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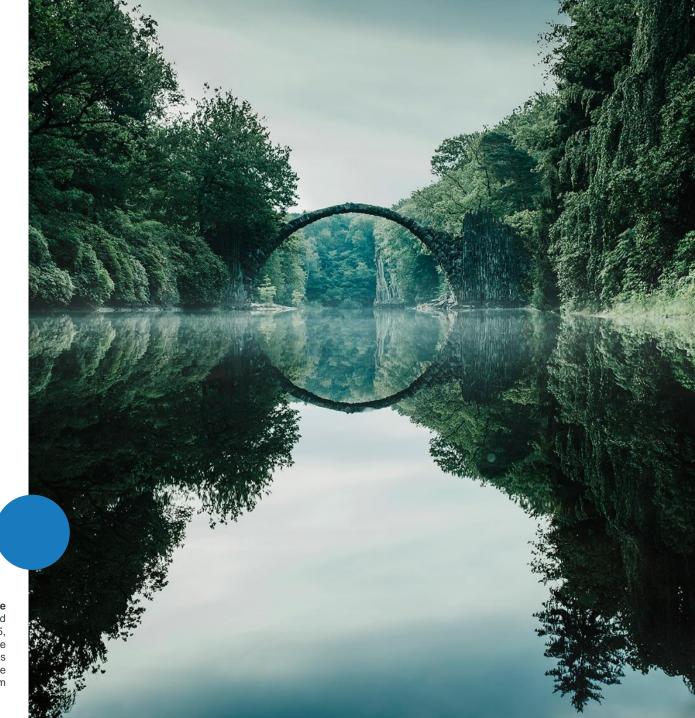
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ESG at Candriam: A Successful +25-year Track Record





Strong market recognition

- PRI 2020 Leaders Group
- Quantalys Inside 2022: Best ESG Company
- H&K Responsible Brand Index 2021: Top 2
- Broadridge FB 50, 2021: Top 2 best SRI brand
- Fund Buyer Focus, 2021: Top 2 best European SRI Fund brand

Impactful active ownership

- **Dedicated Engagement & Voting Team**
- Proxy Voting Policy since 2003
- Ongoing dialogue with issuers

Proven sustainable investment approaches

- > Tried and tested corporate & sovereign ESG frameworks
- Negative and positive screening
- **ESG** integration
- > Absolute and relative rating and selection approaches



Extensive in-house resources

- **Experienced, dedicated ESG Analysts**
- Proprietary ESG database
- > In-house sector and country specific models



Strong ESG Capabilities Across all asset Classes

All major strategies integrate ESG into investment analysis and portfolio construction.

Equities

North America Euro / Europe World **Emerging Markets** ETFs / Smart Beta



Fixed Income





Thematics

Oncology Climate change Circular economy Innovation Low carbon







€114 BN

ESG assets under management

out of

€149 BN

in total assets under management



26 ESG experts supporting our portfolio managers

> Source: AUM Candriam as of June 30th 2024 Indicative data which may change over time

All strategies may incur risks of capital loss and are subject to ESG risk

Independent and Dedicated in-House ESG Team



Wim Van Hyfte, PhD Global Head of ESG Investments & Research 26 years of experience



Vincent Compiègne
Deputy Global Head of ESG Investments & Research
16 years of experience

ESG CORPORATE RESEARCH

ESG SOVEREIGN RESEARCH

PROXY VOTING & ENGAGEMENT

ESG DEVELOPMENT

ESG Quant Analytics & Research



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Stewardship Analyst

Engagement & Voting

7 years of experience

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Benjamin Manent-Manent ESG CPM 4 years of experience

Jérémy Vinzent

2 years of experience

ESG CPM



Open vacancy ESG Quantitative Analyst



Astrid Pierard ESG Analyst Utilities, Chemicals 4 years of experience



Open vacancy ESG Analyst



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Emma Miguel Unzue ESG Analyst Telecom, Textile and Retail 1 year of experience

Open vacancy

ESG Analyst



Jules Bardy ESG Analyst Proxy voting 8 years of experience



Rodolphe Hermann ESG Analyst Engagement 5 years of experience



Open vacancy ESG Analyst



Camille Chollet
ESG Analyst
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4 years of experience



Elouan Heurard
ESG Analyst
Biodiversity
3 years of experience





Candriam's Sustainability Governance





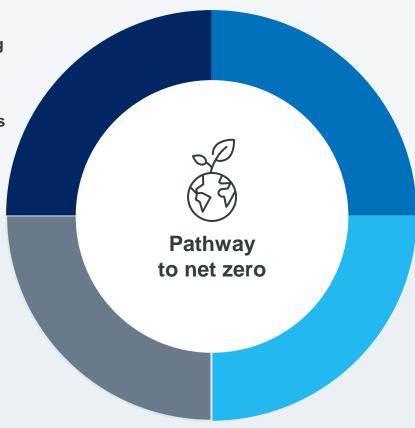
Candriam and the Net Zero Objective

Avoid exposure to climate risks

- Comprehensive exclusion policy targeting industries impacted by the shift towards a greener economy (such as thermal coal, oil and gas)
- Integration of transition and physical risks into ESG analysis

