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Welcome

- Hybrid outreach event on European Sustainability Reporting co-hosted by the Raad voor de Jaarverslaggeving (DASB) and EFRAG
- Today's objectives:
 - Provide you with further knowledge about the ED ESRS
 - Obtain your feedback as part of the consultation process
- All presenters based on their personal views!





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Programme

- Opening
- Introduction to CSRD/ESRS
- Plenary Session ESRS 1-2
 - Break and transition to break-out sessions
- Break-out session
 - Environment
 - Social
 - Governance
 - Break and transition to plenary session
- Plenary session
 - Feedback from the break-out rooms
- Closing session
- Drinks



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40 years of Reporting in NL

- 1981: NL set-up of DASB
- 1982: NL Guidelines for Financial Reporting
- 2003: NL Guide to Sustainability Reporting (Handreiking Maatschappelijke verslaggeving)
- 2005: EU Implementation of IFRS
- 2009: NL Update of Guide to SR
- 2017: EU Implementation of NFRD
- 2021: EU proposal CSRD
- 2022: EFRAG Exposure Draft ESRS



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Video message from Sven Gentner

• Head of unit of corporate reporting in the EC





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Some of his key messages:

- CSRD-objectives:
 - To reduce systemic risk to financial system from climate-change and other sustainability issues
 - To make capital flow to companies that address and do not aggravate the sustainability crisis more easy
 - To make companies more accountable for their impacts on people and the environment

• Consultation:

- All relevant stakeholders to provide input and to see whether draft ESRS are "fit for purpose"
- Make your views heard through the public consultation

100 days of public consultation on EDs

Online survey accessible at <u>www.efrag.org</u>

- Challenging project, but should not forget:
 - Important part of **Europe's answer** to a pressing real-world problem
 - Without the force of financial markets we will not be able to meet our climate and sustainability goals.







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Scope CSRD - sustainability reporting

• What:

- Sustainability report as part of directors' report
- In conformity with CSRD/ESRS
- Limited assurance by external assurance provider/auditor
- Double materiality (impact <u>on</u> the company and impact <u>by</u> the company)

• Whom:

- Listed entities
- Large corporates (NV/BV):
 - Who meet two consecutive years at least two of the following three criteria:
 - (1) balance sheet total > € 20 million, (2) net revenue > € 40 million and (3) ≥ 250 employees
 - Comparable to size criteria financial statements / group exemptions

• When:

- Financial year 2024: Listed entities
- Financial year 2025: other large entities



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Who sets the Standards for Sustainability Reporting?



EFRAG



European Comission:

- Publishes Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD)
- Approves European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS)

• EFRAG

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- Public private partnership:
 - European Stakeholder organisations (a.o. Business Europe, Accountancy Europe, EFFASS, etc)
 - National Standard Setters
 - NGO's, trade unions, academics (specifically for sustainability reporting)
 - Observes (EC, ESMA, ECB etc)
- Advices EC: prepares European Sustainability Reporting Standards

• NL-participation in EFRAG

- DASB member organisation EFRAG
- Dutch board members (Simon Braaksma RJ, Wim Bartels Accountancy Europe, David Vermijs – Shift/NGO)
- Dutch SR TEG member: Alexandra van Selm
- Many other Dutch participants at EFRAG/PTF



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Draft CSRD - main provisions*

Reporting areas (on the 3 ESG topics)

- Business model and strategy, including plans to ensure compatibility with the transition to a sustainable economy and limiting global warming to 1.5°C and considering stakeholders' interests
- Sustainability objectives and progress towards the objectives
- · Role of governance bodies on sustainability
- Sustainability policies
- Description of (i) due diligence, (ii) adverse value chain impacts and (iii) remedial actions
- · Sustainability risks and management thereof
- Indicators related to the above
- Intangibles (intellectual, human, social and relational capital [<IR> / WICI])*
- · Assessing materiality process for identifying information to be reported
- Time horizon: short, medium and long term
- Value chain including: own operations, products and services, business relationships and supply chain

Topics

- Environment: (alignment with the 6 environmental objectives of the Taxonomy)
- Social: (i) equal opportunities (ii) working conditions and (iii) human rights
- Governance: (i) Composition and role of governance bodies, (ii) business ethics & culture, (iii) political engagement, (iv) management and quality of relationships with business partners and (v) internal control and risk management systems



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Overview of Exposure Draft ESRS

		CROSS-C	υтті	NG STANDA	ARDS				
ESRS 1 General Principles				ESRS 2 General, strategy, governance and materiality assessment disclosure requirements					
		E	INVIR	ONMENT					
ESRS E1 ESRS E2 Climate change Pollution		n Wate	ESRS E3 Water and marine resources		ESRS E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems			ESRS E5 Resource use and circular economy	
			sc	CIAL					
ESRS S1 Own workforce Work		ESRS S2 ers in the value chain		ESRS S3 Affected communities		ESRS S4 Consumers and end- users			
			GOVE	RNANCE					
ESRS G1 Governance, risk management and internal controls			ESRS G2 Business conduct						
			APPE	NDICES					
Appendix I Navigating the ESRS	Appendix II CSRD Requirements	Appendix II SFDR Advers Impacts in the ESRS		Appendix TCFD ar ESRS reconcilia table	nd Ition	Append IFRS S1- ESRS reconcilia table	+2 / ation	Appendix VI Acronyms and glossary terms	



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EFRAG/DASB - feedback focus

EFRAG requests feedback from constituents on three key aspects of the EDs

- 1. The relevance of (i) the proposed architecture, (ii) the implementation of the CSRD principles and (iii) the overall content of each ED
- 2. The possible options for prioritising / phasing-in the implementation of the ESRS, and
- 3. The adequacy of each disclosure requirement mandated by each ED.

DASB especially focuses on the following aspects:

- 1. Improving holistic approach of draft ESRS
- 2. Alignment with international standards
- 3. Materiality approach
- 4. Trickle-down effect SME
- 5. Reduce complexity to enable workability of the ESRS



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- Chair of the Project Task Force – NFRS/ESRS
- Member of the EFRAG SRboard



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Drafting exposure drafts for a first set of ESRS: 11 months in "project mode"



2nd Task-Force re-launched in June 2021 following mission letter from Commissioner McGuinness received on 12 May 2021 in order to start elaborating standards in project mode (PTF):

- 35 members from 13 different Member States
- Supported by Secretariat members (30 full-time equivalent)
- Input from Expert Working Groups (appointed in November 2021)
- Co-construction with GRI, Shift, WICI + dialogue with the IFRS Foundation (TRWG/ISSB) and
- meeting with the SEC

From EDs to draft standards: 7 months in "institutional mode"



The seven key features of the EDs

- 1. They may need to be adjusted to meet the requirements of the final CSRD
- 2. They take account of existing European law and initiatives
 - SFDR, Taxonomy Art. 8
 - A list of European texts (e.g. GHG allowance Directive, the EMAS regulation and European Commission recommendation on the life cycle environmental performance of products and services, see Basis for Conclusions)
 - Recent European initiatives (e.g. a Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD))
- 3. They take account of European and international sustainability reporting initiatives
- 4. The overall architecture of Exposure Drafts is designed to ensure that sustainability information is reported in a carefully articulated manner (see next slide)
- 5. They address sustainability matters as per Article 19b of the CSRD proposal
- 6. They are a first step in a journey towards a faithful representation of sustainability performance (SME standard(s) and sector-specific standards in the 2nd set)
- 7. The public consultation will help to finetune relevance and comparability as well a explore ESRS implementation prioritisation / phasing-in options

A coherent architecture to implement the CSRD provisions



Open for comments until 8 August 2022

Main success factors of the ESRS

- 1. Information quality (in particular: relevance and sector-agnostic comparability)
- 2. Coherence with EU policy objectives (content and timing)
- 3. Compatibility with international initiatives
- 4. Exercise of judgement to foster proportionate implementation
- 5. Balanced combination of narrative, semi-quantitative and quantitative information
- 6. Connectivity to ensure seamless standardised corporate reporting
- 7. Flexibility in presentation (sustainability statements and incorporation by reference)

Main challenges of the ESRS

- 1. A real challenge for first time reporters
- 2. Overall depth of required information (to be fine tuned and/or phased-in)
- 3. Assessment of material IROs and rebuttable presumption
- 4. Boundary issues
- 5. Meeting expectations of all stakeholders
- 6. Avoiding multiple reportings

Public consultation as a key element of the standard setting due process

 Feedback from constituents on three key aspects of the EDs and the survey has followed the same structure :

1. The relevance of (i) the proposed architecture, (ii) the implementation of the CSRD principles and (iii) the overall content of each ED

2. The possible options for prioritising / phasing-in the implementation of the ESRS, and

- 3. the adequacy of each disclosure requirement mandated by each ED.
- Section 3 of the survey on disclosure requirements split as follows:
 - 3A. Cross Cutting standards
 - 3B. Environmental standards
 - 3C. Social standards
 - 3D. Governance standards
- Respondents are strongly encouraged to respond to section 1 and 2.
- Due to comprehensive nature of section 3, constituents may select the questions and standards to which they provide feedback (no need for complete responses).

