and international sustainability policy, regulation and frameworks into practical business implications and implementation pathways. Our work spans climate, nature, circularity, equity and corporate performance and accountability.

2. Member Implementation & Accountability

✓ We support businesses through practical implementation frameworks, maturity tools, peer exchange, reporting support and decision intelligence — helping organisations understand what to do, how to implement it, how to evidence progress and what to do next.

3. Global → Australia Collaboration

✓ As WBCSD's Australian Network Partner, BCSD Australia connects Australian companies with international frameworks, global business practice and collaborative initiatives. This includes helping Australian businesses engage with developments across the WBCSD network and major international processes such as COP31.

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