Target net zero in our operations

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from our corporate activities
- Offsetting of the remaining emissions through compensation projects



Target net zero in our investments

- > Carbon footprint reduction across portfolios
- Shifting of investments into climate change adaptation and mitigation solutions
- Close to 2°C portfolio temperature in an increasing number of investment products

Dialogue and action on climate change

- Cooperation with investee companies and investor community to address climate risks and make climate change a top priority
- Engagement and proxy voting
- Feedback loop: Engagement insights and outcomes channelled into company analysis and valuation



Candriam's Portfolio Reduction Targets on Net Zero

Decarbonizing our portfolios in line with a Paris-aligned trajectory

Targets	Today	2030	2050 (or sooner)
Net Zero Scope	17% Candriam AUM (60% of Candriam-branded Art. 8 & 9 funds)	>50% Candriam AUM	100% Candriam AUM
Decarbonization targets	-	50% decrease of carbon intensity from 2019 baseline	Net Zero

We have selected 3 methods to demonstrate the alignment of our investments with the Net Zero target:

- > **Emission intensity reduction**: reducing the portfolio's weighted average carbon intensity (WACI) by 50% between 2019 and 2030.
- > **Temperature alignment**: decreasing portfolio temperature to below 2°C by 2030.
- > **EU climate benchmark**: decreasing the portfolio weighted average carbon intensity (WACI) to below the level of the fund's relevant Paris-aligned benchmark (PAB).

The initial WACI of our net zero perimeter was **109t CO2/m\$ of revenues.**

Our objective is to reach **54.5 t CO2/m\$** revenues by 2030.



Candriam's Portfolio Reduction Progress on Net Zero

Embedding Net Zero at the Core of Our Sustainable Investment Strategy

Engagement

Achievement 2023: Engagement with 52 issuers accounting for 52. 3% of our financed emissions

Emission Reduction Target

Achievement 2023: -26% reduction of the carbon intensity of our portfolios

Committed to net zero by 2050

Aligning our investments with net zero

Achievement 2023: 66 issuers, accounting for 54% of financed emissions, have been assessed with our Net Zero Assessment framework

Financing the ecological transition

Achievement 2023: integration of EU taxonomy figures in our systems

Portfolios (as of Dec 23)	% total AUM	WACI Reduction AUM rebased	WACI Reduction - AUM not rebased
Net Zero Perimeter	18.05%	-22.8%	-12.5%
Article 9 (all)	16.22%	-17.0%	-11.4%
Article 8 (all)	57.60%	-29.5%	-36.9%
Article 8&9	73.82%	-26.5%	-33.7%



Define Sustainable Investment Opportunities







Research

In-depth assessment of issuers' exposure to material ESG risks and opportunities, and evaluation of their sustainability impacts.



Engagement

Use our voice as an active investor to encourage transparency, foster sustainable practices and support investment decisions.



Impact

Measure and report on the contribution of investments to a more sustainable future. Promote and support sustainable development.





At the Core of our Framework: Our ESG Analysts' Added Value

ESG Analysts' Expertise on Corporate and Sovereign Issuers

- integrated at all stages of development and implementation of Candriam's ESG framework.
- ensures the framework produces truly **meaningful and forward-looking** sustainability assessments

Model development

In-depth expertise on

- Sectors
- business activities
- key sustainability challenges
- Incorporate materiality assessments in our internal models

External data assessment

- Review data and information from data providers,
- Check quality and consistency
- Compare indicator relevance
- Fill gaps
- · Overrule erroneous information