Public consultation as a key element of the standard setting due process

- Other information included in the public consultation:
 - Cover note
 - Appendix I: Navigating the ESRS
 - Appendix II: CSRD requirements mapping
 - Appendix III: SFDR PAI mapping
 - Appendix IV: TCFD recommendations and ESRS reconciliation table
 - Appendix V: IFRS Sustainability standards and ESRS reconciliation table
 - Appendix VI: Acronyms and glossary of terms
- EC survey tool
- Not consulting on second set of draft ESRS (SMEs and and sector specific)
- Outreaches during consultation period



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Polling questions - Introduction of the audience

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Plenary session on ESRS 1 - 2

- Presenters:
 - Wim Bartels (SRB/Accountancy Europe)
 - Simon Braaksma (SRB/RJ WG/Philips)
- Moderator:
 - Olga Smirnova (RJ WG/Heineken)
- Panelists:
 - Rutger Goethart (EFRAG)
 - Ron Gruijters (RJ WG/PTF/Eumedion)





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Break out sessions

Topic	Environment	Social	Governance	
Room Amsterdam 3		Westerpark 1	Westerpark 2	
Online	via Zoom	via Zoom	via Zoom	
Presenter	Wim Bartels (SRB/Accountancy Europe) Simon Braaksma (SRB/RJ WG/Philips)	Rutger Goethart (EFRAG)	Marco Frikkee (RJ WG/KPMG)	
Moderator	Olga Smirnova (RJ WG/Heineken)	Rutger Goethart (EFRAG)	Eva Eijkelenboom (RJ WG/VNO-NCW)	
Panelists	Usha Ganga (RJ WG/NBA) Stephan Werkman (RJ WG/Tesla)	Alexandra van Selm (SR-TEG EFRAG/SER) Kavita Nandram (RJ WG/Ahold- Delhaize)	Fleur Meerman (RJ WG/SER) Sarah Esmeijer (RJ WG/ABN AMRO)	

ESRS 1 General principles and

ESRS 2 General strategy, governance and materiality assessment

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ESRS 1 in the overall ESRS structure



Cross-cutting: ESRS 1 General principles

Chapter 1 Reporting under ESRS: implementation of the "rules of three"

(CSRD information quality) **High degree of comparability** across undertakings: standardized **sector-agnostic (and sector specific) disclosure requirements are mandated** for all undertakings



Chapter 2 Applying CSRD concepts: CSRD concepts as « Bedrock » of ESRS



Chapter 2 Applying CSRD concepts:

Double materiality as the basis for sustainability disclosures



ESRS 1 – Key concepts: Double materiality and the possibility of rebutting the presumption of materiality



No additional costs expected compared to assessing materiality without a list of requirements in both cases judgement and evidence are required

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- Having a predefined list supports comparability
- Having to rebut the presumption mitigates the risk of loss of relevant information

Chapter 2 Applying CSRD concepts: 2.2 Double materiality: From mandated DR to information material for the undertaking

Universe of sector-agnostic and sector-specific mandated disclosure requirements

Rebuttable presumption (at level of ESRS or group of DR)

Individual disclosure requirement/datapoint that is below materiality criteria/thresholds and that is not part of an ESRS (or a group) for which the presumption has been rebutted may be omitted and therefore considered implicitly disclosed as "not material"

Entity specific disclosures

Material disclosure requirements for the undertaking

ESRS 1 – Key concepts: Boundaries and value chain: Consolidation scope plus up- and down-stream



Not all the data need to include value chain information: "Risk-based" approach and link to materiality. The boundary has to be expanded when the integration is necessary to allow a proper understanding of material impacts, risks and opportunities and to produce a set of complete information that meets the qualitative characteristics of information quality.

Chapter 6 - Structure of sustainability statements: Three presentation options give flexibility. Incorporation by reference to other sections of MR

			Content of the sustainability statements Undertaking <u>shall</u> report all the applicable disclosures required by ESRS within identifiable parts of the management report constituting the 'Sustainability Statements'. Undertaking <u>may</u> include in its sustainability statements additional disclosures			
6	Structure of the sustainability statements	ts clearly identified and referenced to local legislation or general accepted framework. Structure of the sustainability statements Options:				
		6.2	 a) <u>Single separately identifiable section</u> of the management report b) <u>Aggregating the disclosures into four separately identifiable parts</u> of the management report: i) general information; ii) environmental information; iii) social information; and iv) governance information 			
			c) <u>Aggregating the disclosures required by each ESRS</u> and reporting them as non-separable blocks in identifiable parts of the management report "on a standard-by-standard basis"			

Par. 135/146 and AG 33 of ESRS 1: information mandated by ESRS may be incorporated by reference to another section of the MR (if separate, clearly identified as addressing the relevant ESRS disclosure requirement). A list of incorporation by references is required. Incorporation by reference to the financial statements is also allowed.

Cross-cutting:

ESRS 2 General, strategy, governance and materiality assessment
Overview of ESRS 2

22 Disclosure requirements

Provides DRs for principles laid out in ESRS 1

Not subject to "rebuttable presumption" = fully mandatory

Cross-cutting = provides context for all topical DRs

1st step in sustainability reporting in line with ESRS: MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT

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Objective and Overview: Objective of ESRS 2

To set out the disclosure requirements of the undertaking's sustainability reporting that are of a crosscutting nature. They are those:



Objective and Overview: Disclosure Requirements of ESRS 2 (I/II)

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS DR 2-GR1: General characteristics of the sustainability reporting of the undertaking SFDR DR 2-GR2: Sector(s) of activity DR 2-GR3: Key features of the value chain TCFD DR 2-GR4: Key drivers of the value creation DR 2-GR5: Using approximations on the disclosure in relation to boundary and value chain DR 2-GR6: Disclosing on significant estimation uncertainty DR 2-GR7: Changes in preparation and presentation DR 2-GR8: Prior period errors DR 2-GR9: On other sustainability reporting pronouncements DR 2-GR10: General statement of compliance ISSB

STRATEGY & BUSINESS MODEL

DR 2-SBM1: Overview of strategy and business model	ISSB	CSRD
DR 2-SBM2: Views, interests and expectations of	ISSB	CSRD
stakeholders		
DR 2-SBM3: Interaction of impacts and the undertaking's	ISSB	CSRD
Strategy and business model		
DR 2-SBM4: Interaction of risks and opportunities and the	TCFD	CSRD
undertaking's strategy and business model	ISSB	

Objective and Overview: Disclosure Requirements of ESRS 2 (II/II)



IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES

DR 2-IRO1: Description of the processes to identify material ISSB	CSRD				
sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities	TCFD				
DR 2-IRO2: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of SFDR	CSRD				
ISSB material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities as	TCFD				
identified by reference to and in compliance with					
sector-agnostic and sector-specific level ESRS					
DR 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of SFDR	CSRD				
material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities	TCFD				
that are not covered by an ESRS (entity-specific level)					

Focus on DR – GOV 5: Statement on due diligence DR related to Governance in ESRS 2

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DR 2- GOV 5: Statement on due diligence

The undertaking shall provide a mapping that reconciles the main aspects of sustainability due diligence to the relevant disclosures in its sustainability statements

Main aspect of sustainability due diligence	Relevant disclosures
 Embedding due diligence in governance and organizations 	
Engaging with stakeholders	
Identifying and assessing adverse impacts	
Taking action	
Tracking effectiveness and communicating	

Focus on DR – IRO1, 2 and 3

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DRs related to Materiality assessment impacts, risks and opportunities in ESRS 2





Polling questions to the audience

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Plenary feedback from break-out sessions

- Environment: Olga Smirnova (RJ WG/Heineken)
- Social: Rutger Goedhart (EFRAG)
- Governance: Eva Eijkelenboom (RJ WG/VNO-NCW)





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Key take aways

- Simon Braaksma (SRB/RJ WG/Philips)
- Rutger Goedhart (EFRAG)
- Eva Eijkelenboom (RJ WG/VNO-NCW)





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Thank you for your participation





ESRS E in the overall ESRS structure





E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (I/IV)

1 Disclosure Requirement related to Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

- DR E1-1 Transition plan for climate change mitigation
 CSRD
 ISSB
 - CSDDD US SEC

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Resilience of strategy and business model CSRD ISSB
- AG on ESRS 2-GOV 4: Climate-related remuneration ISSB & Internal carbon pricing schemes
 - ISSB US SEC
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: material climate-related impacts, risks and opportunities CSRD ISSB* US SEC*

* Risks and opportunities only

The company's plans to ensure that the business model is compatible with limiting global warming to 1.5°C in line with the Paris Agreement.

Information related to ESRS 2:

- Resilience of strategy and business model, complementing the mitigation transition plan.
- Incentive compensation schemes linked to climate objectives and elements on the incentive use of an internal carbon price (investment decisions, internal performance reviews, etc.).
- Description of climate-related impacts, risks and opportunities in relation to the TCFD and the physical risks of the Taxonomy, and the process for identifying these. Also includes information to be published on scenario analysis with the use of a 1.5°C scenario for transition risks and a high scenario for physical risks.

E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

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ESRS E1 – Focus on Transition Plan

DR E1-1 Transition plan for climate change mitigation



"...the undertaking is expected to provide a high-level explanation on how it will adjust its strategy and business model to ensure compatibility with the transition to a climate-neutral economy and with limiting of global warming to 1.5°C in line with the Paris Agreement ... and shall, where applicable, refer to and contextualise information presented under other disclosures requirements of this [draft] standard."

E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Policies, targets, action plans and resources

ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (II/IV)

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- DR E1-2 Policies implemented to manage climate change mitigation and adaptation
- DR E1-3 Measurable targets for climate change mitigation and adaptation
 CSRD
 US SEC

Information to be published in relation to the Disclosure Principles (ESRS 1):

- Policies to manage GHG emissions, physical and transition risks and opportunities.
- Targets, including for reducing GHG emissions. Additional information to be provided if a net-zero target (including removals) or carbon neutrality (including carbon credits) is claimed.
- Action plan and resources to implement policies and achieve targets.
- DR E1-4 Climate change mitigation and adaptation action plans and resources

E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Policies, targets, action plans and resources

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ESRS E1 – Focus on Scenario Analysis



E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Policies, targets, action plans and resources

ESRS E1 - Focus on targets

"The undertaking shall disclose the climate-related targets it has adopted."



E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Policies, targets, action plans and resources

ESRS E1 Graphical pathway of GHG targets



ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (III/IV)

13 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measures 1/2



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- The information on energy consumption makes it possible to assess the company's absolute consumption, its evolution and the share of renewable energy.
- Intensity information meets the requirements of the SFDR.
- Publication of GHG emissions: Scopes 1, 2, 3 and Total. For Scope 3, selection from the 15 most significant GHG Protocol categories.
- Scope 3: calculation updated every 3 years, published annually.
- Distinction between "Removals" = actions to permanently reduce GHGs from the atmosphere within the value chain and "carbon credits" = financing outside the value chain by purchasing credits.
- Optionality of avoided emissions lack of maturity and consensus on calculation methods.

ESRS E1 – Focus on GHG Scope 3 methodology

DR E1-9 Scope 3 GHG emissions



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ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (IV/IV)

13 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measures 2/2



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ESRS E1 – Focus on financial effects

DR E1-15 – Potential financial effects from material physical risks



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ESRS E1 - Focus on financial effects

DR E1-16 – Potential financial effects from material transition risks





Environment: E2 Pollution

E2 Pollution: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements which will enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to pollution.

