

PLENARY Business Leaders for an Inclusive Green Deal Monday, 10 October 2022 | 11:30 -13:00 CET

CONTEXT:

After the pandemic and amid the outbreak of the war in Ukraine, the world needs to accelerate the journey towards climate neutrality and the **adoption of an inclusive approach to the green and digital transition.** However, the lack of preparedness to disruptions to workforces, supply chains, communities, and consumers caused by the war and the transition to net-zero, risk exacerbating inequalities within and between countries.

In line with its welfare state experience, **Europe is taking the lead to leave no one behind in this transformation** with the Green Deal, REPowerEU, the European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan, the Just Transition Mechanism, and the NextGenerationEU Programme.

ABOUT THE SESSION:

Join this session to learn how European policymakers, businesses, and investors are currently designing and implementing **Just Transition strategies, guidelines, and collaborations** at international, European, and local level. The event will mark a step forward toward the creation of a wider EU Business Alliance for Just Transition and **incubation of sector and cross-sector public-private partnerships** to scale up Just Transition plans and their impacts.

CSR Europe will launch the European Business Roadmap for a Just Transition and its related Toolbox and the second edition of the European Sustainable Industry Barometer (view the first edition). The European Business Roadmap for a Just Transition and its Toolbox, developed by CSR Europe's <u>People</u> Leaders Hub, provide a guide for companies to build their own Just Transition plans in Europe. The Barometer, developed in collaboration with Moody's ESG Solutions, provides data on the social dimension of the ESG efforts of European industry federations and companies. The report demonstrates the progresses made and where additional efforts are needed.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- CEOs/C-Suite level representatives
- Sustainability Officers
- EU policymakers
- Civil society organisations

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TIME (CET)	AGENDA ITEM	GUEST SPEAKERS & PANELISTS
11:30-11:35	Welcome	 Jan Noterdaeme Co-Founder & Senior Advisor, CSR Europe
11:35-12:05	High-Level Speeches	 Ilham Kadri, (recorded) Chief Executive Officer, Solvay Chair, CSR Europe Advisory Board Executive Committee Chair, WBCSD Etienne Davignon, Minister of State & President, CSR Europe Nicolas Schmit, (recorded) European Commissioner for Jobs & Social Rights, European Commission
12:05-12:20	The European Sustainable Industry Barometer & The European Business Roadmap for a Just Transition	 Keeran Gwilliam-Beeharee VP - ESG Outreach & Research, Moody's ESG Solutions Lorenzo Fantini Managing Director and Partner, Boston Consulting Group Caspar Henke ESG/Sustainability Coordinator, The Adecco Group
12:20-12:30	Leaders' Statements	(recorded)

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12:30-12:50	Go Local for the People: The European Business Alliance for Just Transition	Jan Noterdaeme <i>Co-Founder & Senior Advisor,</i> CSR Europe
		 James Gomme Director, Equity Action & Member of the Extended Leadership Group, BCTI WBCSD
		Camille Putois <i>Chief Executive Officer,</i> Business 4 Inclusive Growth
12:50-13:00	Closing Address	Francesco Starace Chief Executive Officer and General Manager, Enel Chair, SEforALL's Administrative Board

ABOUT THE EUROPEAN SDG SUMMIT 2022

Ahead of the 27th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP27) in Egypt, CSR Europe and its members are happy to welcome you at the European SDG Summit 2022: Together for an Inclusive Green Deal.

After the pandemic and amid the outbreak of the war in Ukraine, the world needs to accelerate the journey towards climate neutrality and the adoption of an inclusive approach to the green and digital transition. Together with Environment and Governance, the **Social dimension of ESG** is now well understood as an equally important driver to enhance sustainability, but more attention is needed on how to address inequalities. The scale and magnitude of the effort ahead require not only individual commitments but also collaborative actions from all stakeholders.

At the Summit, CSR Europe will also release the second edition of the <u>European Sustainable Industry Barometer</u> in collaboration with **Moody's ESG Solutions.** The Barometer will provide data on the sustainability level and maturity of European industry federations, with a focus on the **social dimension of their ESG efforts**, demonstrating the progresses made and where additional efforts are needed.

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