Fundamental analysis

In-depth fundamental and qualitative ESG analysis

- · Engage when required
- Go above and beyond data providers

In-depth structural research

Unique **research and insights** on key sustainability topics and trends

Context to investment implementation

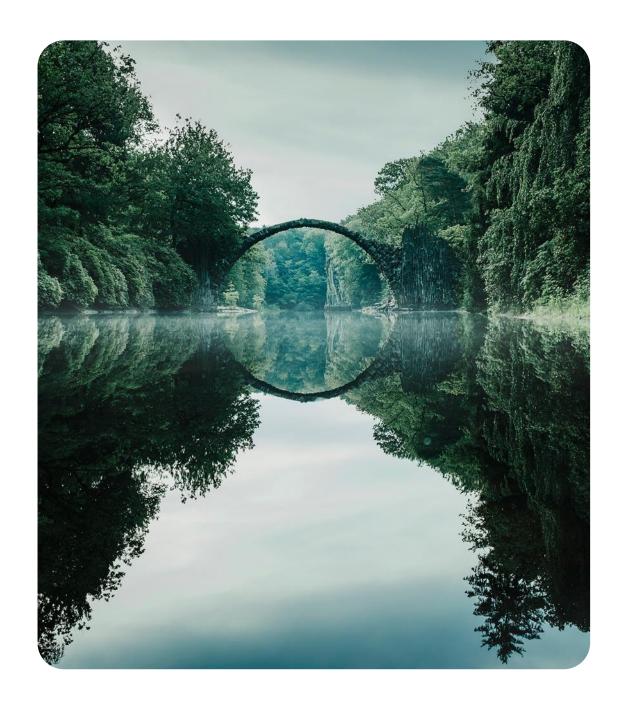
COVERAGE

~ 8000 corporate issuers including subsidiaries

~ 120 countries
500 issuers including local
governments



Corporate research



The 4 Pillars of Candriam's ESG Corporate Analysis





Candriam's ESG Corporate Analysis aims at both identifying and reducing sustainability risks and at uncovering and capturing opportunities related to sustainability.



Norms-based and Controversial Activity Analysis

ESG

Corporate

Analysis

Negative screening of issuers that are not compatible with sustainability and responsibility

Norms-based

Analysis

Exclusion of the most controversial companies violating the **10 principles** of the **UN Global Compact**

Human rights >> Environment

Labour rights Anti-Corruption

Issuers excluded for repeated and significant violations, lack of appropriate response or change in behaviour

Results
Orange
Significant and/or repeated violations with adequate response
Significant & repeated violations without

Controversial Activities
Analysis

Issuers must respect exclusion

thresholds on controversial activities*.

We apply different exclusion levels

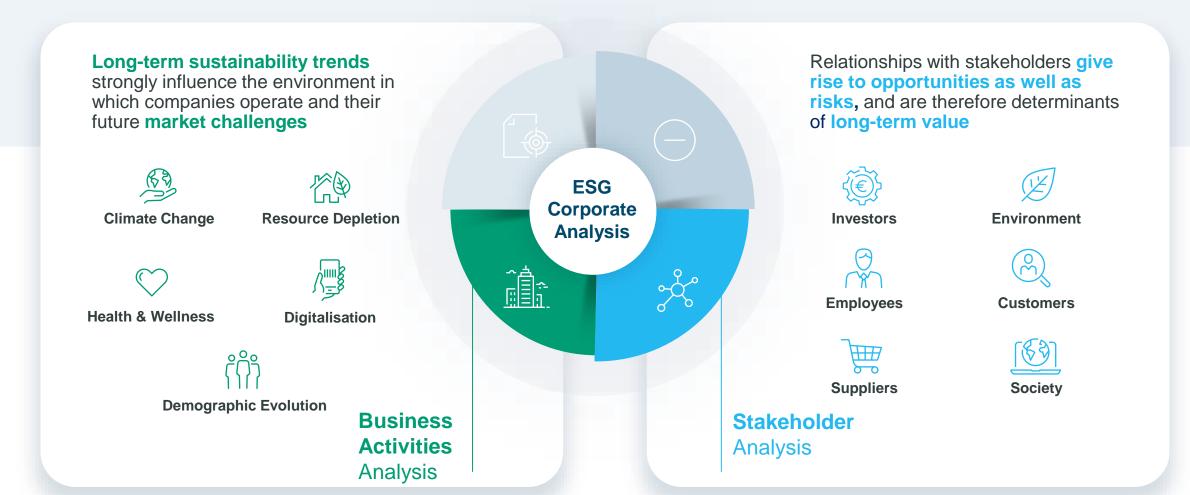
- Company-wide exclusions
 - Controversial armament, thermal coal ...
- Responsible exclusions
 - > Conventional armament, gambling, alcohol, ...
- Sustainable exclusions
 - Unconventional & conventional Oil & Gas, nuclear power (30%) ...



adequate response or change in behaviour

Business Activities and Stakeholder Analysis

Positive screening of corporates' sustainability-related risks and opportunities



Candriam Business Activities Analysis

Mapping activities to the most relevant Key Sustainability Challenges (KSCs)



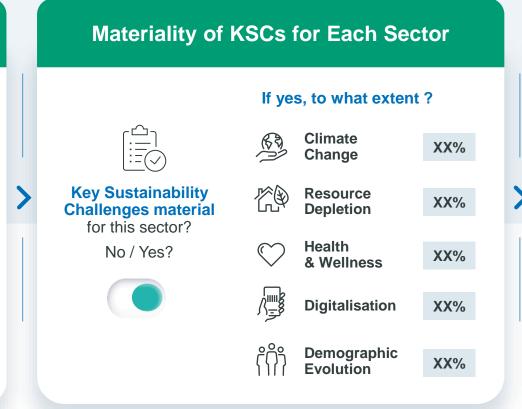
Business Activities Analysis

Candriam ESG Analysts analyse

30 sectors

...and conduct granular assessment of these sectors' underlying

1183 business activities



Results Each company receives a **Business Activities Score** +100 For each sector, ESG Analysts determine **Business Activities Score Materiality**