- Pollution and prevention, control and reduction
 - of air– emissions into air (both indoor and outdoor)
 - of water (including groundwater)
 - of soil (at production site, outside, through use of undertaking's products and services)

• Production, use and/or distribution and commercialisation of

- Substances of concerns (having a chronic effect for human health or the environment or substances which hamper recycling for safe and high quality secondary raw materials)
- Most harmful substances (listed in the EU Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability)
- Enabling activities in support of prevention, control and elimination of pollution (four remaining environmental objectives of the EU Taxonomy Regulation)

E2 Pollution: Overview (I/III)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM 4: Resilience of strategy and business CSRD model ZPAP
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: material pollution-related impacts, risks and opportunities TCFD CSRD
- Link to the EU Action Plan initiative "Towards a Zero Pollution for Air, Water and Soil", and value chain consideration.
- Five sub-themes: air pollution, water pollution, soil pollution, substances of concern (including the most harmful substances) and enabling activities to prevent, control and eliminate pollution.
- Link to the definitions of the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability, the EU REACH Regulation, the E-PRTR (European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register), the Industrial Emissions Directive and the work of the Sustainable Finance Platform.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

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- **DR E2-1** Policies implemented to prevent and control CSRD -Sev. III pollution
- DR E2-2 Measurable targets for pollution -







DR E2-3 – Pollution action plans and resources -

- Policies should pursue an objective (prevention, minimisation, etc.) related to one of the five sub-themes.
- Targets should be expressed in terms of the volume of pollutants concerned, as well as in terms of turnover and raw material costs for substances of concern, and the link should be made with the BAT benchmarks.
- The actions serve the objectives in line with the regulations.

E2 Pollution: Overview (II/III)

4 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

SFDR

CSRD

CSRD

ZPAP

- DR E2-4 Pollution to air, water and soil
- DR E2-5 Substances of concern and most harmful substances
- DR E2-6 Pollution-related incidents and deposit impacts and risks, and financial exposure to the undertaking
- DR E2-7 Potential financial effects from pollution-related impacts, risks and opportunities
- Taxonomy Regulation

Pollution to air, water and soil

- Information on the list and volumes of air, water and soil pollutants generated or used throughout the value chain, as well as the area affected where relevant (including Annex II E-PRTR).
- Link to degree of urbanisation and air quality indicators, as well as to the EU Industrial Emissions Directive and BAT/BREFs where relevant.

Substances of concern

- Specific information on the share of turnover and raw material costs related to these substances.

Incidents and deposits

Information on the main incidents and deposits, their impacts as well as their associated and provisioned costs.

SFDR Link to additional indicators SFDR on Emissions of inorganic pollutants, air pollutants and ozone-depleting substances.

E2 Pollution: Overview (III/III)

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"The undertaking shall disclose the list of pollutants that are generated or used during production processes or that are procured, and that leave its facilities as emissions, as products, or as part of products or services."





Environment:

E3 Water and marine resources

E3 Water and marine resources: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to water and marine resources

Water

- Undertaking's relationship with water in its upstream and downstream value chain, in terms of dependencies, impacts, risks and opportunities and how it effectively addresses these issues
- Where and how much **water is withdrawn, consumed and discharged** for the undertaking's activities, products and services
- What are the water-related impacts caused or contributed to by the undertaking
- How the undertaking is exposed to **water-related risks** (flood risks, water scarcity risks, etc)

Marine resources

 Undertaking's activities which cause or contribute to impacts either through the use of ocean-based resources, discharges and emissions to the environment which end up in the oceans, or activities located in maritime (naval matters) areas

E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (I/III)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: Water and marine resourcesrelated impacts, risks and opportunities



- Water and marine resources sub-themes, covering the impacts and dependencies of water abstraction, consumption and discharge, including exposure to physical hazards (flooding, water stress, etc.).
- Link with the Water Framework Directive and the EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive.
- Water is a local issue: criticality of geographical sites, hydrological basins.
- Importance of raw materials and consideration of suppliers.
- Marine resources: consideration of deep-sea mineral resources, gravel and seafood.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

DR E3-1 : Policies implemented to manage water and marine resources		CSRD
		SFDR
		GRI
		CDSB
DR E3-2: Measurable targets for water and marine		
-		CSRI
resources		GRI
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DR E3-3: Water and marine action plans and resources		CSRI
		CDS

- Value chain and link to EU policies and quantified commitments to reduce water abstraction, consumption and discharge.

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E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (II/III)

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The process of identifying material IROs should include:

Geographical areas with water-related quality, quantity, regulatory or reputational issues for its facilities and for the facilities of key suppliers

Commodities used by the undertaking which have an impact on the environmental status of marine waters as well as on the protection of marine resources

Business activities for which water issues and access to commodities represent a material risk

Sites located in areas of high-water stress

Processes to identify suppliers in the value chain with material water quantity or water quality related impacts or risks

Processes to conduct an assessment of key suppliers

Processes to screen marine resource-related commodities in its purchases

<u>Outcomes:</u>

A list of geographical areas where water is a material issue for the undertaking's operations and value chain

A list of commodities used by the undertaking which are material to the good environmental status of marine waters as well as for the protection of marine resources

A list of business activities associated to water and marine resources material IROs

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Recommended databases: WWF Water Risk Filter, World Resources Institute's (WRI) Water Risk Atlas tool Aqueduct, annex II to EU Recommendation 2021/2279 on the use of the Environmental Footprint methods.

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E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (III/III)

4 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement



SFDR Link to SFDR principal indicator on Emissions to water and additional indicators on Water usage and recycling, Investments in companies without water management policies and Exposure to areas of high-water stress.



Environment:

E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems

E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to biodiversity and ecosystems

- Undertaking's relationship to terrestrial, freshwater and marine habitats, ecosystems and populations of related fauna and flora species, including diversity within species, between species and of ecosystems and their interrelation with many indigenous and local communities
- 'Biological diversity' covers the variability among living organisms from all sources including, inter alia, terrestrial, freshwater, marine and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are part of

E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (I/III)

1 Disclosure Requirement related to Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

TNFD

TNFD

- DR E4-1 Transition plan in line with the targets of no net loss by 2030, net gain from 2030 and full recovery by 2050
- Information on the compatibility of the business model with the EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030 and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.
- Identification of biodiversity loss levers (threatened species, protected areas and key areas) in the value chain and remediation actions (avoid, minimise, restore, compensate) on the main resources/dependencies and assets concerned.

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM 4: Resilience of strategy and business model
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: Biodiversity and ecosystems related impacts, risks and opportunities
 CSRD
 SFDR

Resilience : advocating the use of scenarios (e.g. IPBES, ENCORE, etc.).

Materiality assessment :

- Advocacy of databases, assessment by geographical location and by commodity, consideration of threatened species, protected areas and key zones.
- Distinction between physical, transition and systemic risks, as well as opportunities in relation to TNFD and CDSB work.
- Presence of activity in biodiversity hotspots.

E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (II/III)

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- DR E4-2 Policies implemented to manage biodiversity and ecosystems
- **DR E4-3** Measurable targets for biodiversity and ecosystems
- **DR E4-4** Biodiversity and ecosystems action plans and resources

- Information in relation to the transition plan, as well as the hierarchy of levers: avoid, minimise, restore, compensate, and mitigate.
- Key role of the value chain, traceability of raw materials and suppliers, and importance of social issues of IROs including in relation to the use of genetic resources and interaction with local communities.

6 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

- **DR E4-5** Pressure metrics
- DR E4-6 Impact metrics
- DR E4-7 Response metrics
- **DR E4-8** Biodiversity-friendly consumption and production metrics
- DR E4-9 Biodiversity offsets
- $\label{eq:def-DR} \textbf{E4-10} \textbf{Potential financial effects from biodiversity-related}$
- impacts, risks and opportunities
- **Taxonomy Regulation**

- Very basic indicators, in line with ongoing work at international level and the lack of agreed indicators, description of characteristics that indicators should have.
- SFDR Link to SFDR principal indicator on Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas and additional indicators on Land degradation, desertification, soil sealing, Investments in companies without sustainable land/agriculture practices, Investments in companies without sustainable oceans / seas practices, Natural species and protected areas and Deforestation.

E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (III/III)





Environment:

E5 Resource use and circular economy

E5 Resource use and circular economy

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to resource use and circular economy

- Circular economy is a restorative system in which waste and pollution are eliminated and resource use is minimised through systemic design, maintaining and improving the value of products and components and achieving a circular flow of resources, while regenerating natural ecosystems
- The goal is to **retain the value of the resources**, **products and materials** by creating a system with innovative business models that allow for renewability, long life optimal use or re-use, refurbishment, remanufacturing, recycling and biodegradation.
- A circular economy is based on three principles, driven by design: eliminate waste and pollution, keep products and materials in use at their highest value and regenerate ecosystems. It is underpinned by a transition to renewable energy.
- Decoupling economic activity from extraction of natural resources can take place through the implementation of circular strategies to prevent natural resources extraction and intensify circular material use.

E5 Resource use and circular economy: Overview (I/II)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2 SBM 3 and SBM 4 on the integration of resource use and circular economy in the business model
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: on impacts, risks and opportunities

- Link with the European plan on the circular economy.
- Integration of circular economy principles in the business model: elimination of waste and pollution, circularity of products, regeneration of nature, decoupling of economic activity from natural resource extraction, products and materials maintained at their highest value.
- Materiality assessment in relation to the five sub-themes described in E5-4 to E5-8 in relation to the scenarios of remaining in a linear economy versus making a transition to a circular economy.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- **DR E5-1 Policies** implemented to manage resource use and circular economy
- DR E5-2 Measurable targets for resource use and circular economy
- **DR E5-3** Resource use and circular economy **action plans**
- Policies to decouple activity and use of non-renewable resources / regenerate renewable resources and ecosystems.
- Action plans related to the sub-themes and the three principles of the circular economy.

E5 Resource use and circular economy: Overview (II/II)

6 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

- DR E5-4 Resource inflows
- DR E5-5 Resource outflows
- DR E5-6 Waste
- SFDR
- DR E5-7 Resource use optimisation
- DR E5-8 Circularity support
- **DR E5-9** Financial effects from resource use and circulareconomy-related impacts, risks and opportunities
- Taxonomy Regulation
- SFDR

Link to SFDR principal indicator on Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio and additional indicator on Non-recycled waste ratio. Information on the five sub-themes:

- quantitative (absolute value et percentage) et qualitative.
- **Resource Inflows**: information on the materials used (renewable, reused, recycled).
- Resource Outflows: information on the weight and percentage of products, materials and packaging intentionally created to contribute to the circular economy, i.e. sustainability, reusability, reparability, disassembly, recycling, etc.
- *Waste*: details of hazardous/non-hazardous waste and waste destination.
- Resource use optimisation: share of turnover for products and services that optimise the use of resources and promote circular business models.
- *Circularity support*: coordinated actions and partnerships in the value chain.



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Governance:

G1 Governance, risk management, internal control G2 Busines conduct

ESRS Governance in the overall ESRS structure

ESRS G in the overall ESRS structure

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ESRS G1 Governance, risk management and internal controls

ESRS G2 Business conduct

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[draft] CSRD mandate on Governance sustainability matters

Governance as a separate category of sustainability matters

The Governance category (G) is broader than traditionally considered under the concept of 'governance'. The aim is to cover the full spectrum of relevant matters in order to report on sustainability aspects relating to the reporting undertaking itself, including but not limited to governance.

