



# SUSTAINABLE PURCHASING LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

\*Please note that all times are in EST

<b>2025 Climate Foundations for Procurement</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Session Type</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Learning Objectives</b>
3/5/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Coaching Workshop	Climate Foundations (CF) Kick-off  CF-CW: Basics of the Program Approach	Overview of the program, get to know fellow participants to enable more effective group learning, and familiarize yourself with basic climate concepts and terminologies. Become familiar with the business case for procurement-focused climate action and the importance of engaging stakeholders early within a program approach. Begin to get exposure to internationally-recognized frameworks, and governance systems.
3/12/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Foundational Learning Session	CF-FL: Intro to the GHG Protocol & GHG Emissions Accounting	Become familiar with the GHG Protocol (WRI) and the scopes and categories which are relevant to procurement and supply chain. Understand how organizations are using the GHG Protocol to guide baselining, prioritizing, and reporting of GHG emissions.
3/19/25 11:00a – 12:00p	CF Peer Learning Circle	PLC – Session 1	Reinforce your understanding of the previous sessions through discussion and sharing of related challenges; brainstorm potential solutions for those challenges based on the cohort's collective experiences and knowledge.
3/26/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Coaching Workshop	CF-CW: Organizational Alignment & Planning	Understand the importance of aligning and integrating your strategic climate program within the context of existing organizational initiatives. Learn an approach for which to do so in your own organization.

March Self-led	Webinar (VOD)	Sustainable Purchasing Program Leaders	Gain exposure to award-winning, climate-focused strategic sustainable procurement programs.
4/2/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Foundational Learning Session	CF-FL: Practical Approaches for Managing & Reporting Data in your Climate Program	Understand what a baseline is and gain exposure to the different approaches (and limitations) to calculating them. Be able to recognize the data maturity path and resulting underlying data management processes that might be required for ongoing performance tracking. Become familiar with best practices and global challenges in an evolving Scope 3 GHG data reporting system.
4/9/25 11:00a – 12:00p	CF Peer Learning Circle	PLC – Session 2	Reinforce your understanding of the previous sessions through discussion and sharing of related challenges; brainstorm potential solutions for those challenges based on the cohort's collective experiences and knowledge.
4/16/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Coaching Workshop	CF-CW: Designing your Climate Program (Vision & Charter)	Understand the importance of a bold, long-term strategic vision for your climate program, and work with your peers to develop an initial draft and support prioritized focus areas in order to achieve it. Learn a strategic approach to comprehensively build this into a formal program which achieves impact- focused results and supports aligned initiatives and continuous improvement.
4/23/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Optional Tools Demo (LIVE)	OPTIONAL: Supplier GHG Reporting Platform DEMOS	See multiple live demos of commercially-available, third-party tools which can be used to collect, analyze, and report your suppliers' GHG data and ongoing performance.

<p>4/30/25 11:00a – 12:30p</p>	<p>Foundational Learning Session</p>	<p>CF-FL: Engaging Suppliers in GHG Reporting</p>	<p>Understand what it means to engage suppliers in GHG reporting, the benefits, and its importance. Become familiar with the stages of building supplier capacity to report GHG emissions, and the role that commitments play in that journey. Gain exposure to a third-party approach for collecting supplier data</p>
<p>April Self-led</p>	<p>Webinar (VOD)</p>	<p>Sourcing Low-Carbon Concrete</p>	<p>Learn more about the importance of taking action to address the climate impacts of concrete. Explore low-carbon options and hear how an institutional purchaser is integrating this procurement recommendation into their contracts for sourcing concrete.</p>
<p>5/7/25 11:00a – 12:30p</p>	<p>Coaching Workshop</p>	<p>CF-CW: Establishing Goals &amp; Metrics for your Climate Program</p>	<p>Learn the benefits of establishing goals and metrics for your climate program and related projects. Become familiar with an approach to strategically prioritize your goals for impact and feasibility, sharing and learning from your peers along the way.</p>
<p>5/14/25 11:00a – 12:30p</p>	<p>Foundational Learning Session</p>	<p>CF-FL: Understanding &amp; Setting Science Based Targets (SBTs)</p>	<p>Understand what a science-based target is, why it's important and the process for registering one through the Science-Based Targets Initiative (SBTi). Become familiar with target-setting calculation methodologies and their relationship with supplier data maturity.</p>
<p>5/21/25 11:00a – 12:00p</p>	<p>CF Peer Learning Circle</p>	<p>PLC – Session 3</p>	<p>Reinforce your understanding of the previous sessions through discussion and sharing of related challenges; brainstorm potential solutions for those challenges based on the cohort's collective experiences and knowledge.</p>

5/28/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Optional Tools Demo (LIVE)	OPTIONAL: Supplier GHG Reporting Platform DEMOS	See multiple live demos of commercially-available, third-party tools which can be used to collect, analyze, and report your suppliers' GHG data and ongoing performance.
May Self-led	Webinar (VOD)	Collaboration & Innovation for GHG Emissions	Hear how purchaser organizations are designing and participating in innovative collaborations for impact, and how you, to , can leverage collaboration to move at the pace and scale that the climate crisis requires.
6/3/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Foundational Learning Session	CF-FL: Evaluating & Purchasing Credible Offsets	Understand the definition of a carbon offset and why organizations might choose to use them to meet their climate goals. Gain exposure to how offsets are created and verified, in order to be able to evaluate and select a credible offset and provider.
6/11/25 11:00a – 12:30p	CF Peer Learning Circle	PLC – Session 4	Reinforce your understanding of the previous sessions through discussion and sharing of related challenges; brainstorm potential solutions for those challenges based on the cohort's collective experiences and knowledge.
6/18/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Climate Plan Report Out	SESSION 1	Each organization will be given 5-7 mins to "report out" on the strategic climate program plan that they have developed. Time will be allotted for Q&A to further facilitate sharing and receiving feedback from one another.
6/25/25 11:00a – 12:30p	Climate Plan Report Out	SESSION 2	Each organization will be given 5-7 mins to "report out" on the strategic climate program plan that they have developed. Time will be allotted for Q&A to further facilitate sharing and receiving feedback from one another.

June Self-led	Webinar (VOD)	Climate-friendly Refrigerants	Learn more about the importance of taking action to address the climate impacts of refrigerants, explore a toolkit available to support purchasers in taking action, and hear how an institutional purchaser is integrating the procurement recommendation into their contract for refrigerant-containing equipment.

\*SPLC expert team available for 1:1 support through office hours as needed.