

### TEMPLATE

**PROJECT ANNUAL REPORT FORM** 

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# **SUMMARY**

Gold Standard Design Certified Projects are required to submit annual reports to share progress, key updates and confirm that the project is active. This template provides a standardised form to complete annual reporting. The annual reports are required for each monitoring year for which verification is not completed by the end of the following calendar year (section 5.1. (d), Annual Reporting, Gold Standard for the Global Goals <u>Principles and Requirements</u>). The Project Developer shall upload annual reports on the SustainCERT App.

## 1| SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY:

- 1.1.1 | The annual report form is applicable to all Gold Standard standalone projects and voluntary project activities (VPAs) of all scales. In case of a Programme of Activities, the Coordinating/Managing Entity may submit one combined annual report for multiple VPAs.
- 1.1.2 | A/R Projects Only If the project is certified according to the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), the Certification Status replaces the completion of this template. Please provide the FSC Audit Report and provide a reference to this supporting document in section 3| of this template. In addition, please provide evidence on how the project demonstrates conformity to Gold Standard Safeguarding Principle 3.8.1 on Water (FSC Certification is not deemed as evidence that this Principle is met). For further guidance refer to

## **Gold Standard**

Climate Security and Sustainable Development

the section "FSC Dual Certification" in the Land Use and Forests Activity Requirements.

### 2| ENTRY INTO FORCE

- 2.1.1 | The annual report form:
  - a. is available for use by all projects from its release date.
  - b. shall be used for annual reports submitted after 15/11/2022.

### 3| TIMING FOR ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSION

- 3.1.1 | As per section 5.1 of the Principles and Requirements, annual reports:
  - a. are due until end of next calendar year for which the verification is not completed.
  - b. Are still required by the end of the calendar year if a verification is in progress but not complete.

#### For example:

Examples - Project Status	Annual report submission
No monitoring report submitted yet, project start date in 2019	by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 January 2019	by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 December 2019	by end of 2020
Verification report submitted for monitoring period 01 June 2018 to 31 May 2019	for 01 June 2019 to 31 December 2020 by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 December 2019, last annual report covering 01 December 2019 to 01 December 2020	by end of 2021

3.1.2 | The Project Developer shall upload the annual report(s) on the SustainCERT App to complete the submission. <u>Note that the annual report shall be made</u> <u>public upon submission</u>.

### 1| **PROJECT(S) INFORMATION**

*Please identify the project activity, Programme of Activity, and/or Voluntary Project Activity/ies (henceforth called 'project') and the reporting period to which this annual report applies.* 

<ul> <li>1.1   Title of Project/ VPA(s)</li> <li>If you are submitting an annual report for a project or number of VPAs, please include the name of the all VPAs as well.</li> <li>1.2   GS ID(s)</li> <li>1.3   GS Registry project link(s)</li> </ul>	Zoba Anseba Community Safe Water (VPA 122-126, 129-130)         GS5951-5955, GS6041-6042         https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1456         https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1040         https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1041         https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1041	
	https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1042 https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1457 https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1053 https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1054	
<b>1.4</b> Date of completion of the report	13/12/2022	
<b>1.5</b> Which monitoring period is the annual report being submitted for?	01/12/2021 - 30/11/2022	
<ul> <li><b>1.6</b> Is a verification in progress for this monitoring period?</li> <li>Annual reports are still required by the end of the calendar year if a verification is in progress but not complete.</li> <li>Refer to Principles and Requirements 5.1.39 and 5.1.42</li> </ul>	□ Yes ⊠ No	
<b>2 ANNUAL REPORT</b> <i>Please use this section to provide a brief summary of the progress of the project(s) during the reporting period and a summary of the monitoring information obtained.</i>		

<b>1.7</b> Has the project been actively	🛛 Yes
implemented/operated during the monitoring period (Q1.5)	□ No
	If no, please elaborate:

