

2022/NEW DELHI

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SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

LPG WEEK 2022



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SUSTAINABILITY

WHY SUSTAINABILITY TAKES THE STAGE AT LPG WEEK 2022

The United Nations launched its [Sustainable Development Agenda](#) in 2015, reflecting the growing understanding by Member States that a development model that is sustainable for this and future generations offers the best path forward for reducing poverty and improving the lives of people everywhere.

At the same time, [climate change](#) began making a profound impact on the consciousness of humanity. With the polar ice caps melting, global sea levels rising and cataclysmic weather events increasing in ferocity, no country in the world is safe from the effects of climate change.

Building a more [sustainable global economy](#) will help reduce the greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change. It is, therefore, critically important that the international community meet the UN's [Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#) – and also the targets for reducing emissions set in the [Paris Climate Agreement](#) of 2015.

Sustainable development and climate action are linked – and both are vital to the present and future well-being of humanity.

In the rapidly changing world with ecological impacts, it is obvious for **WLPGA and LPG Week** to engage in a sustainable development approach. The goal is to build a sustainable event and to reduce the social and environmental impact. With the start of the hybridisation of LPG Week during the pandemic, the event has become accessible online, and this has had a positive impact on the travel of participants.

LPG Week's sustainability actions in 2022 include:

- A speaker donation supporting Child Rights and You, an organisation ensuring happier and healthier childhoods for India's underprivileged children. On behalf of each speaker, a donation will be made to this impactful association.
- The spouse gift, a handmade pashmina produced locally by craftsmen.
- A drastic reduction in printed materials and the discontinuation of delegate bags.
- Improved waste management, with event waste being recycled.
- A significant reduction of meat on the various menus, prioritising local food and increasing vegetarian options.

These are just a couple of items of the long-term sustainability strategy that have been put in place for **LPG Week 2022**.

5 AXES OF 6 TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION FOR LPG WEEK 2022*



*The destination did not allow to consider the BioDiversity axe

WHY 5 OF THE 6 STRATEGIC AXES WERE APPLIED FOR LPG WEEK 2022

LPG Week 2022 adopted five of the six sustainability axes defined by WLPGA, reflecting a balance between Planet and People priorities. This selection was guided by the event's local context in New Delhi, logistical feasibility, and the goal of reducing both environmental and social impact in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The only axis not addressed — **Biodiversity** — was not feasible to implement given the urban destination and limited direct connection to the event's activities. The remaining five axes were applied where the event could make the most tangible impact.



THE FIVE AXES IN ACTION

1. Environmental Impact – Lower Carbon Footprint

Maintaining a hybrid format reduced international travel emissions, while local sourcing further supported SDGs 7 and 12.

2. Responsible Consumption – Work with Responsible Suppliers

Suppliers were selected for sustainable practices, with a focus on regional products and more vegetarian options (SDGs 3, 12, 13).

3. Waste – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Printed materials and delegate bags were eliminated, and recycling measures ensured a lower waste footprint.

4. Diversity, Equity, Accessibility & Safety – People First

The event supported Child Rights and You and maintained an inclusive and safe environment for all participants (SDGs 3, 4, 5, 10, 16).

5. Governance & Communication – Continuous Improvement

Transparent reporting, knowledge-sharing, and collaboration strengthened the event's long-term sustainability commitment (SDG 17).

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SUSTAINABILITY IN INDIA

Implementing a sustainability strategy in India was a challenge due to various parameters linked to the destination and the project itself.

Decisions had to be taken to optimise the strategy and focus on the segments and axes that could bring results this year. The following axes were in the end considered:

- Ensure participants' safety
- Ensure staff and workers' respect
- Ensure access to all
- Reduce waste
- Raise awareness of project stakeholders

SAFETY

Participants safety was a major part of the process.

Each venue used was inspected to ensure that the building met the construction and safety standards expected by the event stakeholders, mainly in terms of fire protection, evacuation, sanitary measures but also in terms of food safety.

In this respect, for safety reasons, it was decided to retain the use of plastic water bottles, as the quality of the water in the water dispensers was not guaranteed.

Total of plastic water bottles ordered during the event: **5468** (for 5 days and 2225 pax).



RESULTS OF THE OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVES



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT



Item	Goal for this year	Comment
Reduction of meat on menus	20% less compared to 2021	No beef and less meat compared to 2021
Local Food	80% of food produced locally	86% of food produced locally (= 1325kg out of 1711kg)
Vegetarian menus (for veg people)	Alternative for 100% of menus	Goal achieved
Vegetarian menus as part of the overall food proposal	5% of the menus are vegetarian only (in order to reduce meat consumption)	More than 5%

RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION



Item	Goal for this year	Comment
Code of Conduct	100% of suppliers to sign our Code of Conduct or have an equivalent Code of Conduct	We are missing some information to give final result
Limit the distance of transportation	For safety reasons, participants will be transported by bus. 100% of distances to travel are less than 15 km (except transfers to and from and to the airport)	Goal achieved
Energy consumption (transportation)	Vehicles are of recent technology and therefore less polluting: 80% of vehicles are less the 5 years old.	Goal achieved
Goodies – All goodies or other gifts are eco-responsible	100% goodies or other gifts are eco-responsible	No delegate bag (only a virtual one on the event app) Handmade pashmina for spouse gifts No plastic badge holder

VENUES LOCATION AND TRANSPORTATION

The different venues were selected to keep travel distances and transportation time to a minimum. The distance between the venues was reduced to less than 15 km (airport transfer not included).

To reduce fuel consumption as much as possible, only the latest generation of vehicles (less than 5 years old) were used for the transport of participants and staff members.

Local participants were able to join the congress centre by public transport. We estimate that 20% of the participants used public transport.

Reduction of distances
travelled by
15%
compared to the initial
implantation

WASTE



Item	Goal for this year	Comments
Food excessed	Less than 20% of food excessed	22% of food excessed (383Kg out of 1711kg)
Food wasted	Less than 2% of wasted food	43% of wasted food (262 kg)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND SAFETY



Item	Goal for this year	Comments
Physical Accessibility	100% Venues accessible to person with physical disabilities is guaranteed compared to the number of venues	Goal achieved
Accessibility	100% Congress sessions accessible to all	Majority of sessions available on <i>Swapcard</i>
Food allergies	The risks of allergy and food-related problems are controlled	All caterers displayed the allergens tags on buffets

GOVERNANCE & COMMUNICATION



Item	Goal for this year	Comments
Code Of Conduct	Ask all of our suppliers to sign event Code of Conduct or have a similar one.	Done
Sustainability Annual Report	Redaction of a sustainability report for LPG Week 2022.	Done