Research shows that ISEAL full membership is strongly linked to improved transparency, accessibility and rigour of a standards system.

TRANSPARENCY

ISEAL membership is an important factor in determining the transparency of a standards system.

**ANALYSIS OF IT’S STANDARDS MAP DATABASE INDICATES THAT ISEAL MEMBERSHIP IS:**

- 44% more likely to provide information on the use of independent, third-party verifiers for their standards
- 52% more likely to openly specify information on their alignment and completion of ISEAL standards
- 53% more likely to publish their policies and procedures
- 34% more likely to publish their policies and procedures
- 20% more likely to offer financial assistance to producers

**MORE LIKELY TO OFFER:**

- Verification by a third party
- Verification by a third party
- Assistance with compliance
- Assistance with information
- Assistance with training

**RIGOUR AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

ISEAL members consistently improve the rigour of their systems as part of their compliance with ISEAL three Codes.

- 11% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 47% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 17% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 13% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements

**INTERNAL ANALYSIS OF ISEAL’S COMPLIANCE PROGRAMME INDICATES:**

- 37% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 7% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 4% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements
- 1% more likely to have self-assessment tools to identify improvements

**ISEAL’S CODES OF GOOD PRACTICE ARE SECURED AS GLOBAL REFERENCES FOR DEVELOPING CREDIBLE STANDARDS**

Find out more about ISEAL’s Codes of Good Practice:

- Standard Setting Code
- Assurance Code
- Impacts Code

ISEAL represents the global movement of sustainability standards.

To find out more about our members visit ISEAL's website.