

CONTEXT

On December 13th, a provisional agreement was reached between the European Parliament and the European Council for the **Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CS3D)**. Aligned with global guidelines such as the **UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights** and the **OECD Due Diligence Guidance**, companies now face significant accountability in addressing actual and potential adverse impacts on human rights and the environment.

This directive establishes a comprehensive framework of obligations for companies to foster sustainable and responsible corporate behaviour and reflect on an evolving global & European landscape, compelling businesses to *proactively mitigate adverse human rights and environmental risks globally, extending scrutiny to their value chains* within and outside Europe.

The critical aspect of this upcoming legislation is for business to prepare for its implementation by thoroughly understanding its scope and requirements, ensuring compliance, and turning efforts into meaningful catalysts for impactful change. Recognizing these compliance measures as opportunities for growth and improvement is essential. By participating in CSR Europe in the Materials Atelier Series, "**Due Diligence in Action**", businesses can gain the knowledge and tools necessary to successfully embrace sustainable business practices, including valuable insights into executing due diligence in operations and supply chains.

ABOUT THE EVENT

In this first online session, CSR Europe will engage businesses, expert organizations, and policymakers to unveil the conclusive text of the CS3D, offering insights into its details and exploring companies' preparedness for its implementation in company policies.

Key learning points:

- Gain comprehensive insights into the CS3D through an in-depth exploration of its conclusive text, covering scope, requirements, and impact.
- Examine the influential role of multi-stakeholder initiatives in shaping the obligations outlined in the directive.
- Benefit from a comparative analysis between the CS3D and international legislation as well as companies' examples on how to approach this evolving framework.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- CSR/Sustainability Managers
- Reporting Officers
- Procurement & Supply Chain Analysts/Specialists
- Risk & Audit Officers
- Ethics & Compliance Specialists

ATELIER AGENDA

| TIME (CEST) | SESSION | SPEAKER(s) |
|---------------------|--|---|
| 10:30 - 10:40 | Welcome & Introduction <i>Purpose of Materials Atelier Series</i> | CSR Europe |
| 10:40 - 10:55 | Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive Explained: How do we move from legislation to practical action? Q&A | Zsofia Kerecsen, <i>Team Leader Corporate Governance</i> DG JUST, European Commission |
| 10:55 - 11:10 | Comparative Analysis of Global & European legislations on Due Diligence Q&A | Debadatta Bose, <i>Postdoctoral Researcher Business & Human Rights, University of Tilburg</i> |
| 11:10 - 11:40 | A dialogue with companies and organisations: How is your organization implementing Due Diligence? Q&A | INSPECTORIO (TBC) * EUROPEAN BRANDS ASSOCIATION (TBC)* VOLVO CARS (TBC)* |
| 11:40 - 11:55 | Open Discussion with audience with Guiding Questions | <i>With reactions from the financial sector - Société General (TBC)*</i> |
| 11:55 - 12:00 | Closing remarks & Next steps | CSR Europe |

*Kindly be aware that speakers marked as (TBC) are still in the process of confirmation, as we are currently in discussions with them.

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