

Qisda Climate Lobbying Report 2023

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1. Lobbying

Qisda actively participates in various associations to strengthen the industrial linkage and development. The company continuously focusing important issues ¹ including M&A, industrial development, technology innovation, corporate governance, and sustainable environment.

In response to important international initiatives and the impact of climate change, Qisda actively participates in climate action organizations, such as joining RE100 in 2022, Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), Taiwan Climate Partnership (TCP), Commonwealth Sustainability League, etc. It also promised to fully use renewable electricity by 2040, and to reach net zero emissions by 2050, to keep in line with international trends and practice the goal of corporate sustainability.

2. Climate policy principles

Qisda has published the " Qisda Climate Change Statement " in June 2023, disclosing its goals, guidelines, and strategies for addressing climate change. As a global leader in information technology and healthcare, Qisda understands the impact of human activities on the environment is irreversible,

¹ Qisda focuses on major issues and participates in public associations and organizations. The Corporate Communications Office compiles and evaluates participation in these associations and organizations, reporting regularly to the President to effectively influence public policy. However, Qisda remains politically neutral and does not make political donations. In the past four years (2020-2023), the company has made no political donations or expenditures related to elections or referendums. Additionally, in 2023, there were no direct lobbying activities related to climate issues.



so it promotes carbon management with climate strategies of "green products", "green operations" and "green supply chain". We spread our experience to the related enterprises of Grand Fleet and upstream and downstream partners to create mutual benefits and steadily move towards the long-term goal of "2050 net zero emissions".

We support policies that share the same goals as the Paris Agreement and will distance ourselves from those who do not agree with the Paris Agreement. If a participating public association formulates or promotes a policy that is inconsistent with the Paris Agreement, we will communicate with it and formulate a clear revision timetable and procedure. If a consensus cannot be reached, we will leave the association and organization and form proactive coalitions to counter the non-Paris-aligned lobbying.

3. Trade associations

In response to important international initiatives and the impact of climate change, Qisda actively participates in climate action organizations, such as joining RE100 in 2022, Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), Taiwan Climate Partnership (TCP), CommonWealth Sustainability League, ESG Technology Innovation Promotion Alliance, etc.

In 2023, Qisda participated in approximately 30 public associations at home and abroad, with a total expenditure of about NT\$ 6.52 million, and the cumulative total expenditure from 2020 to 2023 was NT\$ 12.81 million.

4. Assessment methodology

Qisda conducts climate change stance assessments for the domestic and overseas public associations we participate in, including:

- Identify which organizations that are active and influential in the discussion and development of climate policy.
- Confirm whether the participating organizations have a clear climate policy.
- Review the organization's climate-related statements, positions, and activities.
- Assess whether the organization's policy positions, and advocacy actions are consistent, partially consistent, or inconsistent with supporting the Paris Agreement.
- If there is a discrepancy, we will communicate to establish a clear timeline and procedure for correction. If consensus cannot be reached, we will withdraw from the association or organization and form proactive coalitions to counter the non-Paris-aligned lobbying.

5. Criteria for inclusion

Qisda participated in a total of 30 domestic and overseas public associations in 2023, about one-fourth of which are actively involved in climate action, and public associations that have not expressed their views or participated are not included in this assessment report. There are a total of 8 public associations included in the evaluation, the list is as follows:

Name of the Association/Organization	Member	Director
RE100	■	
Taiwan Climate Partnership (TCP)	■	■
CommonWealth Sustainability League	■	
ESG Technology Innovation Promotion Alliance	■	
SBTi (Science Based Targets initiative)	■	
TCSA Center for Corporate Sustainability (TCSA CCS)	■	
Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD Taiwan)	■	
Association of Taiwan Bio-based and Sustainable Material Industry (TBSM)	■	■

6. Summary of assessment findings

After an assessment, the policy positions and advocacy actions of the eight organizations were judged to be consistent with supporting the Paris Agreement, and they are actively taking action to help achieve a net zero future.

These organizations all acknowledge the risks of climate change, publicly issue statements and positions in support of net zero future, and advocate for specific climate policies and meaningful actions to reduce carbon emissions.

Details are as follows:

RE100

RE100 is the global corporate renewable energy initiative bringing together hundreds of large and ambitious businesses committed to 100% renewable electricity. Led by Climate Group, RE100's mission is to accelerate change towards zero carbon grids at scale.

At COP28 in Dubai in 2023, over 100 governments pledged to triple global



renewable energy by 2030. Led by the EU, US, and UAE, this aims to decarbonize energy. However, policy barriers remain. RE100's recent policy paper assesses G20 countries' challenges in renewable energy availability, accessibility, and affordability.

