



ANNUAL REPORT STATEMENT FOR 2025

The fiscal year for the ABET Bridge is the calendar year, January 1 through December 31. This report includes an overview of activities during 2025.

BRIEF HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The ABET Bridge was established with a separate governance structure by the ABET Board of Directors in 2008, and it was granted the use of ABET's intellectual property. The ABET Bridge was incorporated under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on May 22, 2008. Initially, there were three board members, and the initial by-laws were adopted on December 17, 2009. Since then, the by-laws have been amended three times, addressing issues such as term lengths for officers, increasing the number of directors, and clarifying the terms of service for board members.

The ABET Bridge's mission statement, current officers, board members and additional information can be found on the ABET Bridge website: <https://www.abetbridge.org/>.

The ABET Bridge Board conducts its work through semi-annual virtual meetings and email correspondence. Standing and ad hoc committees are established as needed to support governance and operational priorities.

ACTIVITIES

ABET Bridge offers workshops to institutions and consulting services to individual programs on ABET policies, operations, and accreditation criteria. These services aim to help programs prepare for and undergo evaluation for accreditation by one of ABET's commissions. The **ABET Bridge Coordinator** assigns consultants from a pool of well-qualified former ABET commissioners to assist programs in this process.

In addition to accreditation-related services, ABET Bridge provides assistance to institutions in establishing new programs, including curriculum development. While this service falls outside the scope of accreditation, many of ABET Bridge's consultants from academia possess expertise in this area.

In 2025, ABET Bridge completed 18 consulting engagements, with six additional consultations underway at year end and several additional engagements in the final stages of agreement. The active advisor pool grew to approximately 55 advisors, including five newly trained advisors added during 2025.

Furthermore, in 2025, ABET Bridge conducted three workshops in two countries outside the U.S. and one in the U.S. Additionally, advisors completed one international mock visits during the same period.

Governance Highlights

During 2025, the ABET Bridge Board continued strengthening its governance and operational practices. The Board approved revisions to the advising fee structure and adopted updated Advisor Terms and Conditions to reflect improvements to the advising program. Discussions also focused on advisor training requirements, maintaining a repository of advising reports and improving the client satisfaction survey process to strengthen continuous improvement.

To strengthen organizational visibility and support future growth, the Board continued updates to the ABET Bridge website, including refreshed advisor application materials, annual reports, award information and online donation capabilities. The Board also approved amendments to the ABET Foundation bylaws establishing director term limits and formally adopted the organization's legal name as ABET Foundation Inc. doing business as ABET Bridge. Planning also began for leadership transitions following completion of officer terms at the end of 2025.

FINANCES

For 2025, revenue from all activities equaled \$127,692 which included \$78,492 consultation revenue, \$36,000 self-study review revenue, and \$13,200 workshop revenue. At year end, total reserves equaled \$183,625.

ABET Bridge continued operating on a financially sustainable basis during 2025 while supporting its consulting, workshop and advising activities.

SUPPORT OF ABET

ABET Bridge continued supporting ABET's mission through support of the ABET Innovation Award and the Claire L. Felbinger Award for Diversity and Inclusion. These awards recognize individuals and organizations making significant contributions to engineering and computing education while advancing innovation and inclusive excellence within the professions.

During 2025, the Board also continued discussions regarding enhancements to the ABET Bridge website, donation management processes and advising services to increase awareness of ABET Bridge programs, awards and consulting opportunities.