CSRD Article 19 b)

(c) specify the information that undertakings are to disclose about governance factors, including information about:

(i)

the role of the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies, including with regard to sustainability matters, and their composition;

- (ii) the business ethics and corporate culture, including anti-corruption and anti-bribery;
- (iii) political engagements of the undertaking, including its lobbying activities;
- (iv) the management and quality of relationships with business partners, including payment practices;
- (v) the undertaking's internal control and risk management systems, including in relation to the undertaking's reporting process.

G1 Governance, risk management, internal control

G2 Busines conduct

G1 Governance, risk management, internal control : Interaction with ESRS 2 (Governance disclosure requirements in cross-cutting)



G1 Governance, risk management, internal control : Overview

STRATEGY	IMPLEMENTATION	PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
DR G1-1: Governance	DR G1-2: Corporate governance code or policy Acc Dir	DR G1-9: Composition of ASMB SFDR Acc D			
Structure GRI Acc Dir	DR G1-3: Nomination process	DR G1-10: Meetings and attendance rate			
	DR G1-4: Diversity policy Acc Dir				
	DR G1-5: Evaluation process GRI				
	DR G1-6: Remuneration policy SR Dir GRI				
	DR G1-7: Risk management GRI				
	DR G1-8: Internal control				
 General description of ASMB and their composition 	 More detailed description of specific aspects General description of the risk management & internal control processes and how they enable the ASMB to exercise their responsibility to 	Indicators to measure performance of policy objectives defined by previous DRs			
	oversee the undertaking.				

G2 Business conduct: Overview

STRATEGY

DR 1: Business conduct culture GRI

IMPLEMENTATION

DR 2: Policies and targets on business conduct SFDR G DR 3: Prevention and detection of corruption and bribery G

DR 4: Anti-competitive behaviour prevention and detection GRI

- A description of how business conduct is promoted and integrated into the culture of the undertaking
- Description of how the business conduct culture is translated into clearly defined policies, procedures and objectives
- Including prevention and detection

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

DR 5: Anti-corruption and anti-bribery training GRI DR 6: Corruption or bribery events SFDR GRI DR 7: Anti-competitive behaviour events GRI DR 8: Beneficial ownership Dir 2015/849 GRI DR 9: Political engagement and lobbying activities GRI DR 10: Payment practices

Measuring the achievement of policies and objectives in previous DRs

- · covering anti-corruption/anti-bribery training
- current legal proceedings (number, inventory, penalties or fines paid)
- · lobbying activities and their funding
- contractual terms of payment and practices

G2 Consultation on indicators of payment practices

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CONSULTATION: SPECIFIC QUESTION

Payment delays complicate the financial management of undertakings, especially SMEs¹, who rely on predictable flows of cash to operate. According to the relevant EU legislation (Directive 2011/7/EU) a payment is late when the creditor has not received the funds at the expiry of the period negotiated in the contract. And yet, even payments performed within the contractually negotiated period can hide unfair payment practices. Very often businesses accept payment terms longer than they are comfortable with², as such terms may reflect the one party's power compared to the other, such as by virtue of its size or brand.

- 1) Do you consider that the indicators in G2-10 (in isolation or jointly) capture the following sufficiently:
 - a) the extent to which accounts payable or creditors at period end have been outstanding; and
 - b) the fairness of the undertaking's payment practices?
 - If not, please provide your rationale and indicate the sector(s) for which you deem add-ons necessary.
- 2) What alternative indicators would you propose? Please specify whether your proposal(s) are of sector-agnostic or sector-specific nature.
- 3) If you are a preparer, do you currently capture amounts of interest charged on late payments separately in your accounts and what are the costs for disclosing this?

¹ SMEs (Small and Medium-sized enterprises) are defined according to the Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC <u>https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/sme-definition_en</u>

² According to the Intrum European payment Report 2021, on average 49% of businesses in the EU accepted payment terms longer than they are comfortable with out of fear of losing their customers or damaging business relations.



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ESRS Social in the overall ESRS structure

ESRS E in the overall ESRS structure



Social:

S1 Own workforceS2 Workers in the value chainS3 Affected communitiesS4 Consumers and end-users

[draft] CSRD Mandate on Social sustainability matters

Background and methodology

Standard development based on CSRD, Article 19 b (Extract)

" (b) specify the information that undertakings are to disclose about <u>social</u> <u>factors</u>, including information about:

(i) Equal opportunities	for all, including <u>gender equality</u> and <u>equal pay for equal work</u> , <u>training and skills</u> <u>development</u> , and <u>employment and inclusion of people with disabilities;</u>
(ii) Working conditions	including <u>secure and adaptable employment</u> , <u>wages</u> , <u>social dialogue</u> , <u>collective</u> <u>bargaining</u> and the <u>involvement of workers</u> , <u>work-life balance</u> , and a <u>healthy, safe</u> <u>and well-adapted work environment;</u>
(iii) Respect for the human rights	fundamental freedoms, democratic principles and standards established in the International Bill of Human Rights and other core UN human rights conventions, the International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the ILO fundamental conventions and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union."

Social standards: Structure of the social pillar



Social standards: Definition of workforce



S1 Own workforce: Overview (I/IV)



S1 Own workforce: Overview (II/IV)

Standard Architecture

Strategy	Policies, targets, action plans, and resources	Performance Measures, Working conditions, Equal opportunities, Other work-related-rights					
AG reference to SBM2-4	S1-1: Policies	Performance measures (General)					
AG reference to IRO2-3	S1-2: Processes for engaging with workers	S1-7: Employee characteristics Working conditions	S1-8: Non-employee characteristics				
AG reference to GOV2	S1-3: Channels for workers to	S1-9: Training	S1-10: Health & safety management				
	raise concerns	S1-11: Health & safety KPIs	S1-12: Working Hours ¹				
	S1-4: T argets related to	S1-13: Work-Life Balance	S1-14: Fair remuneration				
	managing material impacts, risks and opportunities	S1-15: Social security]				
	S1-5: Action on material impacts	Equal opportunities					
	S1-6: Approaches to material	S1-16: Gender pay gap	S1-17: Annual compensation				
	risks and opportunities	S1-18: Discrimination	S1-19: Persons with disabilities				
		S1-20: Employee benefits]				
		Other work-related rights					
		S1-21: Grievances & complaints	S1-22: Collective bargaining				
		S1-23: Work stoppages	S1-24: Social dialogue				
		S1-25: Human rights issues	S1-26: Privacy				

¹ Optional Disclosure Requirement

S1 Own workforce: Overview (III/IV)

Reference frameworks

STRATEGY (complemented by ESRS 2)	IMPLEMENTATION			
AG on ESRS 2-SBM2: Interaction between material impacts , risks and opportunities and the strategy and business model	DR S1-1: Policies , targets, action plans and resources	OECD UNGP SFDR GRI		
AG on ESRS 2-SBM3: Workforce matters on people and the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material sustainability impacts	DR S1-2: Processes for engaging with own workers and workers' representatives about impacts	OECD UNGP SFDR GRI		
AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Workforce matters that originate from or are connected to the undertaking's strategy and business model(s) and of the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material risks and opportunities	DR S1-3: Channels for own workers and workers' representatives to raise concerns	SFDR UNGP		
AG on ESRS 2-IRO2: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material SFDR sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities as identified by reference to and in	DR S1-4: Targets related to managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts, and managing material risks and opportunities	UNGP GRI		
compliance with sector-agnostic and sector-specific level ESRS AG on ESRS 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material SFDR sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities that are not covered by an ESRS	DR S1-5: Taking action on material impacts on own workforce and effectiveness of those actions	OECD UNGP GRI		
(entity-specific level)	DR S1-6: Approaches to mitigating material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce	SASB OECD		
ESRS 2-GOV2: Information of administrative , management and supervisory bodies about sustainability matters				



S1 Own workforce: Overview (IV/IV)

Reference frameworks


S2-4 Workers in the value chain / Affected communities / Consumers and endusers: Overview

IMPLEMENTATION **STRATEGY** (complemented by ESRS 2) AG on ESRS 2-SBM2: Interaction between material DR S2-1: Policies, targets, action plans and resources impacts, risks and opportunities and the strategy and business model DR S2-2: Processes for engaging with own workers and workers' representatives about impacts AG on ESRS 2-SBM3: Workforce matters on people and the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material sustainability impacts DR S2-3: Channels for own workers and workers' AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Workforce matters that originate representatives to raise concerns from or are connected to the undertaking's strategy and business model(s) and of the adaptation of its strategy and DR S2-4: Targets related to business model(s) to such material risks and managing material negative impacts, advancing positive opportunities impacts, and managing material risks and opportunities AG on ESRS 2-IRO2: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material sustainability DR S2-5: Taking action on material impacts on own workforce and effectiveness of impacts, risks and opportunities as identified by reference to and in compliance with sector-agnostic and sectorthose actions specific level ESRS DR S2-6: Approaches to mitigating AG on ESRS 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce assessment of material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities that are not covered by an ESRS (entityspecific level)

Focus on developing the disclosures that can be expected of all entities under the scope of the CSRD. These standards provide **high-level disclosures** regarding an undertaking's impacts on value chain workers / affected communities / consumers&end users and related risks and opportunities, when viewed in general across an

First set:

undertaking's operations and upstream and downstream value chain.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Subsequent standards:

Subsequent standards are expected expand on these standards by providing more detailed disclosures in relation to the sub-topics and specific issues that would be identified as material through the sector-specific or entity-specific materiality determination, which will include actions to address specific impacts and risks, along with related targets and performance measures to cater for the diversity in value chains.

SFDR/CSDDD structural alignment

Initiatives from the Platform for Sustainable Finance (incl. announced guidance on the Minimum Safeguards), as well as the proposal for an EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, were taken into consideration to ensure that the structure of the reporting would be compatible with upcoming developments in this area.