Taiwan Climate Partnership (TCP)

The Taiwan Climate Partnership (TCP), as outlined in its charter, is a non-profit social organization established in accordance with the law. Its mission is to strengthen the attention of Taiwanese businesses and society to climate issues. The alliance leads by example through the ICT industry supply chain, connecting internationally to collectively promote Taiwan's response to climate change with positive force.

TCP invites relevant government officials to participate in its major events. For instance, in 2023, events included the first annual general meeting, the inauguration press conference of the Taiwan Climate Academy, and the International Forum on Net Zero City Expo. TCP consistently advocates for the implementation of carbon pricing, particularly in the formulation of climate change adaptation laws, while also soliciting public input to align with the spirit of international climate conventions, meeting the short, medium, and long-term development needs of Taiwan's ICT industry.

CommonWealth Sustainability League

The CommonWealth Sustainability League is Taiwan's primary corporate sustainability community and a platform for entrepreneurs to exchange, share, and learn together.

In 2023, CommonWealth Sustainability League held the inaugural "Corporate 1.5°C Forum" and released the "Corporate Carbon Reduction Thermometer," with 94 companies already meeting the 1.5°C target. This platform will continue to urge more existing and new companies to commit to the 1.5°C target, track and review each company's actual reduction rates annually, and compare their carbon emissions' Business as Usual (BAU) paths with their committed reduction paths to prevent "over-commitment" or "greenwashing."

ESG Technology Innovation Promotion Alliance

The ESG Technology Innovation Promotion Alliance, initiated by several tech companies in Taiwan, supports innovative competitions in response to climate change, including "Agro-fishery Innovation" and "Energy-saving and



Carbon-reduction Innovation," aiming to mitigate the impacts of extreme weather events.

In 2023, the ESG Technology Innovation Promotion Alliance hosted the IMV Technology Innovation Award Competition, selecting 18 innovative teams in "Agro-fishery Innovation" and "Energy-saving and Carbon-reduction Innovation." The alliance continues to facilitate corporate matchmaking and promote innovative circular economy to address climate risk challenges.

SBTi

The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) aims to encourage companies to set science-based emission reduction targets to help limit global warming to no more than 1.5°C.

4,205 companies and financial institutions with science-based targets validated by the SBTi by the end of 2023. There was a 102% increase in the number of companies with science-based targets by the end of 2023 compared to the end of 2022. Companies with science-based targets or commitments increased from 37% to 39% of global market cap.

TCSA Center for Corporate Sustainability (TCSA CCS)

TCSA CCS aims to work with industry leaders to "nurture benchmark enterprises, lead social core values, and pass on sustainable missions." By participating, Qisda strengthens its execution of corporate sustainability training.

In 2023, various seminars and forums were held, covering topics such as the "Climate Change Response Act," analysis of CBAM development and implementation, ESG practices of international sustainable model companies, and the Taiwan Corporate ESG Practices Forum. Through case studies and sharing, these events aim to assist members and sustainability partners in responding to climate change and taking net-zero actions.

Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD Taiwan)

BCSD Taiwan, the local partner of GRI in Taiwan, plays a crucial role in translating and disseminating GRI's updated guidelines in Chinese. Additionally, it organizes workshops to gather feedback on GRI drafts, providing valuable insights from Taiwanese enterprises to GRI for reference.



Moreover, BCSD Taiwan collaborates long-term with CDP and TCG in domestic advocacy efforts.

"Energy and Climate Change" is one of the four major focus areas for BCSD Taiwan, as outlined in its 2021 long-term strategic framework. "Corporate Climate Action" is one of the key initiatives within this framework. BCSD Taiwan assists Taiwanese businesses by offering energy-saving diagnostics and solutions, while also collaborating with the government on knowledge-sharing programs to address the global warming issue through practical measures.

Association of Taiwan Bio-based and Sustainable Material Industry (TBSM)

Association of Taiwan Bio-based and Sustainable Material Industry (TBSM) promotes the application of Taiwan's bio-based and sustainable materials industry. Through an information exchange platform among industry, government, and academia, the association enhances the technical development of the sustainable materials industry, ensuring the sustainable development of Taiwan's bio-based and sustainable materials sector.

In 2023, a Sustainable Circular Materials Exchange Meeting was held to discuss topics such as promoting net-zero practices and the application of bio-based materials in environmentally friendly polymers. The "Compostable Plastics Recycling Forum" was also organized to share domestic and international recycling cases of sustainable materials and present research findings. Additionally, an International Conference on Trends and Developments of Sustainable Materials was held to continue promoting the exchange and development of green sustainable materials.