<ul> <li>1.8   Please list the recent activities, events and actions related to the project that summarize the project's progress during the monitoring period this report refers to.</li> <li>This may include milestones in implementation, calibration of equipment, carrying out of surveys or monitoring activities, Host Country approvals, etc. Refer to: <u>Principles and Requirements</u> 5.1.42.(a)</li> </ul>		and Wa	Monitoring (Pro ater Quality Test pairs activities w	s. Staff training			
<b>1.9</b> Have there been any changes		🗆 Yes	□ Yes				
	to the continuous input/grievance mechanism		🛛 No				
during the monitoring period this report refers to?		<i>If yes, please ensure that all stakeholders are informed of the new way to provide continuous inputs or file grievances.</i>					
1.10   Has th			🗆 Yes	🗆 Yes			
	input/feedback or grievance provided by stakeholders after		🖂 No				
the validation stage and during the monitoring period this report refers to? Refer to Principles and Requirements		If yes,	please fill out th	ie table below.			
5.1.42.(c)	C+	akabak	dor Eng	agement Repo			
Date	Comment	Action		Response	Responsible	Issue	
		from Projec Owner	t	From Project Owner	person for the issue	resolved?	
DD/MM/YYYY	Describe the comment received	<i>Changes</i> <i>expected by the</i> <i>stakeholder</i>		<i>How you will resolve the issue/ Whether you find the issue relevant to be addressed</i>	Person who will take/took the responsibility for resolving and monitoring of the issue	□ Yes □ No	
						🗆 Yes	
						□ No	
						□ Yes	
						□ No	

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<b>1.11</b> Have there been any incidents	Yes
or events that may impact the	⊠ No
Outcomes/Impacts delivered to	
date (in terms of loss) or the	If yes, please elaborate:
ongoing Performance of the	
Project.	
Refer to <u>Principles and Requirements</u>	
5.1.4.2.(d) <b>1.12</b> Have any legal	🗆 Yes
contests/disputes arisen related	
to the project?	⊠ No
Refer to Principles and Requirements	If yes, please elaborate:
5.1.4.2.(e)	
	Yes
<b>1.13</b> Have there been any updates to the Key Project Information,	⊠ No
Project Design Document,	If was placed refer to the section Errort Deference a
Monitoring & Reporting Plan?	If yes, please refer to the section Error! Reference s ource not found. below
Refer to Principles and Requirements	<u>ource net round</u> sciew
5.1.4.2.(f)	
<b>1.14</b> Please provide a summary of the monitoring information	Quality of drinking water from boreholes included in the project with Lab testing approved by the Eritrean
collected during the year.	Government. Pumps are checked by the in-country
Please only provide information on those	team and repaired/maintained if any breakdown
indicators monitored during the reporting period. Indicators monitored once per	occurs. Usage rate also has been assessed trough surveys with the end-users.
monitoring period are not necessary to be	surveys with the end-users.
included here.	
Refer to Principles and Requirements 5.1.42.(g)	Project Survey and Usage Survey were conducted
	between 09/08/2022 and 13/08/2022
	WCFTs were conducted between 13/08/2022 and 17/08/2022
	Water Quality Tests were conducted in July 2022.
	Yes
<b>1.15</b> (For LUF projects) Have there	
been any updates to the 'Project Participants and	
Secured Titles?'	N/A
Please ensure that at all times the project	
is in compliance with section 2 (b) of the Land Use and Forests Activity	
Requirements.	
Refer to Principles and Requirements	
5.1.4.2.(h)	
31 SUPPORTING DOCUMENT	TATION / EVIDENCE

# 3| SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION/EVIDENCE

<b>0.16</b> Please list any supporting documentation or evidence provided along with this annual report	N/A
Refer to Principles and Requirements 5.1.4.2.(f)	

### 4| DECLARATION OF CORRECT PROJECT INFORMATION

☑ I, the undersigned, attest to the accuracy of the information provided in this Annual Report

 $\boxtimes$  I, the undersigned, understand that annual reporting does not represent certification nor any decision-making or agreement to any design change by gold standard. Annual reporting is intended as an opportunity to share progress and track key updates and confirms to Gold Standard that the project remains active. With formal review of conformity to requirements; any changes in approach shall be undertaken at performance certification only.

Project Developer/Representative Entity	CO2balance UK Ltd.
Signatory names	
The signatory shall be an individual with legal signing authority within the Project Developer's organization Refer to <u>Principles and Requirements</u> 5.1.43	James Walker
Signature	
The Project Developer shall attest to the accuracy of the information provided by its signature on the Annual Report Refer to <u>Principles and Requirements</u> 5.1.43	Jhi (

#### **DOCUMENT HISTORY**

Version	Date	Description
1.0	01/07/2017	Initial Adoption
1.1	01/03/2018	Editorial changes
2.0 16/08/2022	<ul> <li>Introduced a checklist format with guidance and references.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Added clarification on timelines and conditions for submission of annual reports and other communication to Gold Standard.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Changed title to differentiate from other annual report templates.</li> </ul>	