Social standards: Embedding due diligence

Alignment of social standards with OECD Due Diligence

0. ESRS S1 - DRs 2 and 3: engage stakeholders and ESRS 2 DRs (SBM, IROs)



2. ESRS S1 DRs 1, 2, 5 and 6: integrate and act by developing policies, setting targets and taking action

3. ESRS 1 on targets, progress and tracking effectiveness and ESRS S2 – DR 4: track performance

4. The standards in their entirety contribute to the reporting obligation required by the draft CSRD: **communicate**

Approach developed in co-construction with Shift



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- 2. Project Task-Force achievements
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- 7. ESRS S1-S4: Social pillar
- 8. ESRS G1-G2: Governance pillar





Sustainability reporting state of play

1.1 ESG Reporting: Three main standard-setting projects underway. A political priority for Europe with ambitious content and timeline



1.2 Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD): The timetable



1.3 Draft CSRD: Main provisions (I/II)

Publication in April 2021 – Proposed entry into force: 2023 (2026 for listed SMEs)*

1. Reporting areas (on the 3 ESG topics)*

- Business model and strategy, including plans to ensure compatibility with the transition to a sustainable economy and limiting global warming to 1.5°C and considering stakeholders' interests
- · Sustainability objectives and progress towards the objectives
- Role of governance bodies on sustainability
- Sustainability policies
- Description of (i) due diligence, (ii) adverse value chain impacts and (iii) remedial actions
- Sustainability risks and management thereof
- · Indicators related to the above
- Intangibles (intellectual, human, social and relational capital [<IR> / WICI])*
- · Assessing materiality process for identifying information to be reported
- Time horizon: short, medium and long term
- Value chain including: own operations, products and services, business relationships and supply chain

2. Characteristics

- 3 levels of reporting: Sector-agnostic, sector-specific & entity-specific
- Double materiality
- Connectivity with financial reporting

*Ongoing discussions - Changes expected in the final CSRD text

1.3 Draft CSRD: Main provisions (II/II)

Publication in April 2021 – Proposed entry into force: 2023 (2026 for listed SMEs)*

3. Main new features (vs NFRD)

- Mandatory sustainability reporting standards drafts developed by EFRAG and issued as Delegated Acts
- Extended scope of application*
 - All **large companies**⁽¹⁾ within the meaning of the Accounting Directive: 2 of the 3 criteria: >250 employees, balance sheet total>€20M and turnover>€40M
 - All companies listed on EU regulated markets (except micro-enterprises, i.e. less than 10 employees among others)*
- Location in the management report
- Digitalisation
- Moderate assurance, towards reasonable assurance*
- Standards for SMEs

4. Topics (ESG)

- Environment: (alignment with the 6 environmental objectives of the Taxonomy)
- Social*: (i) equal opportunities (ii) working conditions and (iii) human rights
- Governance*: (i) Composition and role of governance bodies, (ii) business ethics & culture, (iii) political engagement, (iv) management and quality of relationships with business partners and (v) internal control and risk management systems

⁽¹⁾ Large undertakings are defined in the Accounting Directive for each country.

*Ongoing discussions - Changes expected in the final CSRD text

1.4 EFRAG Consultation. Exposure Drafts issued on 29 April and open for consultation until 8 August

Implementing concepts, contents, approach and timeline defined by the CSRD.

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EXPOSURE DRAFT

Consumers and end-users

1.5 International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB): Aiming to propose a global benchmark as basis for sustainability reporting



November 2021: Announcement of the creation of the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB)

- Develop standards that provide a global basis for sustainability information « a global baseline of sustainability disclosure standards »
- Working with the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) to ensure connectivity and compatibility of International Accounting Standards (IFRS/IAS) and ISSB (IFRS S)

First 2 exposure drafts (comments by 29 July)

- IFRS S1: General provisions for sustainability-related financial disclosures « General requirements for disclosure of sustainability-related financial information »
- IFRS S2: climate-related disclosures « Climate-related Disclosures »

Further standards on other topics will be published later

- Regular technical exchanges between ISSB and EFRAG.
- Jurisdictional Working Group to enhance compatibility between global baseline and jurisdictional initiatives (May 2022): *the SEC, EFRAG and ISSB representatives all acknowledged that there is significant compatibility between their proposals.*
- Bilateral dialogue also taking place.
- Detailed comparison of ESRS 1&2 and ESRS E1 with IFRS S1&2 available in appendix V.

Project Task-Force achievements

2.1 Project Task-Force achievements – Main steps

- 1st Task-Force 2020/2021 for « Proposals for a relevant and dynamic EU sustainability reporting standard-setting » - report issued on 8 March 2021
- Proposal by the EU Commission for a new CSRD on 21 April 2021
- 2nd Task-Force re-launched in June 2021 following invitation letter from Commissioner McGuinness received on 12 May 2021 in order to start elaborating standards in project mode (PTF):
 - 35 members from 13 different Member States
 - Supported by Secretariat members (30 full-time equivalent)
 - Input from Expert Working Groups (appointed in November 2021)
 - Co-construction with GRI, Shift, WICI + dialogue with the IFRS Foundation (TRWG/ISSB) + meeting with the SEC
- Final PTF –ESRS plenaries in Brussels and approval of the Exposure Drafts for public consultation on 25/26 April 2022
- Public consultation 13 Exposure drafts 29 April 2022

2.2 Project Task-Force : a robust due process



Basis for Conclusions (not part of the Delegated Act) on 31st May 2022

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2.3 Project Task-Force achievements – Overview of deliverables to date on the basis of the CSRD architecture

	CROSS-CUTTING STANDARDS									
ESRS 1 General Principles					ESRS 2 General, strategy, governance and materiality assessment disclosure requirements					
ENVIRONMENT										
ESRS E1 Climate change	ESRS E1 ESRS E2 Climate change Pollution		Water	ESRS E3 Water and marine resources		ESRS E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems		I	ESRS E5 Resource use and circular economy	
	SOCIAL									
ESRS S1 Own workforce		ESRS S2 Workers in the value chain		ESRS S3 Affected communities		Con	ESRS S4 Consumers and end- users			
GOVERNANCE										
ESRS G1 Governance, risk management and internal controls					ESRS G2 Business conduct					
APPENDICES										
Appendix I Navigating the ESRS	CS	ndix II RD ements	Appendix III SFDR Adverse Impacts in the ESRS		Appendix TCFD ar ESRS reconcilia table	nd	Appendi IFRS S1+ ESRS reconcilia table	2 / ition	Appendix VI Acronyms and glossary terms	

Set 1 exposure drafts: 13 for public consultation

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ESRS: Overview

3.1 ESRS Overview: Architecture An EU comprehensive sustainability reporting



The 'rules of three' approach for the architecture of a mandatory sustainability reporting regime



DOUBLE MATERIALITY : Financial materiality and impact materiality

(*) Cross-cutting standards: General principles and disclosures related to General Requirements, Strategy and Business Model (SBM), Impacts, risks and opportunities (IROSs) and Governance (GOV)

All Sector Agnostic 3.2 ESRS Overview – Exposure drafts release

Cross-cutting standards

- ESRS 1 General principles
- ESRS 2 General, strategy, governance and materiality assessment

Environment

- ESRS E1 Climate change
- ESRS E2 Pollution
- ESRS E3 Water and marine sources
- ESRS E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems
- ESRS E5 Resource and circular economy

Social

- ESRS S1 Own workforce
- ESRS S2 Workers in the value chain
- ESRS S3 Affected communities
- ESRS S4 Consumers and end users

Governance

- ESRS G1 Governance, risk management and internal control
- ESRS G2 Business conduct

Reporting Areas : Crosscutting

Reporting Areas : Implementation and Performance measures

3 Reporting topics: Environmental, Social, Governance

- EFRAG

3.3 Compatibility with TCFD and IFRS S1 core contents

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The structure and location of ESRS requirements reflects the need to cover the entire set of topics (not only one topic). Cross-cutting contents are dealt with in a single place, while implementation and performance measures are left at topical level



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3.4. ESRS Overview : Sustainability statements – as a second pillar of standardised corporate reporting

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1. Cross-cutting information

General provisions

• ESRS 2 General requirements DRs

Strategy and business model

- ESRS 2 Strategy, Business Model DRs
- Specific topical DR/AG from topical standards

Governance and Organisation

- ESRS 2 Governance DRs
- Specific topical DR/AG from topical standards

Impacts, Risks and Opportunities

- ESRS 2 Impacts, Risks & Opportunities DRs
- Specific topical DR/AG from topical standards

+ Sustainable Corporate Governance inititative?

NOTE:

- **DR**: Disclosure requirement
- AG: Application Guidance
- PTAPR: Policies, targets, action plans and resources
- (Implementation reporting area) Performance: Performance measures

- 2. Environmental information
- PTAPR related DR from ESRS E1 to E5
- Performance DR from ESRS E1 to E5
- Additional DR from relevant sector specific standards
- Potential additional entity specific information*

Disclosures pursuant to Article 8 of the taxonomy regulation

3. Social information

- PTAPR related DR from ESRS S1 to S4
- Performance DR from ESRS S1 to S4
- Additional DR from relevant sector specific standards
- Potential additional entity specific information*

4. Governance information

- PTAPR related DR from ESRS G1 to G2
- Performance DR from ESRS G1 to G2
- Additional DR from relevant sector specific standards
- Potential additional entity specific information*

*Prepared in compliance with ESRS 1 general provisions

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Next steps: Timetable

4.1 Next steps: Timetable

A critical step in the process of adopting European sustainability reporting standards



4.2 Public consultation EDs first set of draft ESRS (1/2)



- Feedback from constituents on three key aspects of the EDs and the survey has followed the same structure :
 - 1. The relevance of (i) the proposed architecture, (ii) the implementation of the CSRD principles and (iii) the overall content of each ED
 - 2. The possible options for prioritising / phasing-in the implementation of the ESRS, and
 - 3. the adequacy of each disclosure requirement mandated by each ED.
- Section 3 of the survey on disclosure requirements split as follows:
 - 3A. Cross Cutting standards
 - 3B. Environmental standards
 - 3C. Social standards
 - 3D. Governance standards
- Respondents are strongly encouraged to respond to section 1 and 2.
- Due to comprehensive nature of section 3, constituents may select the questions and standards to which they provide feedback (no need for complete responses).

4.3 Public consultation EDs first set of draft ESRS (2/2)



- Other information included in the public consultation:
 - Cover note
 - Appendix I: Navigating the ESRS
 - Appendix II: CSRD requirements mapping
 - Appendix III: SFDR PAI mapping
 - Appendix IV: TCFD recommendations and ESRS reconciliation table
 - Appendix V: IFRS Sustainability standards and ESRS reconciliation table
 - Appendix VI: Acronyms and glossary of terms
- EC survey tool
- Not consulting on second set of draft ESRS (SMEs and and sector specific)
- Outreaches during consultation period

Cross-cutting:

ESRS 1 General principles ESRS 2 General, strategy, governance and materiality assessment.

5.1 Chapter 1 Reporting under ESRS: implementation of the "rules of three"

(CSRD information quality) High degree of comparability across undertakings: standardized sector-agnostic (and sector specific) disclosure requirements are mandated for all undertakings



5.2 Chapter 2 Applying CSRD concepts: CSRD concepts as « Bedrock » of ESRS



5.3 Chapter 2 Applying CSRD concepts:

2.2. Double materiality as the basis for sustainability disclosures



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5.4 ESRS 1 – Key concepts: Double materiality and the possibility of rebutting the presumption of materiality

Impact materiality



Financial materiality

Rebuttable presumption

..., the undertaking shall assess (see ESRS 2 Disclosure Requirements IRO) for **each ESRS and, when relevant, for a group of disclosure requirements related to a specific aspect** covered by an ESRS if the presumption is **rebutted for**:

- (a) all of the mandatory disclosures of an entire ESRS, or
- (b) a group of disclosure requirements related to a specific aspect covered by an ESRS

based on reasonable and supportable evidence, in which case it is deemed to be **complied with through an explicit statement** that:

- (a) the ESRS or
- (b) the group of disclosure requirements
- is "not material for the undertaking".

