

Promoting the Standard for Global Infrastructure Development

Blue Dot Network, a global initiative announced in November 2019 at the Indo-Pacific Business Forum in Bangkok, Thailand, seeks to promote the development of quality, sustainable, and safe infrastructure investments around the world. Through Blue Dot Network, participants from the public, private, and civil society sectors commit to supporting, financing, and building quality infrastructure projects that demonstrate and uphold global infrastructure principles as set out in the G20 Principles for Quality Infrastructure Investment, the G7 Charlevoix Commitment on Innovative Financing for Development, and the Equator Principles.

A Multi-Stakeholder Initiative

Partners in government, the private sector, and civil society are advancing excellence in global infrastructure through Blue Dot Network, an initiative that promotes high quality, trusted standards in development through an open and inclusive framework.

Blue Dot Network will evaluate and certify infrastructure projects based upon adherence to commonly accepted principles and standards.

- Market-Driven
- Socially and Environmentally Responsible
- Financially Sustainable
- Transparent and Accountable
- Open and Inclusive

A Blue Dot Network certification provides a recognized symbol that the project adheres to these high standards. The initiative will highlight infrastructure that serves communities and advances development.

Over time, Blue Dot Network will aim to raise standards in global infrastructure development, serve as a market signal for quality, and incentivize governments and the private sector to improve practices to obtain Blue Dot Network certification.



Blue Dot Network: Frequently Asked Questions

How will Blue Dot Network be governed?

A governing body comprised of development finance institutions and agencies that share a commitment to sustainable private sector-led infrastructure development will oversee governance, policies, and procedures.

Why are you creating new standards?

Blue Dot Network will use existing, globally agreed upon standards (through the G7, G20, OECD, World Bank, and Equator Principles) to certify quality infrastructure projects.

What are the benefits of Blue Dot Network for developing countries?

A developing country that agrees to implement Blue Dot Network standards will signal to local communities and businesses that it values high quality infrastructure that will benefit its people and avoid harm. By holding businesses and investors to a high standard, Blue Dot Network will provide countries more confidence that infrastructure projects comply with environmental and social safeguards.

What is the incentive for joining Blue Dot Network?

Blue Dot Network certifies that a project will meet high standards and provides private and public funding institutions information to help mitigate financing risks, while helping developing countries make decisions about the projects that best meet their needs and national interests.

By placing quality at the forefront of value-for-money considerations, this certification will improve the attractiveness of bids that can deliver effectively on safeguards and standards, rather than just those that offer the lowest cost for construction.

How does a project apply for Blue Dot Network certification?

Once Blue Dot Network is operational, projects seeking certification will complete an online application. Information provided in the application will be subject to preliminary and ongoing audit.

