

# Item 11 – GRI Topic Standard Project for Economic Impact – Proposed public comment questionnaire for Public Policy exposure draft

## For GSSB information and discussion

<b>Date</b>	26 August 2025
<b>Meeting</b>	18 September 2025
<b>Project</b>	GRI Topic Standard Project for Economic Impact
<b>Description</b>	<p>This document contains a draft public comment questionnaire for the exposure draft on Public Policy. The draft Standard is part of the GRI Topic Standard Project for Economic Impact, which will be submitted to the GSSB for information at the September 2025 meeting.</p> <p>An open questionnaire will be set up online to collect public feedback. This document sets out the proposed questions to be included in the feedback questionnaire.</p>

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# 1 Survey

## 2 Introduction

3 Thank you for taking part in this public consultation.

4 The GRI Public Policy Topic Standard exposure draft (the exposure draft) has been published *for*  
5 *public comment by the* [Global Sustainability Standards Board \(GSSB\)](#), the independent standard-  
6 setting body of GRI, in line with the [GSSB Due Process Protocol](#). Using this online questionnaire, any  
7 interested party can submit comments on the exposure drafts.

8 Note: the exposure draft is published for public consultation only, and the content may change before  
9 the final version of the Standard is released for use.

10 **Access the GRI Public Policy exposure draft at the following link:**

- 11 • [GRI Topic Standard for Public Policy](#)

12 Please provide all feedback in English. If using these survey questions or commenting in English is  
13 not feasible, please contact [economicimpact@globalreporting.org](mailto:economicimpact@globalreporting.org) for support.

14 **Useful information for providing your feedback**

- 15 • Please read through the exposure drafts in their entirety before submitting your responses.
- 16 • You are welcome to provide feedback on either one of the exposure drafts or on both drafts.
- 17 • You don't have to answer all the questions in the questionnaire, only those relevant to you.  
18 Questions marked with an asterisk (\*) must be answered before you can proceed. You can go  
19 back to the previous page to review or change your responses.
- 20 • The survey's final question allows you to submit additional comments or suggestions.  
21 Additionally, feedback on the relevance of disclosures, reporting difficulties, and data  
22 availability is welcome.
- 23 • After completing the questionnaire, a copy of your responses will be emailed to you.
- 24 • When responding to the questions, please provide, where possible:
  - 25 ○ the line number(s) of the text or reference number of the disclosure that your  
26 comment concerns;
  - 27 ○ a rationale or supporting explanation for your comment;
  - 28 ○ an alternative wording suggestion if relevant;
  - 29 ○ any relevant authoritative instruments or information on further resources;
  - 30 ○ information on where we can access further resources.

31 For more information about the project, please visit the [GRI Standards website](#). **If you have any**  
32 **questions or queries regarding providing feedback via questionnaire or the public**  
33 **consultation period, please email** [economicimpact@globalreporting.org](mailto:economicimpact@globalreporting.org).

## 34 Respondent details

35 As required by the [GSSB Due Process Protocol](#), all comments received in English will be reviewed  
36 and considered a matter of public record.

37 Comments will be anonymously published on the GRI website. These comments will be used  
38 internally by the GSSB to analyze the public feedback on the topics under the Public Comment  
39 Period. Your personal details will not be used or processed by GRI for any other purpose except to  
40 inform the development of the Topic Standards. For more information on GRI's privacy policy, click  
41 [here](#).

42 **Please confirm whether you agree to have your name (for individual submissions) or your**  
43 **organization's name (for organizational submissions), country, and stakeholder constituency**  
44 **included along with your comments for the GSSB's internal consideration. If you do not agree,**  
45 **your comments will not be expressly considered by the GSSB. \***

- 46 • Agree
- 47 • Do not agree

48 **Please confirm whether you agree to GRI contacting you to clarify your responses and/or to**  
49 **follow up on comments submitted through this survey. \***

- 50 • Agree
- 51 • Do not agree

52 **First name \***

53 **Last name \***

54 **Are you responding on behalf of an organization? \***

- 55 • Yes
- 56 • No

57 **Organization name \***

58 **Email address \***

59 **Country – Please indicate the country you/your organization represent/s. \***

60 **Constituency \*** [Academic / Assurance provider / Business / Consultant / Government / Investor /  
61 Labor representative / Market regulator / Non-governmental organization / Rating agency / Standard  
62 setter / Stock exchange / Student / Trade or industry association / Other (please specify)]

63 *Note that if this submission is on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization will be*  
64 *published, and not the name of the person making this submission.*

## 65 **Survey questions for the public policy draft**

66 *The following questions are in reference to the draft of the revised Public Policy Topic Standard,*  
67 *which can be found [here](#).*

68 *The exposure draft of the revised Public Policy Topic Standard includes five disclosures about the*  
69 *organization's public policy-related impacts, and how it manages these impacts.*

70 *Each disclosure contains requirements accompanied by guidance. Guidance includes background*  
71 *information, explanations, and examples to help the organization better understand the requirements.*  
72 *Guidance also includes recommendations. These are cases where a particular course of action is*  
73 *encouraged but not required. The word 'should' indicates a recommendation, and the word 'can'*  
74 *indicates a possibility or option. The organization is not required to comply with guidance.*

### 75 **Question 1: Disclosure PP-1 Public policy position**

76 What is your feedback regarding PP-1 Public policy position?

77 Please explain your response. Be as specific as possible and provide suggestions for improvement.  
78 Please include the specific disclosures, requirements, examples, and line number(s) where  
79 appropriate.

### 80 **Question 2: Disclosure PP-2 Public policy alignment**

81 What is your feedback regarding Disclosure PP-2 Public policy alignment?

82 Please explain your response(s). Be as specific as possible and provide suggestions for  
83 improvement. Please include the specific disclosures, requirements, examples, and line number(s)  
84 where appropriate.

### 85 **Question 3: Disclosure EP-3 Public policy engagement**

86 3.1. What is your feedback regarding Disclosure PP-3 Public policy engagement?  
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88 3.2. As part of requirement PP-3-b-i, should organizations report the identities of non-public authority  
89 individuals, such as high-profile business leaders, influencers, and ultra-high-net-worth  
90 individuals, who are engaged in public policy activities and may influence decision-makers?

91 3.3. As part of requirement PP-3-b-ii, is the reporting of the total monetary value of expenditure  
92 incurred for public policy engagement activities appropriate? Should organizations also report  
93 additional indicators, such as staff time allocated to public policy engagement or the number of  
94 meetings with policymakers?

95 Please explain your response. Be as specific as possible and provide suggestions for improvement.  
96 Please include the specific disclosures, requirements, examples, and line number(s) where  
97 appropriate.

### 98 **Question 4**

99 *The exposure draft of the revised GRI Public Policy Standard includes a table to support*  
100 *organizations in reporting the information required under Disclosure PP-3.*

101 Is the table clear? If not, please provide the table number, explain why, and provide a proposal.

### 102 **Question 5**

103 Is there any information missing from the exposure draft of the revised GRI Public Policy Standard  
104 that is essential for understanding and communicating an organization's public policy-related impacts  
105 and how it addresses them?

106 Please explain your response. Be as specific as possible and provide suggestions for improvement.  
107 Please include the specific disclosures, requirements, examples, and line number(s) where  
108 appropriate.

109 **Question 6**

110 Do you have any additional feedback regarding the Public Policy Topic Standard that you think is  
111 important for us to be aware of?

112 *Thank you for taking part in this survey. We appreciate your time and value your input greatly. You*  
113 *will receive from Survey Monkey an email with a copy of your responses.*

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