Rebuttable presumption **is not applicable** to the Disclosure Requirements related to **ESRS 2 Disclosure Requirements SBM, GOV and IRO**.

No additional costs expected compared to assessing materiality without a list of requirements in both cases judgement and evidence are required

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- Having a predefined list supports comparability
- Having to rebut the presumption mitigates the risk of loss of relevant information



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5.6 ESRS 1 – Key concepts: Boundaries and value chain: Consolidation scope plus up- and down-stream



Not all the data need to include value chain information: "Risk-based" approach and link to materiality. The boundary has to be expanded when the integration is necessary to allow a proper understanding of material impacts, risks and opportunities and to produce a set of complete information that meets the qualitative characteristics of information quality.

5.7 Chapter 6 - Structure of sustainability statements: Three presentation options give flexibility. Incorporation by reference to other sections of MR

	6.1	Content of the sustainability statements Undertaking <u>shall</u> report all the applicable disclosures required by ESRS within identifiable parts of the management report constituting the 'Sustainability Statements'. Undertaking <u>may</u> include in its sustainability statements additional disclosures clearly identified and referenced to local legislation or general accepted framework.				
Structure of the sustainability statements		Structure of the sustainability statements				
		Options:				
		a) <u>Single separately identifiable section</u> of the management report				
	6.2	 b) <u>Aggregating the disclosures into four separately identifiable parts</u> of the management report: i) general information; ii) environmental information; iii) social information; and iv) governance information 				
		c) <u>Aggregating the disclosures required by each ESRS</u> and reporting them as non-separable blocks in identifiable parts of the management report "on a standard-by-standard basis"				

Par. 135/146 and AG 33 of ESRS 1: information mandated by ESRS may be incorporated by reference to another section of the MR (if separate, clearly identified as addressing the relevant ESRS disclosure requirement). A list of incorporation by references is required. Incorporation by reference to the financial statements is also allowed.

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5.8 Overview of ESRS 2

22 Disclosure requirements

Provides DRs for principles laid out in ESRS 1

Not subject to "rebuttable presumption" = fully mandatory Cross-cutting = provides context for all topical DRs

1st step in sustainability reporting in line with ESRS: MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT

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5.9 Objective and Overview: Objective of ESRS 2

To set out the disclosure requirements of the undertaking's sustainability reporting that are of a crosscutting nature. They are those:



5.10 Objective and Overview: Disclosure Requirements of ESRS 2 (I/II)

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS DR 2-GR1: General characteristics of the sustainability reporting of the undertaking SFDR DR 2-GR2: Sector(s) of activity DR 2-GR3: Key features of the value chain TCFD DR 2-GR4: Key drivers of the value creation DR 2-GR5: Using approximations on the disclosure in relation to boundary and value chain DR 2-GR6: Disclosing on significant estimation uncertainty DR 2-GR7: Changes in preparation and presentation DR 2-GR8: Prior period errors DR 2-GR9: On other sustainability reporting pronouncements DR 2-GR10: General statement of compliance ISSB

STRATEGY & BUSINESS MODEL

DR 2-SBM1: Overview of strategy and business model	ISSB	CSRD
DR 2-SBM2: Views, interests and expectations of	ISSB	CSRD
stakeholders		
DR 2-SBM3: Interaction of impacts and the undertaking's	ISSB	CSRD
Strategy and business model		
DR 2-SBM4: Interaction of risks and opportunities and the	TCFD	CSRD
undertaking's strategy and business model	ISSB	

5.10 Objective and Overview: Disclosure Requirements of ESRS 2 (II/II)



IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES

DR 2-IRO1: Description of the processes to identify materia			
sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities	TCFD		
DR 2-IRO2: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of SFDR	CSRD		
ISSB Issa Issa Issa Issa Issa Issa Issa Iss	TCFD		
identified by reference to and in compliance with			
sector-agnostic and sector-specific level ESRS			
DR 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of SFDR	CSRD		
material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities	TCFD		
that are not covered by an ESRS (entity-specific level)			

Focus on DR – GOV 5: Statement on due diligence DR related to Governance in ESRS 2

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DR 2- GOV 5: Statement on due diligence

The undertaking shall provide a mapping that reconciles the main aspects of sustainability due diligence to the relevant disclosures in its sustainability statements

Main aspect of sustainability due diligence Relevant disclosure	
 Embedding due diligence in governance and organizations 	
Engaging with stakeholders	
Identifying and assessing adverse impacts	
Taking action	
Tracking effectiveness and communicating	

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Focus on DR – IRO1, 2 and 3

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DRs related to Materiality assessment impacts, risks and opportunities in ESRS 2





Environment:

- E1 Climate change
- E2 Pollution
- E3 Water and marine resources
- E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems
- E5 Resource use and circular economy

6.1 E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

ESRS E1Disclosure Requirements (I/IV)

1 Disclosure Requirement related to Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

- DR E1-1 Transition plan for climate change mitigation
 CSRD
 ISSB
 - CSRD ISSB CSDDD US SEC

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Resilience of strategy and business model
- AG on ESRS 2-GOV 4: Climate-related remuneration ISSB & Internal carbon pricing schemes ISSB US SEC
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: material climate-related impacts, risks and opportunities
 CSRD
 US SEC*

* Risks and opportunities only

 The company's plans to ensure that the business model is compatible with limiting global warming to 1.5°C in line with the Paris Agreement.

Information related to ESRS 2:

- Resilience of strategy and business model, complementing the mitigation transition plan.
- Incentive compensation schemes linked to climate objectives and elements on the incentive use of an internal carbon price (investment decisions, internal performance reviews, etc.).
- Description of climate-related impacts, risks and opportunities in relation to the TCFD and the physical risks of the Taxonomy, and the process for identifying these. Also includes information to be published on scenario analysis with the use of a 1.5°C scenario for transition risks and a high scenario for physical risks.

6.1 E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

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ESRS E1 – Focus on Gross VS Net risks



6.1 E1 Climate change: Disclosure Requirements Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

ESRS E1 – Focus on Transition Plan

DR E1-1 Transition plan for climate change mitigation



"...the undertaking is expected to provide a high-level explanation on how it will adjust its strategy and business model to ensure compatibility with the transition to a climate-neutral economy and with limiting of global warming to 1.5°C in line with the Paris Agreement ... and shall, where applicable, refer to and contextualise information presented under other disclosures requirements of this [draft] standard."

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ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (II/IV)

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- DR E1-2 Policies implemented to manage climate change mitigation and adaptation
- DR E1-3 Measurable targets for climate change mitigation and adaptation
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- DR E1-4 – Climate change mitigation and adaptation action

plans and resources

Information to be published in relation to the Disclosure Principles (ESRS 1):

- Policies to manage GHG emissions, physical and transition risks and opportunities.
- Targets, including for reducing GHG emissions. Additional information to be provided if a net-zero target (including removals) or carbon neutrality (including carbon credits) is claimed.
- Action plan and resources to implement policies and achieve targets.

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CSRD*

Taxo*

ISSB*

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ESRS E1 – Focus on Scenario Analysis



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ESRS E1 - Focus on targets

"The undertaking shall disclose the climate-related targets it has adopted."



Reporting on GHG emission reduction targets:

- Absolute targets
- Scope 1, 2 and 3
- No netting of emissions to claim target achievement
- From 2025 in 5-year rolling periods
- Science-based?
- Decarbonization levers to achieve targets

Reductions planned in Reductions expected in Activity own operations value chain growth/ scope tCO₂eq extension 2025-30 Industrial Energy Transport Efficiency Fuel Buildings Switching Energy Efficiency Industrial Electri-Use of - XX% fication Renewables Supply Chain GHG Decarbonistion Emissions 1.5°C-aligned reference target value Efficiency in products use phase Decarbonisation of electricity mix in operating countries GHG Emissions GHG GHG emission reduction targets Net zero targets Emissions Target year 2050 Base year 2030 2025 GHG removals from own

ESRS E1 Graphical pathway of GHG targets

operations, value chain

ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements) (III/IV)

13 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measures 1/2



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- The information on energy consumption makes it possible to assess the company's absolute consumption, its evolution and the share of renewable energy.
- Intensity information meets the requirements of the SFDR.
- Publication of GHG emissions: Scopes 1, 2, 3 and Total. For Scope 3, selection from the 15 most significant GHG Protocol categories.
- Scope 3: calculation updated every 3 years, published annually.
- Distinction between "Removals" = actions to permanently reduce GHGs from the atmosphere within the value chain and "carbon credits" = financing outside the value chain by purchasing credits.
- Optionality of avoided emissions lack of maturity and consensus on calculation methods.

ESRS E1 – Focus on GHG Scope 3 methodology

DR E1-9 Scope 3 GHG emissions



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ESRS E1 Disclosure Requirements (IV/IV)

13 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measures 2/2



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ESRS E1 – Focus on financial effects

DR E1-15 – Potential financial effects from material physical risks



ESRS E1 - Focus on financial effects

DR E1-16 – Potential financial effects from material transition risks



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6.4 E2 Pollution: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements which will enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to pollution.

- Pollution and prevention, control and reduction
 - of air- emissions into air (both indoor and outdoor)
 - of water (including groundwater)
 - of soil (at production site, outside, through use of undertaking's products and services)
- Production, use and/or distribution and commercialisation of
 - Substances of concerns (having a chronic effect for human health or the environment or substances which hamper recycling for safe and high quality secondary raw materials)
 - Most harmful substances (listed in the EU Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability)
- Enabling activities in support of prevention, control and elimination of pollution (four remaining environmental objectives of the EU Taxonomy Regulation)

6.5 E2 Pollution: Overview (I/III)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM 4: Resilience of strategy and business model
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: material pollution-related impacts, risks and opportunities
- Link to the EU Action Plan initiative "Towards a Zero Pollution for Air, Water and Soil", and value chain consideration.
- Five sub-themes: air pollution, water pollution, soil pollution, substances of concern (including the most harmful substances) and enabling activities to prevent, control and eliminate pollution.
- Link to the definitions of the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability, the EU REACH Regulation, the E-PRTR (European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register), the Industrial Emissions Directive and the work of the Sustainable Finance Platform.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

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- DR E2-1 Policies implemented to prevent and control CSRD pollution
- DR E2-2 Measurable targets for pollution





- DR E2-3 – Pollution action plans and resources

- Policies should pursue an objective (prevention, minimisation, etc.) related to one of the five sub-themes.
- Targets should be expressed in terms of the volume of pollutants concerned, as well as in terms of turnover and raw material costs for substances of concern, and the link should be made with the BAT benchmarks.
- The actions serve the objectives in line with the regulations.