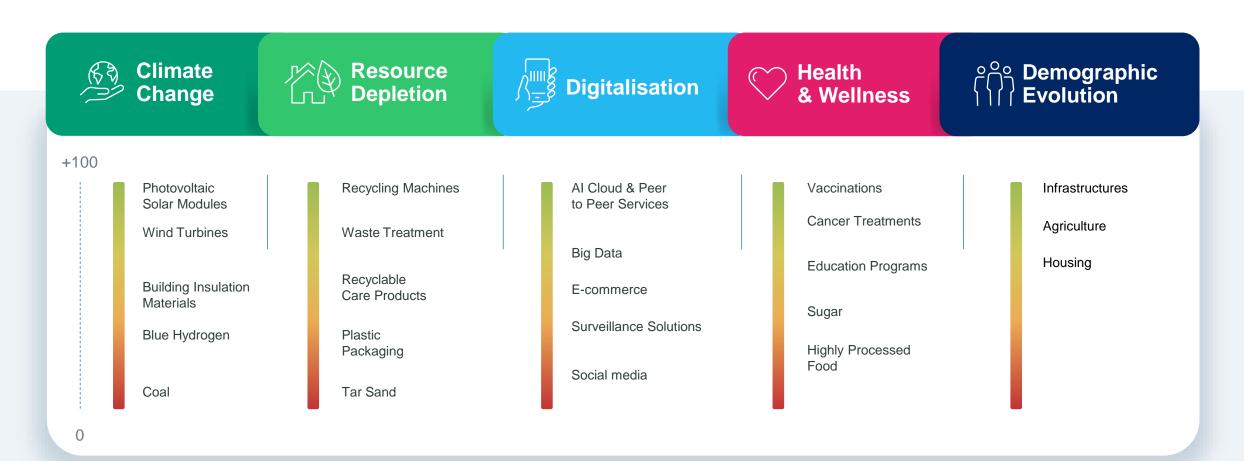
Our experience with granular business activities analysis reflects the **general philosophy** of the European Taxonomy on sustainable activities.



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Business Activities Analysis







Candriam Stakeholder Analysis

Looking at every dimension of how companies manage key stakeholders



Stakeholder Analysis

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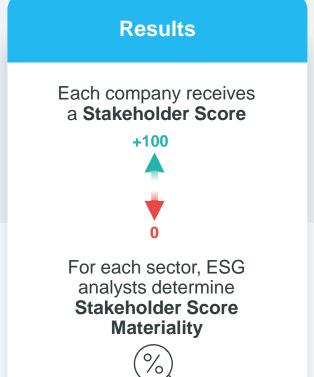
...and conduct granular assessments of these stakeholders' underlying

themes

via

118 performance indicators





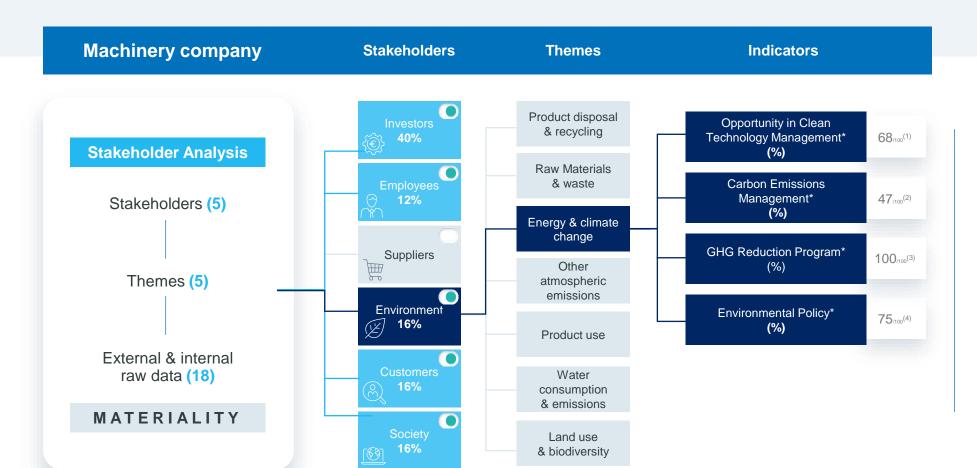
An in-depth understanding of a company's ability to sustainably manage its stakeholders is key for a **holistic assessment of its return / risk potential**.



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Candriam Stakeholder Analysis





* Rationale

- Leads peers in tapping opportunities in clean technology applications.
- Commits to reducing scope 3 GHG emissions from the use of sold rolling stock products by 35% per passenger-km (from a 2019 base year).
- The company has set the objective to reach 100% electricity from renewable sources by 2025.
- 4. Evidence that the company uses 24.4% of its primary energy from renewable energy sources.

Each stakeholder / theme / indicator is analysed and weighed based on its materiality to the sector.



