

## EUROPEAN SDG ROUNDTABLE

### Digitalization & Reporting: How Tech can Boost Sustainability Disclosure

Wednesday, 12 October 2022 | 09:30 -11:00 CET

#### CONTEXT:

Demand for non-financial information is increasing and, more and more, **companies are relying on technology and data providers to disclose more consistent and accountable information**. Meanwhile, auditors, rating agencies, and financial actors are moving to artificial intelligence (AI) to assess companies' non-financial credentials and compare their sustainability performances. In the same direction goes the EU's push for the entry in force of the **European Single Access Point (ESAP)**, which would represent a unique, public, and free data hub for financial and sustainability-related information about EU companies and EU investment products.

#### ABOUT THE SESSION:

The need for more accountable and comparable sustainability information calls for higher investments and a shared approach toward the use of data. The challenges connected to this theme are however multiple, from the **scarce maturity of companies' internal systems**, shown by the **lack of clear data strategies and governance**, to the limited debate around the role of responsible technology in supporting a green and just transition.

The roundtable aims to **shed a light on the role of technological means and AI in promoting transparency and shifting companies' business models to achieve meaningful impact**. We will hear from policy-makers and experts about their views and future developments, while companies and data providers will share their major challenges and initiatives on sustainability reporting. [Register](#)

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- EU Policy Makers.
- Asset Managers & Investors.
- Data providers & AI experts.
- Sustainability Managers & Corporate representatives.

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TIME (CET)	AGENDA ITEM	GUEST SPEAKERS & PANELISTS
09:30-09:40	Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lorena Sorrentino, <i>Manager, CSR Europe</i></li> </ul>
09:40-09:50	Keynote: context-setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Muhammad Bilal Farooq, <i>Associate Professor, United Arab Emirates University</i></li> <li>Kashif Nadeem, <i>Researcher, University of Chieti</i></li> </ul>
09:50-10:40	<p>Panel</p> <p><i>Moderated by:</i>            Nikolina Markota Vukic,  <i>Project Taskforce Member,</i>  <b>EFRAG; Founder &amp; President, The Croatian Institute for CSR</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subramanian Kuppaswami,  <i>Global Head Sustainable Banking, Finance &amp; Investments, Tata Consultancy Services</i></li> <li>Rim Tehraoui,  <i>Chief Data Officer, BNP Paribas</i></li> <li>Piero Luigi Fratini,  <i>ESG Finance &amp; Reporting Manager, Bridgestone</i></li> <li>Gilly Lord,  <i>Global Leader Public Policy and Regulation, PwC</i></li> </ul>
10:40-10:50	Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>European Parliament (tbc)</li> </ul>
10:50-11:00	Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lorena Sorrentino, <i>Manager, CSR Europe</i></li> <li>Ilaria Orsi, <i>Project Manager, CSR Europe</i></li> </ul>

#### 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 **European Sustainable Industry Barometer** 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.