

edge environment capability statement

sustainability facilitation, advice & communication

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A handshaking image over a blurred road background. The image shows two hands shaking in a firm grip, symbolizing agreement or partnership. The background is a blurred road with a dashed white line down the center, receding into the distance, creating a sense of motion and forward progress. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and greys, with the hands providing a natural skin tone contrast.

**catalysing change with
scientific integrity**



A research, consultancy and education business with a focus on the building industry and its related areas. Our staff are experienced in communicating complex science to organisations to bring about change.

services

edge environment works with organisations that want to make changes, organisations that are pioneers in their markets and who have the vision to see sustainability as the only viable path to long-term economic prosperity. edge environment offers facilitation, advice and communication services to help them change.

We appreciate that solving environmental problems often requires multi-disciplinary approaches and can involve a wide variety of stakeholders with different agendas, perspectives and attitudes. We use our facilitation skills coupled with rigorous scientific tools to help clients understand how sustainability affects their business and how they can make changes and prosper in a sustainable economy.

The services we offer are:

- **education (issues, policy and regulation)**
- **facilitation of environmental policies and sustainability strategies**
- **research and advice**
- **workshop delivery**

selection of projects

NT sustainable buildings strategy

edge environment recently completed a sustainable buildings strategy for the Northern Territory Department of Planning and Infrastructure. A key component of the development of the strategy was to engage the Northern Territory government stakeholders, as there was a wealth of in-house experience, ideas and knowledge that provided the foundations for a successful strategy. edge environment conducted stakeholder interviews and workshops facilitating a sustainable building strategy that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure is now rolling out to meet the challenges of developing a sustainable built environment in the Northern Territory.

department of housing research into transitional housing models

edge environment carried out research (on behalf of the NSW Department of Housing [Housing NSW]) into a housing model that can provide for people transitioning from homelessness or an institution, or an unfavourable housing situation into mainstream housing. A solution might be the Foyer model used in Europe and America. edge environment helped NSW Housing develop an understanding of the options available by providing international research and will continue to engage and support Housing NSW as they develop innovative solutions.

sustainability advantage programme facilitation

edge environment is working with the NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) to help businesses engage in sustainable practices through the Sustainability Advantage Programme. The Sustainability Advantage

Programme is a government/business partnership scheme funded by the DECC to develop sustainability leaders across industry and accelerate business sustainability initiatives. edge environment appreciates that good environmental performance reduces risk, lowers costs, improves productivity and enhances reputation, and is working with more than 30 companies to help them achieve this.

climate change module

edge environment is working with the DECC to help organisations measure their carbon footprint and analyse risks posed by climate change as well as the opportunities it presents. edge environment first helps companies develop their GHG inventory – a quantified list of GHG emissions and sources. Depending on their priorities, companies can focus on areas that include minimising their GHG footprint, climate change risk management and realising potential business opportunities. A second session helps participants to scope and begin preparation of their climate change strategy.

Atkar

edge environment recently facilitated a sustainability strategy for Atkar, a building products company. Atkar is committed to becoming an environmental performance leader in the building products industry. Atkar appreciated that in order to develop sustainable economies, fundamental change is required rather than re packing existing behaviours. edge environment facilitated an understanding of sustainability for Atkar, measured the environmental performance of their products using Life Cycle Assessment, and then used the results to identify where they could make the biggest change.