

EUROPEAN ROUNDTABLE

Impactful Due Diligence with Stakeholder Engagement

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CONTEXT

Following the release of the **Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CS3D)** proposal by the European Commission in February 2022, the legislative process has progressed amid varying legislative positions, perspectives, and intense debates involving civil society representatives, businesses, and governments.

ABOUT THE ROUNDTABLE

In this session, we will delve into the **crucial role of stakeholder engagement within the framework of Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence**, highlighting the expectations set forth by European legislation. We'll explore how comprehensive engagement with stakeholders—including workers, communities, and civil society—is essential for identifying and **assessing sustainability impacts**, ensuring transparency, and fostering accountability in business practices.

Our discussion will provide actionable insights into developing a robust stakeholder engagement strategy, emphasizing the importance of **identifying and prioritizing stakeholders**, **setting clear engagement goals**, **choosing appropriate methods of engagement**, and the necessity of ongoing communication and adaptability. Furthermore, we will examine the myriad benefits that effective stakeholder engagement brings to sustainability due diligence, such as improved risk management, enhanced company reputation, more informed decision-making, and increased opportunities for innovation and collaboration.

By integrating these practices, businesses can not only meet the regulatory demands but **also secure long**term success and sustainability in an ever-evolving global marketplace. This session is designed to equip participants with the knowledge and tools needed to implement meaningful stakeholder engagement strategies that drive positive change and compliance with European legislative expectations.

This Roundtable will answer the following questions:

- What changes for companies after the failed adoption of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive?
- How is the international regulatory framework on due diligence impacting business strategies and operations?
- Why advancing on due diligence is key despite the halt in the regulatory push?



WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- CSR/Environmental/Sustainability Managers
- Sustainable Reporting officials
- Civil Society Organizations

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REGISTER:

- CSR Europe members, representatives of the EU institutions, and civil society organizations can register for free here.
- Non-members and other stakeholders can <u>buy the Summit ticket here</u>. Register before 30th April and get access to the Early Bird rate.

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ABOUT THE SUMMIT:

The European Sustainable Industry Summit stands as the premier gathering for forward-thinking companies leading the charge in shaping the next era of corporate sustainability practices, advancing a resilient, inclusive, and environmentally responsible Europe. Following the European elections and drawing inspiration from the Antwerp Declaration for a European Industrial Deal and <u>CSR Europe's Business Manifesto 2024-2029</u>, this Summit is poised to delve into tangible approaches for securing a sustainable future for Europe: how can Europe shift from ambitious sustainability goals, as outlined in the EU Green Deal policies, towards active multistakeholder engagement and investment? Over two days, c-level representatives of business, European institutions, and civil society organizations, will share invaluable knowledge and strategies to boost the engagement and impact of the European industry with stakeholders inside and outside Europe



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