

EUROPEAN SDG ROUNDTABLE

Sustainability in a New World: what Changed after the War in Ukraine

Tuesday, 11 October 2022 | 16:00 -17:30 CET

Co-organised with: Business for Society CZ, CSR Ukraine, RBF Poland

CONTEXT:

The war in Ukraine has dramatically changed the world. For Ukraine the consequences are heartbreaking: 6 million Ukrainians have left their country, damages to physical assets are estimated to be \$98.7bn, lost assets for Ukrainian businesses have been estimated to \$9.6bn and 2 bln USD is necessary for restoration of schools. At a global level, the war has led to a spike in inflation, energy prices, and disruptions to food supply.

The war comes on top of a siege of unprecedented global events that threaten to turn back progress on the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and undermine the well-being of people and countries around the world, in the first place for the people in Ukraine and their families.

For those working in sustainability like many others, the alarming state of global affairs has brought deep reckoning and reflection. How much good are we really doing? What if all our good work is just waiting to be undone? How do we work with governments and civil society to contribute to a more resilient form of inclusive, sustainable development? How can we help Ukraine Building Back Better on sustainability principles?

ABOUT THE SESSION:

This session will focus on the impact of the war on sustainability and on what companies, European institutions, national governments, and consumers can do. <u>Register</u>

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Representatives of EC and National Governments
- Businesses
- Non-governmental organizations
- Consumers' organizations and consumers
- Academic and research institutions.

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|-------------|--|--|
| 16:00-16:05 | Welcome | Maryna Saprykina (moderator) CEO, CSR Ukraine |
| 16:05-16:15 | Impact of the war on sustainability EU and Ukraine | Klara Šimáčková, Government Commissioner for Human Rights, Czech Republic Ministry of Economy Ukraine (TBC) |
| 16:15-16:30 | Q&A | |
| 16:30-17:00 | Impact of the war on the sustainability of Europe: "E" and "S" in ESG. Role of responsible business. | Ivan Tučnik, Sustainability and Integrated Projects Lead, Plzeňský Prazdroj Šárka Vránová, Human Resource Director, Accenture CZ & Central Europe Arkadiusz Mierzwa, Corporate Communications and CSR Director, Biedronka Jerónimo Martins |
| 17:00-17:15 | Q&A | |
| 17:15-17:18 | Video about Brave Ukrainian Businesses and their Sustainability | |
| 17:18-17:28 | How can corporate sector support the rebuilding of Ukraine? | Olena Kondratiuk, <i>Head of CSR projects,</i> Ferrexpo Poltava Mining Irina Kostiuk, <i>Leading CSR & Regulatory Affairs</i> Carlsberg Ukraine |
| 17:28-17:30 | Conclusions | - |

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The European SDG Summit TOGETHER FOR AN INCLUSIVE GREEN DEAL | 10-12 OCTOBER 2022

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 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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