

## Construction C-Sink Manager Training and Endorsement

### Officially endorsed organization

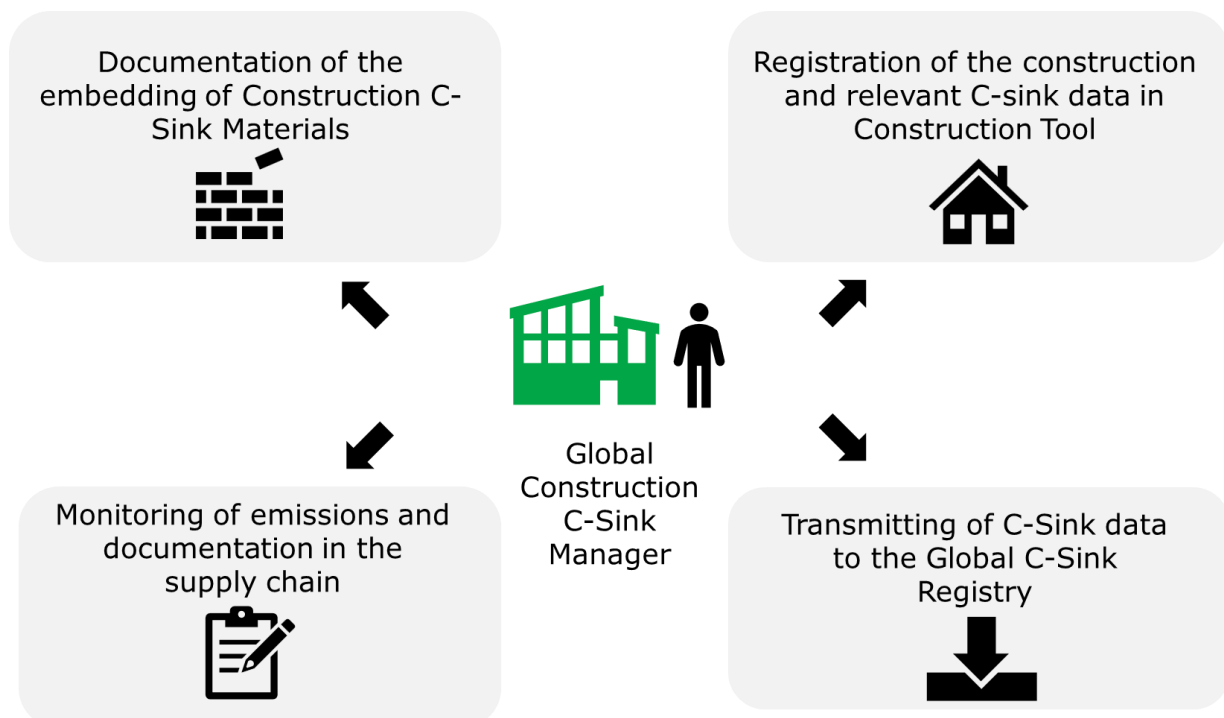
A Construction C-Sink Manager is a **legal entity** that is officially registered and endorsed by Carbon Standards International.

### Monitoring and Data Collection

A C-Sink Manager documents, evaluates, and monitors the entire process—from the supply of biomass to the use of C-Sink materials in the construction.

The Construction C-Sink Standard certifies buildings and constructions that contain C-Sink materials (biogenic carbon sinks) derived from biomass. This means that wood, biochar or other building materials of biogenic origin are used in these constructions. Such C-Sink materials are characterized by the fact that the carbon they contain was previously removed from the atmosphere through the growth of biomass and now remains bound in the construction. By incorporating these materials, the building or construction acts as a long-term temporary carbon sink, as the bound carbon is removed from the atmosphere for the lifetime of the building.

A Construction C-Sink Manager is an officially registered legal entity (e.g., a company, building association, or non-profit institution) that manages monitoring, data assessment, and recording of the entire process from biomass commissioning to processing, trading and application of Construction C-Sink Materials. The C-Sink Manager has at least one trained specialist. In the event of a change in staff, a new person can be trained by CSI and its training partner OPENLY.



## Approval Process

The training to become a Construction C-Sink Manager involves a two-day course at the OPENLY Academy and concludes with official approval (licensing) as a C-Sink Manager. Upon completion, the participating company and its trained employees receive training certificates for the employees as well as a company certificate recognizing the company as an accredited Construction C-Sink Manager. This company certificate is subject to annual renewal to maintain the status.

The steps on this path to official endorsement are as follows:

### Step 1: Introduction – Call

Interested C-Sink Managers can contact Carbon Standards International (CSI) [here](#) to schedule an initial introduction meeting.

### Step 2: Registration

Registration for the endorsement process as a Construction C-Sink Manager with Carbon Standards International.

### Step 3: OPENLY Academy

Completion of an on-site training at the OPENLY Academy – each participant receives a training completion confirmation, and the company will be registered as a provisional endorsed Construction C-Sink Manager.

### Step 4: First Project Preparation

Preparation of the first building (construction project) for Construction C-Sink validation and verification, carried out by the C-Sink Manager.

### Step 5: Audit and Endorsement

An audit of the company is conducted by CSI, leading to official endorsement of the company as a Construction C-Sink Manager. An audit report is issued, and the company receives its Construction C-Sink Manager company certificate, which then requires yearly renewal.

### Step 6: Verification and Registration of carbon sinks

The first building is verified, and the corresponding certificates are issued. The verified carbon sink values (C-sinks) are then registered in the Global C-Sink Registry.

### Step 7: Utilization of CINKs

The C-Sink Manager can utilize the C-sink certificates as the initial owner. In practice, this means the C-Sink Manager is listed as the first owner of these carbon sinks and can manage them (e.g., transfer ownership or retirements, as needed).

