

**2026 PRME Chapter Annual Reviews (CARs)**  
**Summary Report**  
2-4 February

During the week of 2 February 2026, PRME hosted the fifth annual Chapter Reviews, to take stock of Chapter progress on goals set forth in the 2025 CARs, but importantly to look ahead at the priorities and opportunities to come in 2026. Four group reviews, of three to four Chapters each, were conducted. Fifteen of the seventeen Chapters delivered presentations and many Chapter Chairs came with Steering Committee Members. Members of the PRME Secretariat as well as members of the PRME Global Chapter Council (GCC) were present at each meeting.

A slide deck template (see **Appendix A**) was completed by each Chapter and submitted prior to the presentations. The GCC members had the opportunity to review these deliverables ahead of the presentations as well and prepare questions and suggestions.

The intention with group reviews is to promote peer learning and knowledge exchange, address common challenges, and identify collaboration opportunities. The progress, effort, and collaboration made by the Chapters in 2025, often despite challenging circumstances, was evident at the CARs and was recognized and admired by the GCC, Secretariat, and fellow Chapters. Below are some of the main takeaways from the review process:

- Expanding the Chapter listserv to include multiple contacts from each institution supports communication and engagement efforts and helps to reengage non-communicating signatories who may have disengaged due to a contact change or capacity issue.
- Establishing a newsletter which individuals can subscribe to is an effective way of building a mailing list of contacts which goes beyond the formal records held by the chapter and the global secretariat. Use the newsletter to introduce new members!
- Building relationships between Global Compact Networks and the Chapters is key to Chapter growth and supporting One Global Compact Initiatives.
- Common trends across reports focused on how to ensure membership growth, but the focus should shift more on market penetration rather than pure growth as that is a better indicator of “success.” We should conduct a market analysis of the number of Business Schools at the global and regional level which will allow us to track true progress.
- Aligning Annual General Meetings with other events in the region such as research or accreditation conferences can help support more engagement in the Chapter and cut down on travel costs for individuals who are limited in their yearly engagements.
- Commendation on the global engagement with SIP as evidenced by the [Global Insights Report](#) and reflected across the Chapter Annual Reviews. Offering Chapter level webinars and guidance helped support quality SIP reporting overall.
- Recommendation to commence a systematic approach to participation and impact metrics across Chapters, using the 2025 Annual Review Slidedeck Metrics Appendix as a point of reference. Data collection and management remains a key priority.

## Good practice Examples

**Chapter DACH** has formed a close relationship with Country Network Switzerland who maintains a policy that a new academic member must be a member of PRME to engage with UN Global Compact regional initiatives. The DACH Chapter also has new members introduce themselves in the newsletter which helps them meet and connect with the other Chapter signatories.

**Chapter Africa** has a PRME Student Leader on their steering committee to support student engagement efforts in the region. The Chapter has also prioritized funding their student leader to travel to important engagements such as COP to represent the student voice and the Chapter.

**Chapter Australia & New Zealand and Chapter Africa** continue to invest in work at Business School Deans level (i.e. BS4CL and ABDC) which helps to build profile and credibility within the sector.

**Chapter Poland** hosted a student competition that had over 100 submissions on how young people are already implementing sustainability goals. Strong promotional efforts including promotional videos went into making this competition a success which serves as a great model for increasing engagement at Chapter events.

**Chapters LAC, ASEAN+, and UK & Ireland** amongst others are increasing their focus on research initiatives that build PRME credibility with research communities. Examples include hosting webinars focused on research development and giving monetary awards to the top research papers at Annual General Meetings and convenings.

**Chapter UK & Ireland** has a member of Country Network UK and Country Network Ireland sit on their steering committee as an ex-officio member. Similarly, **Chapter LAC** has a member of Global Compact Network Colombia sit on their steering committee and serve as treasurer. This model supports collaboration and communication between the Global Compact Networks and the Chapters.

**Chapter Middle East** appointed Working Group leads on their steering committee for each Working Group. This is a strong model for other Chapters looking to connect with other PRME communities and stay informed.

## [Appendix A slides](#)

1. Key Figures
2. Governance & Organigram
3. Goals & Achievements in 2025
4. Goals & Outlook for 2026
5. Chapter Development Fund Management