



# VERGE HAWAII

asia pacific clean energy summit



**Engagement:**

- Conference content featured main stage presentations and conversations, breakouts, and facilitated networking opportunities among leaders in energy, sustainable business and policy in the Hawaiian community and beyond to help advance Hawaii's 100-percent clean energy goal by 2045 and much more.
- We asked attendees to help achieve the sustainability goals by taking public transportation when possible. To support this effort, GBG made available:
  - Public transportation timetables, maps, and routes
  - Secure bicycle and locker storage (offered by Hilton Hawaiian Village)
- Helping with recycling efforts by placing recyclable materials in recycling bins rather than trash
- Using a conference app in place of a paper conference program
- Minimizing food waste by taking only what they needed
- The Hilton Hawaiian Village participated in achieving the sustainability goals by offering sustainable food and beverage options, including:
  - All reusable dishware for food and beverage
  - Vegetarian and vegan catering options
  - Fish selected from certified sustainable fishing methods
  - Water pitchers and large dispensers instead of single-use plastic water bottles
  - Buffet meals instead of boxed lunches
  - Finger foods that were not individually wrapped and did not require utensils
  - Bulk dispensers for sugar, salt, pepper, cream, and other condiments
- Providing efficient and environmentally-minded conference venues, including:
  - Naturally lighted and ventilated spaces as well as using CFL or LED lighting when possible
  - Low flow fixtures on toilets and faucets
  - Using non-toxic cleaning supplies, such as Green Seal certified products
- Vendors and sponsors were asked to participate in achieving the sustainability goals by:
  - Minimizing paper materials and opting for electronic versions
  - Bringing reusable signage and booth materials

**Responsible sourcing:**

- The Hilton Hawaiian Village was essential to responsibly sourcing food and beverage (described in Engagement section above)
- GBG's partners were essential to responsibly sourcing energy (described in Engagement section above)
- GBG printed its signage, banners, and backdrops on 100% recycled PET fabric on reusable bamboo frames that we use at every event
- GBG printed its double-sided programs on FSC certified Mohawk Paper that was 100% post-consumer recycled, processed chlorine-free, and manufactured with wind power

**Waste reduction:**

- The Hilton Hawaiian Village, our partners, and our attendees were essential to reducing our waste (described in Engagement section above)
- We used reusable name badge holders for all attendee badges
- We used electronic communication for conference promotion, registration, announcements, and updates

**Resource conservation:**

The Hilton Hawaiian Village was essential to helping us to conserve resources (described in Engagement section above)