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Combining weighted Business Activities and Stakeholder Scores into ESG Ratings



Business Activities Score & Materiality

KEY SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES









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ho Demographic Evolution

Company's Business Activities Score Sector's Business Activities KSC Materiality









Stakeholder Score & Materiality

STAKEHOLDERS







Customers

Suppliers

Society

Company's Stakeholder Score Sector's Stakeholder Materiality







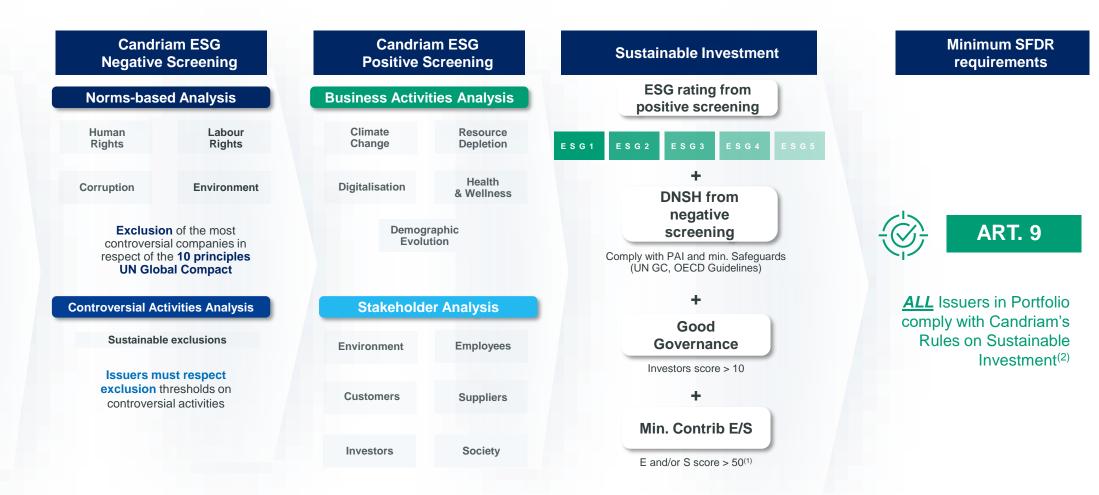


As a result of the combination of the materialityweighted Business Activities and Stakeholder Scores, each company receives an **ESG Rating**, from **ESG 1 (Best) to ESG 10 (Worst)**





SFDR - Definition of Sustainable Investment

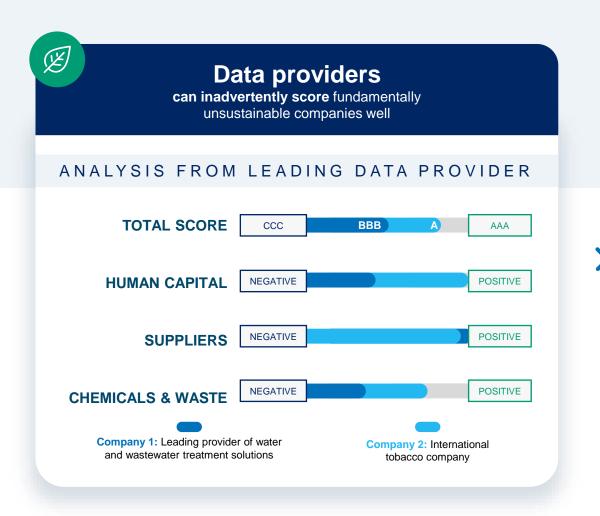


⁽¹⁾ Environmental and/or social sub pillars contribution may change depending on the sector



⁽²⁾ Exclusion of cash and derivates that were considered as sustainable investments at the moment of the investment and are not fully aligned anymore with the Candriam sustainable investment criteria

Our dual ESG Analysis Provides a Holistic ESG Assessment





Through our dual ESG analysis

we achieve a holistic assessment
The sustainability of a company's products or services
is vital to its long term success.

Company 1

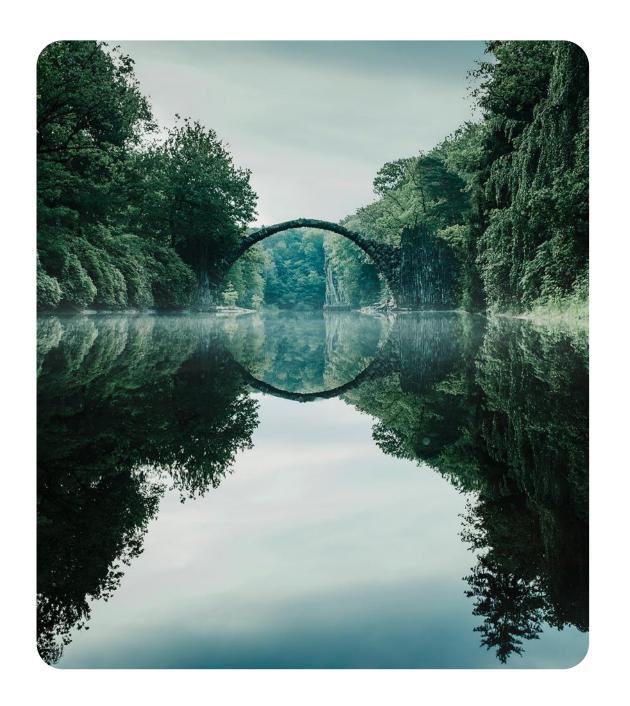
Company 2

- Ranks as one of the best positioned company in our model
- Excluded from our investment universe
- Business model aligned
 with sustainable objectives:
 water & wastewater
 treatment solutions
- Healthy living: inherent
 health impacts of tobacco
 create risks & are incompatible
 with sustainable practices
- Provides solutions to key industries i.e., Healthcare, power, food and beverages etc.
- Deceptive marketing practices



