

SUSTAINABILITY SUITE

The Complete Picture in ESG Disclosure and Performance

Providing clients with tools to integrate an ESG policy to support shareholder engagement using global research, analysis, screens and ratings.

Measuring and assessing the impact of risks related to climate change in portfolio companies is increasingly important to investors, as well as to many firms themselves.

When investors were asked by Institutional Shareholder Services 'What actions investors consider appropriate to take, where a company is seen not to be effectively addressing climate change risk', 75% of investors surveyed responded they would consider voting against Directors deemed responsible. This illustrates the process of climate issues being pulled into the board room - ISS Policy Survey Results 2020.



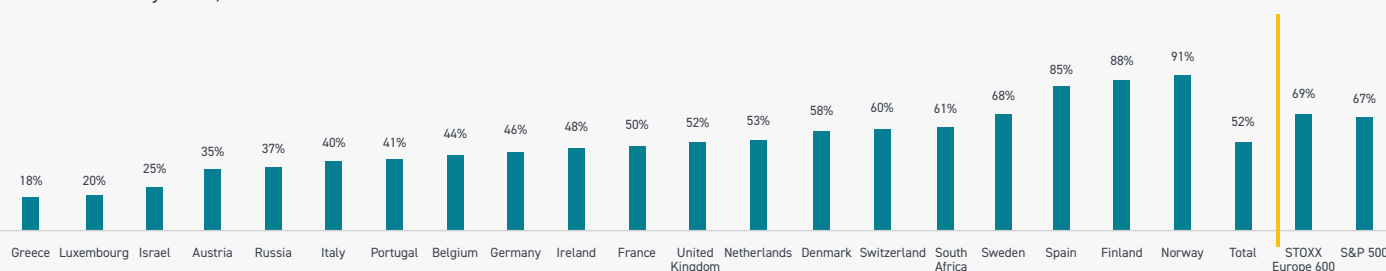
On average 48%

of companies in EMEA are not disclosing anything relating to board oversight of climate risk.

It is a concern for issuers and investors to be misaligned in this way.

Percentage of companies providing disclosure on board oversight of climate risks and opportunities

- ISS E&S QualityScore, October 2020



ISS HISTORY IN THE ESG SPACE

Environmental & Social QualityScore is built on years of expertise

ISS acquired and integrated several companies in the E&S space throughout the late **1990's** and **2000's**.

2002 ISS launches first Corporate Governance Ratings product (CGQ)

2015 Ethix acquisition provided 15+ years of industry-leading expertise on SRI issues.

2017 IW Financial acquisition added 15+ years expertise in ESG ratings and custom solutions.






2h 2017 Acquisition of the Investment Climate Data division of South Pole Group.

2018 Acquisition of oekom, a leader in ESG ratings and data

Building ESG teams through strategic acquisition and internal expertise.




ISS E&S QUALITYSCORE

ISS Environmental & Social QualityScore brings together the complete picture to evaluate your company's transparency and disclosure practices.

-  **DATA VERIFICATION**
Data verification is online and accessible year-round so companies can input new information immediately.
-  **GOAL SEEK**
Set a decile goal to identify what disclosure changes will help get your company there.
-  **SCENARIO ANALYSIS**
Model how changes to your E&S disclosures would affect your relative peer performance, and how those changes would affect your E&S QualityScore
-  **SCREENING**
Identify companies that embrace E&S practices, allowing searches by industry, region, practice, norms controversies, and other characteristics
-  **PROFILES**
Generate summary snapshot reports to share with directors, executives, and team members.

ISS ESG CORPORATE RATING

The full ISS ESG Corporate Rating database is accessible via the ICS platform. Companies can leverage access to full company reports that investors use to inform their decisions, benefit from benchmarking against sector peers and to target improved ESG risk ratings.

-  **COMPANIES**
Issuers have detailed access to information on individual companies at the indicator level. In addition, a benchmark function provides you with a clear comparison of multiple companies' ESG performance with access to analysts' detailed reports.
-  **DOWNLOAD CENTER**
Long or short versions of rating reports, plus sustainability bond ratings, sector reports and position papers on selected sustainability aspects.
-  **CONTROVERSY MONITOR**
Information about, and analyses of, controversies surrounding individual companies – whether in terms of controversial business areas or controversial business practices.



\$30.7 TRILLION

In assets are professionally managed under responsible investment strategies globally.

(2018 Global Sustainable Investment Reviews)



\$14 TRILLION


Devoted to responsible investment strategies in Europe, the biggest region for sustainable investors.

(Bloomberg, 2019)

TCFD GAP ANALYSIS REPORT

Institutional investors are actively monitoring companies for their reporting alignment with TCFD (Task Force on Climate Related Financial Disclosures) recommendations, thereby informing the investment decision-making process. In order to meet investor and stakeholder expectations, your company ESG disclosures need to easily and clearly map to the TCFD framework.

ICS' TCFD Gap Analysis Report helps companies map their disclosures in line with TCFD's recommendations on its four core elements:

CLIMATE DISCLOSURE PILLARS	DISCLOSURE ALIGNMENT
1. Governance	Exemplifies Standards 
2. Strategy	Meets Standards 
3. Risk Management	Partial Alignment 
4. Metrics & Targets	Standard Unmet 

NORM-BASED RESEARCH REPORT

Norm-Based Research assesses a company's adherence to international standards for environmental protection, human rights, labor standards, and anti-corruption based on global norms as set out in the relevant international initiatives and guidelines, such as the UN Global Compact Principles. The report signals how a company is managing specific environmental and social allegations it faces. Access to reports helps investors make decisions regarding the most critical environmental and social risks for a given company, as well as the company's responsiveness to the issues.

ACCESS FOR EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR TEAM

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CHIEF RESPONSIBILITY OFFICER

Identify best-in-class disclosures and benchmark your organization against peers in your industry



INVESTOR RELATIONS OFFICER /CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Effectively communicate your ESG program to investors and bridge the gap between your sustainability program and your investor relations program



GENERAL COUNSEL / CORPORATE SECRETARY

Easily coordinate your ESG strategy and prepare for potential shareholder proposals








60%+
of companies have verified data

QualityScore is seen by
1,600+
investors who view and use
ISS' Proxy Research Reports

Informed by
SASB, GRI, TCFD

RESOURCES BEYOND RATINGS AND REPORTS

Not just a numbers game. Our tools help you understand how investors perceive your sustainability program, prioritize disclosure changes based on what matters to them, and stay ahead of emerging shifts in sustainability norms.

	ADVISORY SERVICES	Access to a dedicated advisor is provided as part of an annual subscription, helping you to reduce your spend with project-based consultants
	EMAIL ALERTS	Receive custom email alerts for E&S QualityScore and Norm-Based Research (controversy) scores and data changes on your company, industry, or peers.
	SEARCHABLE LIBRARY OF INVESTOR ESG POLICIES	Search the 50 largest investors' ESG policies to better understand how they use E&S disclosures
	E&S PROPOSAL BRIEFS	Review short briefs that cover the most popular shareholder proposals from 2017 in the E&S space
	SEARCHABLE LIBRARY OF SUSTAINABILITY AND CORPORATE E&S REPORTS	Search publicly available CSR and Sustainability Reports from multiple industries, market caps and regions
	WHITE PAPERS ON EMERGING TOPICS	Review ISS ESG Research reports related to topics, such as Climate Change Proposals in the Energy Sector
	WEBINARS AND EVENTS	Attend events designed to keep clients up to date on E&S topics and proxy advisor policy changes



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