6.5 E2 Pollution: Overview (II/III)

4 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

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- DR E2-4 Pollution to air, water and soil
- DR E2-5 Substances of concern and most harmful substances
- **DR E2-6** Pollution-related incidents and deposit impacts and risks, and financial exposure to the undertaking
- DR E2-7 Potential financial effects from pollution-related impacts, risks and opportunities
- Taxonomy Regulation

Pollution to air, water and soil

- Information on the list and volumes of air, water and soil pollutants generated or used throughout the value chain, as well as the area affected where relevant (including Annex II E-PRTR).
- Link to degree of urbanisation and air quality indicators, as well as to the EU Industrial Emissions Directive and BAT/BREFs where relevant.

Substances of concern

- Specific information on the share of turnover and raw material costs related to these substances.

Incidents and deposits

- Information on the main incidents and deposits, their impacts as well as their associated and provisioned costs.

SFDR Link to additional indicators SFDR on Emissions of inorganic pollutants, air pollutants and ozone-depleting substances.

6.5 E2 Pollution: Overview (III/III)

"The undertaking shall disclose the list of pollutants that are generated or used during production processes or that are procured, and that leave its facilities as emissions, as products, or as part of products or services."



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6.6 E3 Water and marine resources: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to water and marine resources

Water

- Undertaking's relationship with water in its upstream and downstream value chain, in terms of dependencies, impacts, risks and opportunities and how it effectively addresses these issues
- Where and how much water is withdrawn, consumed and discharged for the undertaking's activities, products and services
- What are the water-related impacts caused or contributed to by the undertaking
- How the undertaking is exposed to water-related risks (flood risks, water scarcity risks, etc)

Marine resources

• Undertaking's activities which cause or contribute to impacts either through the use of ocean-based resources, discharges and emissions to the environment which end up in the oceans, or activities located in maritime (naval matters) areas

6.7 E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (I/III)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: Water and marine resources-related impacts, risks and opportunities



- Water and marine resources sub-themes, covering the impacts and dependencies of water abstraction, consumption and discharge, including exposure to physical hazards (flooding, water stress, etc.).
- Link with the Water Framework Directive and the EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive.
- Water is a local issue: criticality of geographical sites, hydrological basins.
- Importance of raw materials and consideration of suppliers.
- Marine resources: consideration of deep-sea mineral resources, gravel and seafood.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

DR E3-1: Policies implemented to manage marine	e water a		RD DR
		G	RI
Resources		CD	SB
		CSRD	
DR E3-2: Measurable targets for water an	d marine	GRI	
resources	CEO W	CDP W	
	CDSB	F Mer	
			CSRD
DR E3-3: Water and marine action plans	and		CDSB
resources			

- Value chain and link to EU policies and quantified commitments to reduce water abstraction, consumption and discharge.

6.7 E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (II/III)

The process of identifying material IROs should include:

Geographical areas with water-related quality, quantity, regulatory or reputational issues for its facilities and for the facilities of key suppliers

Commodities used by the undertaking which have an impact on the environmental status of marine waters as well as on the protection of marine resources

Business activities for which water issues and access to commodities represent a material risk

Sites located in areas of high-water stress

Processes to identify suppliers in the value chain with material water quantity or water quality related impacts or risks

Processes to conduct an assessment of key suppliers

Processes to screen marine resource-related commodities in its purchases

Outcomes:

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A list of geographical areas where water is a material issue for the undertaking's operations and value chain

A list of commodities used by the undertaking which are material to the good environmental status of marine waters as well as for the protection of marine resources

A list of business activities associated to water and marine resources material IROs

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Recommended databases: WWF Water Risk Filter, World Resources Institute's (WRI) Water Risk Atlas tool Aqueduct, annex II to EU Recommendation 2021/2279 on the use of the Environmental Footprint methods.

6.7 E3 Water and marine resources: Overview (III/III)

4 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement



SFDR Link to SFDR principal indicator on Emissions to water and additional indicators on Water usage and recycling, Investments in companies without water management policies and Exposure to areas of high-water stress.

6.8 E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Objective

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to biodiversity and ecosystems

- Undertaking's relationship to terrestrial, freshwater and marine habitats, ecosystems and populations of related fauna and flora species, including diversity within species, between species and of ecosystems and their interrelation with many indigenous and local communities
- 'Biological diversity' covers the variability among living organisms from all sources including, inter alia, terrestrial, freshwater, marine and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are part of

6.9 E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (I/III)

1 Disclosure Requirement related to Strategy, Governance and materiality assessment

TNFD

TNFD

- DR E4-1 Transition plan in line with the targets of no net loss by 2030, net gain from 2030 and full recovery by 2050
- Information on the compatibility of the business model with the EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030 and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.
- Identification of biodiversity loss levers (threatened species, protected areas and key areas) in the value chain and remediation actions (avoid, minimise, restore, compensate) on the main resources/dependencies and assets concerned.

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2-SBM 4: Resilience of strategy and business model
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: Biodiversity and ecosystems related impacts, risks and opportunities
 CSRD
 SFDR

Resilience : advocating the use of scenarios (e.g. IPBES, ENCORE, etc.).

Materiality assessment :

- Advocacy of databases, assessment by geographical location and by commodity, consideration of threatened species, protected areas and key zones.
- Distinction between physical, transition and systemic risks, as well as opportunities in relation to TNFD and CDSB work.
- Presence of activity in biodiversity hotspots.

6.9 E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (II/III)

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- DR E4-2 Policies implemented to manage biodiversity and ecosystems
- **DR E4-3** Measurable targets for biodiversity and ecosystems
- **DR E4-4** Biodiversity and ecosystems action plans and resources

- Information in relation to the transition plan, as well as the hierarchy of levers: avoid, minimise, restore, compensate, and mitigate.
- Key role of the value chain, traceability of raw materials and suppliers, and importance of social issues of IROs including in relation to the use of genetic resources and interaction with local communities.

6 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

- DR E4-5 Pressure metrics DR E4-6 – Impact metrics
- DR E4-7 Response metrics
- **DR E4-8** Biodiversity-friendly consumption and production metrics
- DR E4-9 Biodiversity offsets
- $\label{eq:def-DR} \textbf{E4-10} \textbf{Potential financial effects from biodiversity-related}$
- impacts, risks and opportunities
- **Taxonomy Regulation**

- Very basic indicators, in line with ongoing work at international level and the lack of agreed indicators, description of characteristics that indicators should have.
- SFDR Link to SFDR principal indicator on Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas and additional indicators on Land degradation, desertification, soil sealing, Investments in companies without sustainable land/agriculture practices, Investments in companies without sustainable oceans / seas practices, Natural species and protected areas and Deforestation.

6.9 E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems: Overview (III/III)



6.10 E5 Resource use and circular economy

To specify disclosure requirements to enable users of the sustainability statements to understand material impacts, actions taken, results of such actions, material risks and opportunities related to resource use and circular economy

- Circular economy is a restorative system in which waste and pollution are eliminated and resource use is minimised through systemic design, maintaining and improving the value of products and components and achieving a circular flow of resources, while regenerating natural ecosystems
- The goal is to retain the value of the resources, products and materials by creating a system with innovative business models that allow for renewability, long life optimal use or re-use, refurbishment, remanufacturing, recycling and biodegradation.
- A circular economy is based on three principles, driven by design: eliminate waste and pollution, keep products and materials in use at their highest value and regenerate ecosystems. It is underpinned by a transition to renewable energy.
- Decoupling economic activity from extraction of natural resources can take place through the implementation of circular strategies to prevent natural resources extraction and intensify circular material use.

6.11 E5 Resource use and circular economy: Overview (I/II)

Application guidance related to ESRS 2

- AG on ESRS 2 SBM 3 and SBM 4 on the integration of resource use and circular economy in the business model
- AG on ESRS 2-IRO 1 and 2: on impacts, risks and opportunities

- Link with the European plan on the circular economy.
- Integration of circular economy principles in the business model: elimination of waste and pollution, circularity of products, regeneration of nature, decoupling of economic activity from natural resource extraction, products and materials maintained at their highest value.
- Materiality assessment in relation to the five sub-themes described in E5-4 to E5-8 in relation to the scenarios of remaining in a linear economy versus making a transition to a circular economy.

3 Disclosure Requirements related to Policies, targets, action plans and resources

- **DR E5-1 Policies** implemented to manage resource use and circular economy
- DR E5-2 Measurable targets for resource use and circular economy
- **DR E5-3** Resource use and circular economy **action plans**
- Policies to decouple activity and use of non-renewable resources / regenerate renewable resources and ecosystems.
- Action plans related to the sub-themes and the three principles of the circular economy.

6.11 E5 Resource use and circular economy: Overview (II/II)

6 Disclosure Requirements related to performance measurement

- DR E5-4 Resource inflows
- DR E5-5 Resource outflows
- DR E5-6 Waste
- SFDR
- DR E5-7 Resource use optimisation
- DR E5-8 Circularity support
- **DR E5-9** Financial effects from resource use and circulareconomy-related impacts, risks and opportunities
- Taxonomy Regulation
- SFDR

Link to SFDR principal indicator on Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio and additional indicator on Non-recycled waste ratio. Information on the five sub-themes:

- quantitative (absolute value et percentage) et qualitative.
- **Resource Inflows**: information on the materials used (renewable, reused, recycled).
- Resource Outflows: information on the weight and percentage of products, materials and packaging intentionally created to contribute to the circular economy, i.e. sustainability, reusability, reparability, disassembly, recycling, etc.
- *Waste*: details of hazardous/non-hazardous waste and waste destination.
- Resource use optimisation: share of turnover for products and services that optimise the use of resources and promote circular business models.
- *Circularity support*: coordinated actions and partnerships in the value chain.