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Sovereign Research



Sovereign Framework Philosophy

Our approach adopts the concept of **Environmental Efficiency as a Tenet of Sustainable Development**



Putting the Environment in focus

- > Climate crisis: tipping point with insufficient response from the industry
- Natural Capital: finite, damage is often irreversible and considered a cost. Can not be freely substituted by other forms of capital.
- > Environmental preservation and climate change: cornerstone of our Sovereign Sustainability assessment



Materiality-based framework for all countries

- > Analysing countries for ESG issuers is complex
- > Relevance of each issue differs from country to country
- Materiality is used for weighting issues and factors



Sovereign Sustainability Analysis

Human Capital

Stock of human productivity potential of individual people based on their knowledge, skills, labor & health

Natural Capital

Stock of natural resources in the form of renewable & nonrenewable resources and in the form of environmental services/processes

Highly Oppressive Regimes

Discretionary Exclusions

Social Capital

Refers to social interactions: Stocks of trust, norms and institutions that people can rely on to solve common problems & create social cohesion

Economic Capital

Sustainability of the economic fundamentals "To what extent is the current level of economic activity viable?"

Minimum Standards of Democracy

Country List established by Financial Action Task Force

We calculate an ESG score for each country

We exclude 25% of the worst ranked countries





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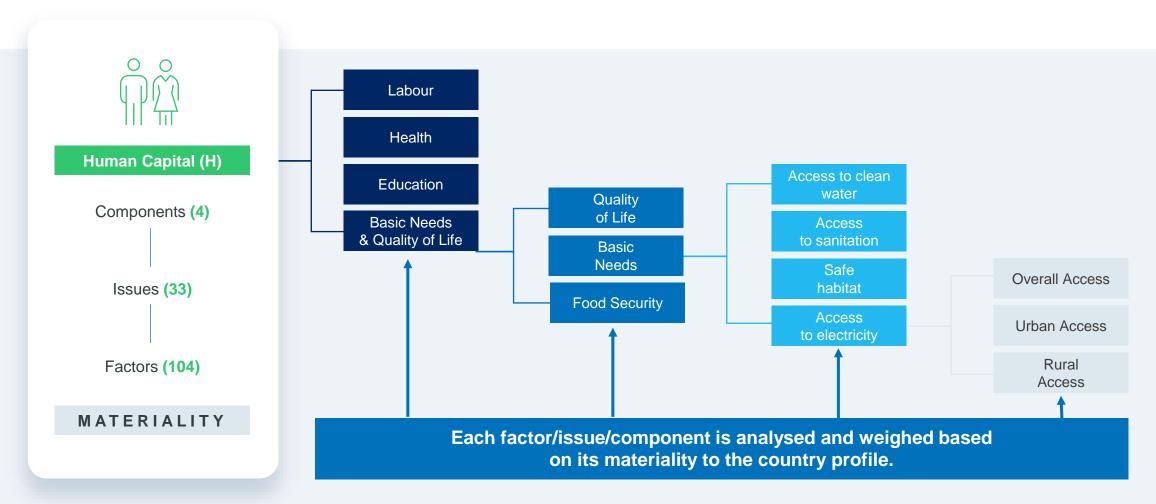
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A materiality-based framework



- > For each issue, we designate specific key performance indicator (KPIs)
- > Materiality assessment is performed on every level in the model & more relevant issues for a given country are given more weight.



Materiality: Linking the Short Term and the Long Term

We adapt the materiality of the data to the developmental stage of each individual country

WEIGHT IN THE CAPITAL SCORE



Under this approach, our country evaluations put the most weight on those Factors which will influence the future development of the country and less weight on Factors which have little effect.

