

# GLOBAL BEVERAGE CAN CIRCULARITY ALLIANCE COLLABORATION GUIDELINES

## 1. Purpose and Structure

The Global Beverage Can Circularity Alliance ("the Alliance") is a project of the International Aluminium Institute (IAI). It operates under the IAI's strategic priority to:

- *Highlight the high rates of aluminium recycling. Inform about future scrap availability. Facilitate collaborative work to further improve rates of recycling and transparency of performance.*

The Alliance provides a space for companies and organizations to work together on circularity initiatives specific to aluminium beverage cans.

Participation is voluntary. Joining the Alliance does not mean joining the IAI and does not come with governance or voting rights within IAI structures.

## 2 Shared Goals

### Vision

Achieve full global circularity of aluminium beverage cans by 2050, in alignment with the IEA Net Zero 2050 scenario.

### Mission

Increase global recycling rates for aluminium beverage cans to at least 80% by 2030 and approach 100% by 2050, with a focus on achieving closed-loop (can-to-can) recycling.

### Strategy

1. Design and deploy strategic advocacy efforts, particularly through international diplomacy and multilateral engagement.
2. Unite and support like-minded companies to identify and pursue projects and investment opportunities in recycling infrastructure for aluminium cans.
3. Improve data collection, drive recycling target-setting, and advocate for implementation of effective, evidence-based policies.

4. Maintain a regularly updated global overview of aluminium beverage can recycling progress, challenges, and opportunities.
5. Support countries and regions considering Deposit Return Systems (DRS), Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), or other policy instruments to accelerate recycling outcomes.

### **3 Participation**

#### **3.1 Who Can Join**

There are three participant categories:

##### **Corporate Members - Companies**

Must belong to one of the four recognized industry groups:

1. Aluminium production (must be IAI members)
2. Rolling mills
3. Can manufacturers
4. Brands and fillers

Participate with voting rights and pay fees.

##### **Recycling and Waste Management Companies**

Participate without voting rights but must pay fees.

##### **Associative Members - Industry associations, NGOs, and trade groups**

Participate without voting rights or fees.

#### **3.2 Joining Process**

Organizations interested in joining the Alliance can submit a simple expression of interest to the IAI.

IAI reviews all applications and determines eligibility based on the participation categories outlined above. Approved participants will be welcomed on a rolling basis.

IAI reserves the right to decline membership applications at its discretion, including but not limited to where alignment with IAI's objectives or the structure is not met.

### **3.3 Participation Fees**

Corporate Members and Recycling / Waste Management Companies pay US\$10,000 per year.

Fees are due by December 31 for the following year.

Late payment will be treated as a withdrawal unless the IAI is notified in advance.

Fees are non-refundable.

Additional fees may be proposed on an ad hoc basis to support specific projects or activities. These must be approved by a vote of Corporate Members before they are invoiced.

Associative members do not pay fees.

## **4. Voting and Decisions**

Only Corporate Members have voting rights.

Each Corporate Member gets one vote.

The Alliance aims for consensus.

If needed, decisions are made by majority vote.

In the event of a tie, the proposal is considered approved.

## **5. Withdrawal**

Members may leave at any time.

After withdrawal:

- Voting and participation rights end.
- Use of Alliance name or materials must stop, unless otherwise approved by IAI.

## **6. Meetings**

The Alliance meets regularly online and holds at least one in-person meeting per year.

IAI facilitates all meetings and shares informal meeting notes afterward.

## **7. Role of the International Aluminium Institute (IAI)**

IAI acts as a facilitator and neutral coordinator.

IAI chairs meetings and manages administrative tasks.

IAI does not vote on Alliance matters.

## **8. Making Changes to These Guidelines**

Proposed changes are discussed during the annual in-person meeting.

Updates require a majority agreement among Corporate Members.

## **9. Acknowledgment**

To ensure shared understanding and alignment, we kindly ask all companies to read these guidelines. By signing below, you confirm that you have read and understood the Collaboration Guidelines and agree to follow them as part of our shared commitment to effective collaboration.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_