Social:

S1 Own workforceS2 Workers in the value chainS3 Affected communitiesS4 Consumers and end-users

7.1 [draft] CSRD Mandate on Social sustainability matters

Background and methodology

Standard development based on CSRD, Article 19 b (Extract)

" (b) specify the information that undertakings are to disclose about <u>social</u> <u>factors</u>, including information about:

(i) Equal opportunities	for all, including <u>gender equality</u> and <u>equal pay for equal work</u> , <u>training and skills</u> <u>development</u> , and <u>employment and inclusion of people with disabilities;</u>
(ii) Working conditions	including <u>secure and adaptable employment</u> , <u>wages</u> , <u>social dialogue</u> , <u>collective</u> <u>bargaining</u> and the <u>involvement of workers</u> , <u>work-life balance</u> , and a <u>healthy, safe</u> <u>and well-adapted work environment</u> ;
(iii) Respect for the human rights	fundamental freedoms, democratic principles and standards established in the International Bill of Human Rights and other core UN human rights conventions, the International Labour Organization's <u>Declaration on Fundamental Principles</u> and Rights at Work and the ILO fundamental conventions and the <u>Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union</u> ."
7.2 Social standards: Structure of the social pillar



7.3 Social standards: Definition of workforce



7.4 S1 Own workforce: Overview (I/IV)



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7.4 S1 Own workforce: Overview (II/IV)

Standard Architecture

Strategy	Policies, targets, action plans, and resources	Performance Measures, Wor opportunities, Other work-re		
AG reference to SBM2-4	S1-1: Policies	Performance measures (General)		
AG reference to IRO2-3	S1-2: Processes for engaging with workers	S1-7: Employee characteristics Working conditions	S1-8: Non-employee characteristics	
AG reference to GOV2	S1-3: Channels for workers to	S1-9: Training	S1-10: Health & safety management	
	raise concerns	S1-11: Health & safety KPIs	S1-12: Working Hours ¹	
	S1-4: T argets related to managing material impacts, risks	S1-13: Work-Life Balance	S1-14: Fair remuneration	
	and opportunities	S1-15: Social security]	
	S1-5: Action on material impacts	Equal opportunities		
	S1-6: Approaches to material risks and opportunities	S1-16: Gender pay gap	S1-17: Annual compensation	
		S1-18: Discrimination	S1-19: Persons with disabilities	
		S1-20: Employee benefits]	
		Other work-related rights		
		S1-21: Grievances & complaints	S1-22: Collective bargaining	
		S1-23: Work stoppages	S1-24: Social dialogue	
		S1-25: Human rights issues	S1-26: Privacy	

¹ Optional Disclosure Requirement

7.4 S1 Own workforce: Overview (III/IV)

Reference frameworks

STRATEGY (complemented by ESRS 2)	IMPLEMENTATION		
AG on ESRS 2-SBM2: Interaction between material impacts , risks and opportunities and the strategy and business model	DR S1-1: Policies , targets, action plans and resources	OECD UNGP SFDR GRI	
AG on ESRS 2-SBM3: Workforce matters on people and the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material sustainability impacts	DR S1-2: Processes for engaging with own workers and workers' representatives about impacts	OECD UNGP SFDR GRI	
AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Workforce matters that originate from or are connected to the undertaking's strategy and business model(s) and of the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material risks and opportunities	DR S1-3: Channels for own workers and workers' representatives to raise concerns	SFDR UNGP	
AG on ESRS 2-IRO2: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material SFDR sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities as identified by reference to and in	DR S1-4: Targets related to managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts, and managing material risks and opportunities	UNGP GRI	
compliance with sector-agnostic and sector-specific level ESRS AG on ESRS 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material SFDR sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities that are not covered by an ESRS	DR S1-5: Taking action on material impacts on own workforce and effectiveness of those actions	OECD UNGP GRI	
(entity-specific level)	DR S1-6: Approaches to mitigating material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce	SASB OECD	
ESRS 2-GOV2: Information of administrative , management and supervisory bodies about sustainability matters	L		



7.4 S1 Own workforce: Overview (IV/IV)

Reference frameworks



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7.5 S2-4 Workers in the value chain / Affected communities / Consumers and end-users: Overview

STRATEGY (complemented by ESRS 2)

AG on ESRS 2-SBM2: Interaction between **material impacts**, **risks** and **opportunities** and the strategy and business model

AG on ESRS 2-SBM3: Workforce matters on people and the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such material sustainability impacts

AG on ESRS 2-SBM4: Workforce matters that originate from or are connected to the undertaking's strategy and business model(s) and of the adaptation of its strategy and business model(s) to such **material risks** and **opportunities**

SFDR

AG on ESRS 2-IRO2: Outcome of the

undertaking's assessment of material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities as identified by reference to and in compliance with **sector-agnostic** and **sectorspecific** level ESRS

AG on ESRS 2-IRO3: Outcome of the undertaking's assessment of material sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities that are not covered by an **ESRS (entity-specific** level)

IMPLEMENTATION

DR S2-1: Policies, targets,	GRI	OECD	UNGP			
action plans and resources		SFDR				
DR S2-2: Processes for engaging with own workers and workers' representatives about impacts						
·	GRI	OFCD	UNGP			

DR S2-3: Channels for own workers and workers' representatives to raise concerns

DR S2-4: **Targets** related to **GRI UNGP** managing material negative impacts, advancing positive impacts, and managing material risks and opportunities

DR S2-5: **Taking action** on **GRI** OECD UNG material impacts on own workforce and effectiveness of those actions

DR S2-6: Approaches to mitigating



material risks and pursuing material opportunities related to own workforce

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

First set:

Focus on developing the disclosures that can be expected of **all entities** under the scope of the CSRD. These standards provide **high-level disclosures** regarding an undertaking's impacts on value chain workers / affected communities / consumers&end users and related risks and opportunities, when viewed in general across an undertaking's operations and upstream and downstream value chain.

Subsequent standards:

Subsequent standards are expected expand on these standards by providing more detailed disclosures in relation to the sub-topics and specific issues that would be identified as material through the **sector-specific** or **entity-specific** materiality determination, which will include actions to address specific impacts and risks, along with related targets and performance measures to cater for the diversity in value chains.

SFDR/CSDDD structural alignment

Initiatives from the Platform for Sustainable Finance (incl. announced guidance on the Minimum Safeguards), as well as the proposal for an EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, were taken into consideration to ensure that the structure of the reporting would be compatible with upcoming developments in this area.

7.6 Social standards: Embedding due diligence

Alignment of social standards with OECD Due Diligence

0. ESRS S1 - DRs 2 and 3: engage stakeholders and ESRS 2 DRs (SBM, IROs)



2. ESRS S1 DRs 1, 2, 5 and 6: integrate and act by developing policies, setting targets and taking action

3. ESRS 1 on targets, progress and tracking effectiveness and ESRS S2 – DR 4: track performance

4. The standards in their entirety contribute to the reporting obligation required by the draft CSRD: **communicate**

Approach developed in co-construction with Shift

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G1 Governance, risk management, internal control G2 Busines conduct

8.1 [draft] CSRD mandate on Governance sustainability matters

Governance as a separate category of sustainability matters

The Governance category (G) is broader than traditionally considered under the concept of 'governance'. The aim is to cover the full spectrum of relevant matters in order to report on sustainability aspects relating to the reporting undertaking itself, including but not limited to governance.

CSRD Article 19 b)

(c) specify the information that undertakings are to disclose about governance factors, including information about:

(i)

the role of the undertaking's administrative, management and supervisory bodies, including with regard to sustainability matters, and their composition;

- (ii) the business ethics and corporate culture, including anti-corruption and anti-bribery;
- (iii) political engagements of the undertaking, including its lobbying activities;
- (iv) the management and quality of relationships with business partners, including payment practices;
- (v) the undertaking's internal control and risk management systems, including in relation to the undertaking's reporting process.

G1 Governance, risk management, internal control

G2 Busines conduct

8.3 G1 Governance, risk management, internal control : Interaction with ESRS 2 (Governance disclosure requirements in cross-cutting)



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8.4 G1 Governance, risk management, internal control : Overview

STRATEGY	IMPLEMENTATION	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
DR G1-1: Governance structure GRI Acc Dir	DR G1-2: Corporate governance code or policyAcc DirDR G1-3: Nomination processGRIDR G1-4: Diversity policyAcc DirDR G1-5: Evaluation processGRIDR G1-6: Remuneration policySR DirDR G1-7: Risk managementGRIDR G1-8: Internal controlGRI	DR G1-9: Composition of ASMB SFDR Acc Dir DR G1-10: Meetings and attendance rate
General description of ASMB and their composition	 More detailed description of specific aspects General description of the risk management & internal control processes and how they enable the ASMB to exercise their responsibility to oversee the undertaking. 	Indicators to measure performance of policy objectives defined by previous DRs

8.5 G2 Business conduct: Overview

STRATEGY

DR 1: Business conduct culture GRI

IMPLEMENTATION

DR 2: Policies and targets on business conduct SFDR G DR 3: Prevention and detection of corruption and bribery G

DR 4: Anti-competitive behaviour prevention and detection GRI

- A description of how business conduct is promoted and integrated into the culture of the undertaking
- Description of how the business conduct culture is translated into clearly defined policies, procedures and objectives
- Including prevention and detection

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

DR 5: Anti-corruption and anti-bribery training GRI DR 6: Corruption or bribery events SFDR GRI DR 7: Anti-competitive behaviour events GRI DR 8: Beneficial ownership Dir 2015/849 GRI DR 9: Political engagement and lobbying activities GRI DR 10: Payment practices

Measuring the achievement of policies and objectives in previous DRs

- · covering anti-corruption/anti-bribery training
- current legal proceedings (number, inventory, penalties or fines paid)
- · lobbying activities and their funding
- contractual terms of payment and practices

8.6 G2 Consultation on indicators of payment practices

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CONSULTATION: SPECIFIC QUESTION

Payment delays complicate the financial management of undertakings, especially SMEs¹, who rely on predictable flows of cash to operate. According to the relevant EU legislation (Directive 2011/7/EU) a payment is late when the creditor has not received the funds at the expiry of the period negotiated in the contract. And yet, even payments performed within the contractually negotiated period can hide unfair payment practices. Very often businesses accept payment terms longer than they are comfortable with², as such terms may reflect the one party's power compared to the other, such as by virtue of its size or brand.

- 1) Do you consider that the indicators in G2-10 (in isolation or jointly) capture the following sufficiently:
 - a) the extent to which accounts payable or creditors at period end have been outstanding; and
 - b) the fairness of the undertaking's payment practices?

If not, please provide your rationale and indicate the sector(s) for which you deem add-ons necessary.

- 2) What alternative indicators would you propose? Please specify whether your proposal(s) are of sector-agnostic or sector-specific nature.
- 3) If you are a preparer, do you currently capture amounts of interest charged on late payments separately in your accounts and what are the costs for disclosing this?

¹ SMEs (Small and Medium-sized enterprises) are defined according to the Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC <u>https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/sme-definition_en</u>

² According to the Intrum European payment Report 2021, on average 49% of businesses in the EU accepted payment terms longer than they are comfortable with out of fear of losing their customers or damaging business relations.





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