HUMAN CAPITAL
 Labour: Participation & Employment

Economic Capital
 Energy Transition: Renewable energy capacity & generation

SUDAN

SWITZERLAND

5.7%

1.9%

1.6%

2.5%



Country Ranking and Exclusion

A two-level exclusion

The bottom 25% of countries are excluded from our eligible investment universe



MODEL EXCLUSION

Countries are also subjected to our normative filter, with a hard exclusion for countries that do not pass our three-pronged Democracy and Freedom filter:

- Classified as **Not Free** by Freedom House
- On Candriam's Oppressive Regimes List
- Classified as Call to Action by FATF

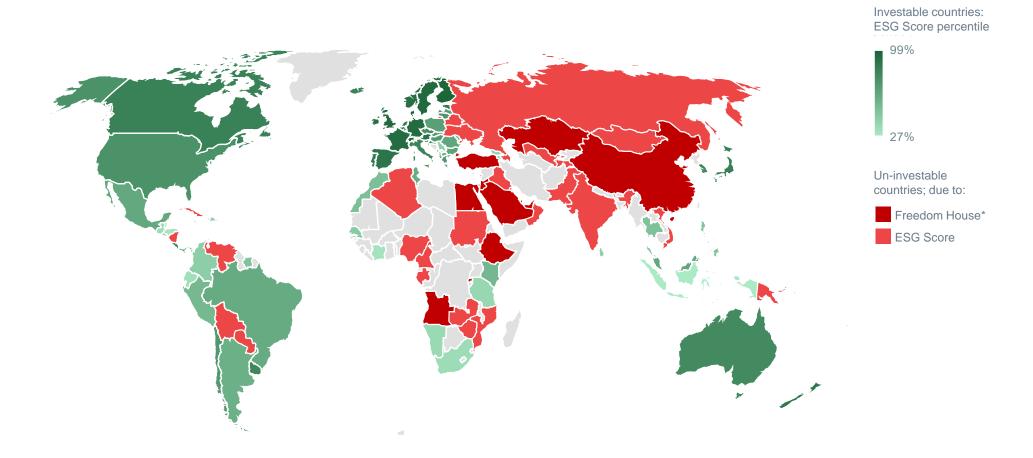
Discretionary decisions will take into account participation in international conventions (SDG 17)

e.g: Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (aiming at abolishing the death penalty)

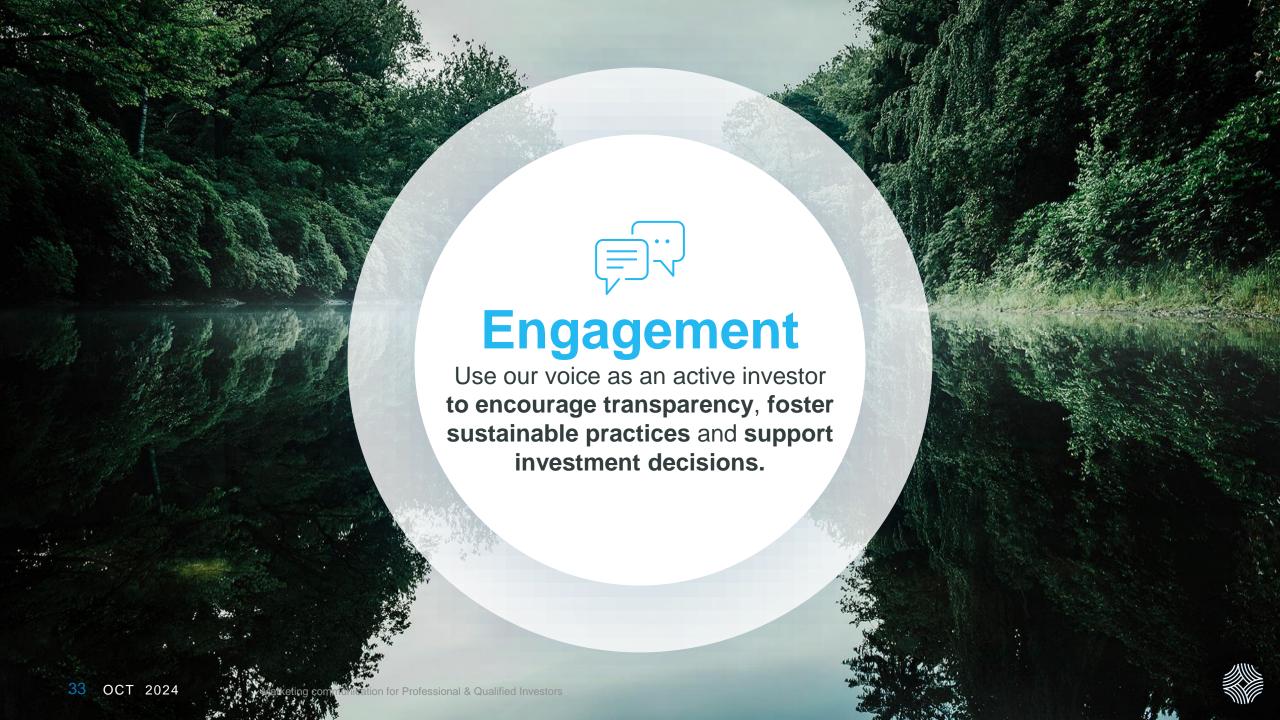


Sustainable sovereign universe

Included and excluded countries







Exercising our voting rights as active shareholders

Exercising our voting rights is an essential pillar of our active ownership strategy.

