

Technical Working Group - Terms of Reference

Living Future Institute Australia (LFIA) context

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| <p>Values</p> <p>Courage We challenge the status quo</p> | <p>Vision <i>“A socially just, culturally rich, and ecologically restorative future” - ILFI</i></p> |
| <p>Inclusion We offer opportunities for all</p> <p>Inspiration We inspire new practices</p> | <p>Mission To provoke others into doing remarkable things and show the world what good looks like in building, community and organisational development.</p> |

What if every single act of design and construction made the world a better place?

1. Background

The Living Building Challenge[®] (LBC) is the built environment’s most rigorous performance standard. It calls for the creation of building projects at all scales that operate as cleanly, beautifully, and efficiently as nature’s architecture. To be certified under the Challenge, projects must meet a series of ambitious performance requirements, over a minimum of 12 months of continuous occupancy.

The LBC consists of seven performance categories or “petals”: Place, Water, Energy, Health & Happiness, Materials, Equity and Beauty. Each Petal is subdivided into Imperatives, for a total of twenty Imperatives in the Challenge. The Imperatives can be applied to almost every conceivable building project, of any scale and any location—be it a new building or an existing structure.

The LBC and associated programs are developed and administered from the International Living Future Institute (ILFI) in Seattle, USA. As a result, work is required to adapt the standard and associated programs to the Australian context and provide feedback to the ILFI as it continues to develop the LBC.

In addition, as more LBC projects emerge in Australia, this group may be best placed to provide advisory services to projects to enable their success.

2. Role/Purpose

The Technical Working Group (TWG) will be made up of a diverse range of professionals with a deep technical knowledge of sustainability and regenerative design in the Australian built environment context.

This includes:

- Architects
- Developers
- Consultants
- Builders
- Product Manufacturers
- Other professionals involved in the design and construction of new buildings or major refurbishments across all building sectors

LFIA's TWG has the following objectives:

1. Help contextualise the Living Building Challenge, and associated programs, namely Declare and Just (hereinafter collectively referred to as Living Future programs), to the Australian context.
2. Provide advice regarding crosswalks with other Australian certifications
3. Provide feedback to the ILFI as it continuously improves Living Future programs
4. Advocate for and generally further the reach and uptake of the Living Future programs

3. General Terms

1. The TWG will be made up of LFIA members.
2. In the interests of transparency, all members of the group will be publicly listed on our website along with these terms of reference.
3. There will be an appointed chairperson and vice chair.
4. The group is expected to convene a minimum of one, and maximum of 6 times a year. The frequency is likely to be quarterly unless there is pressing business.
5. A majority of working group members and the chair or vice chair must be present for the meeting to commence.
6. Meetings will take place over teleconference and email will be used for communication.



7. Confidentiality agreements must be completed before commencement
8. No party with vested interest can be a member working group and all conflicts of interest must be declared in a timely manner.
9. Any intellectual property developed with the TWG vests with the LFIA
10. We may remove or appoint a member at any time

4. What we ask of Technical Working Group Members?

1. Support LFIA aims and objectives
2. Commit to a term of 1 year, with 3 possible renewals
3. Prepare for and attend working group meetings
4. Understand and comply with the organisations policies and procedures, including anti-discrimination, health and safety, privacy and confidentiality
5. This is a voluntary position. This means that you perform all duties on a voluntary basis, of your own free will, and you will not receive payment for your work. You are not an employee of Living Future Institute of Australia and you are not entitled to a salary or any other entitlements associated with employment.

5. What you can expect

1. Purpose driven work at the leading edge of regenerative design and construction
2. Learning from industry leaders both on the TWG and through LFIA capacity building activities
3. LFIA Membership for the duration of your appointment on the working group