We use our voting rights to act in our clients' best interests, promote good corporate governance practices & help drive change within a company



4 CORNERSTONES

Shareholder Rights

Equal Treatment of Shareholders

Transparency and Integrity of Financial Statements

Board Accountability & Independence



Key voting topics

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



- > Separation of Chairman & CEO
- > Minimum independency level
- > Diversity, efficiency
- Sufficient oversight of ESG risks

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REMUNERATION

- → Disclosure
- Pay for sustainable& long-term performance

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AUDIT & REPORTING

- > Independence
- Accuracy of audit process
- Adequate corporate reporting, including climate risks

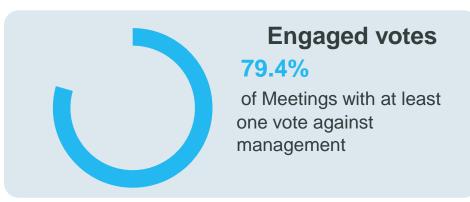


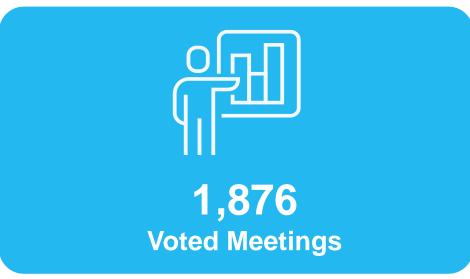
SHARE CAPITAL

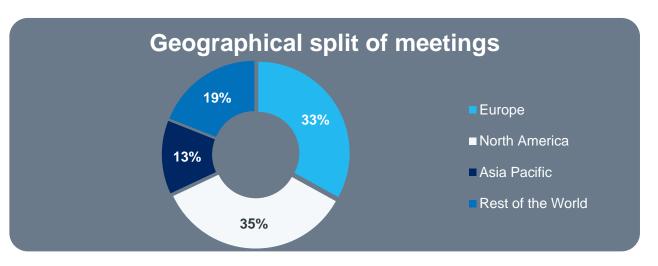
- > Equality of shareholders
- > Dilution limits

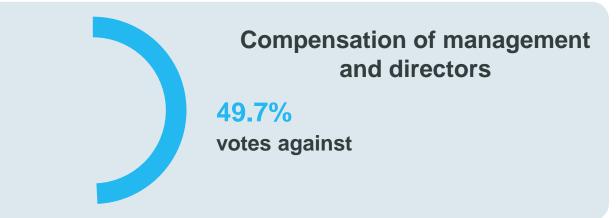


A review of our 2023 Voting activities











Dialogue between Candriam & issuers, constructively addressing material ESG issues

Key goals

& outcomes

Priority topics

Since 2014

Engagement channels

Encouraging improved corporate
ESG disclosure

Supporting investment decision making

Influence corporate practices on ESG issues



















Direct dialogue

Led by dedicated engagement team in conjunction with investment teams

Collaborative dialogue

when appropriate – through various initiatives in collaboration with other investors



A review of our 2023 dialogues

Direct Dialogue









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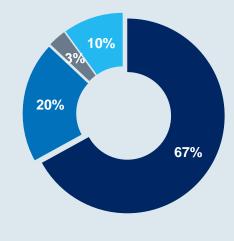
Corporates contacted individually

Impact on our decision (direct dialogue)

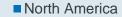


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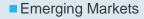
Region (direct dialogue)

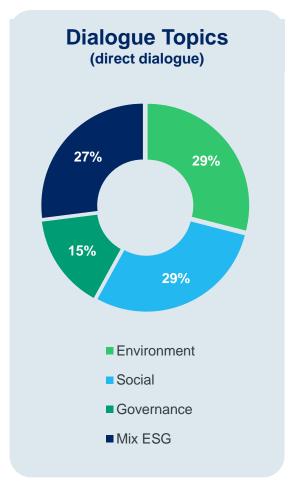














Example of a direct & collaborative approach – Teleperformance





Teleperformance is a global leader in digitally integrated business services, including call centers or web platforms, with over 418,000 employees in 80 countries.

WHY ARE WE ENGAGING?

- > Teleperformance has a history of social and governance issues
- 2021:
 - "French Duty of Vigilance law" report, requiring employers to monitor the respect for human rights and environmental risks of suppliers, was insufficiently prepared
 - Media and unions escalated the issue threatening the reputation of the company
- November 2022: Forbes and TIME magazine outline alarming working conditions faced by employees in Colombia (TikTok content moderators). Allegations include widespread occupational trauma, inadequate psychological support, demanding or impossible performance targets, punitive salary deductions, extensive surveillance.

WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

Since 2019: Engagement on a direct individual and collaborative basis, focused on social and governance issues. We have shared our concerns and examples of good practices we would like to see the company adopt.

2021:

- Monitoring the unfolding of the controversy very carefully, including calls with Teleperformance's representatives and continuous contacts with unions
- Our 2021 exchanges have notably focused on the Human Rights Due Diligence & Risk Mapping, the effectiveness of whistleblowing system, social dialogue and transparency of disclosure on social matters.
- > 2022: Questions to the board April 2022 AGM.

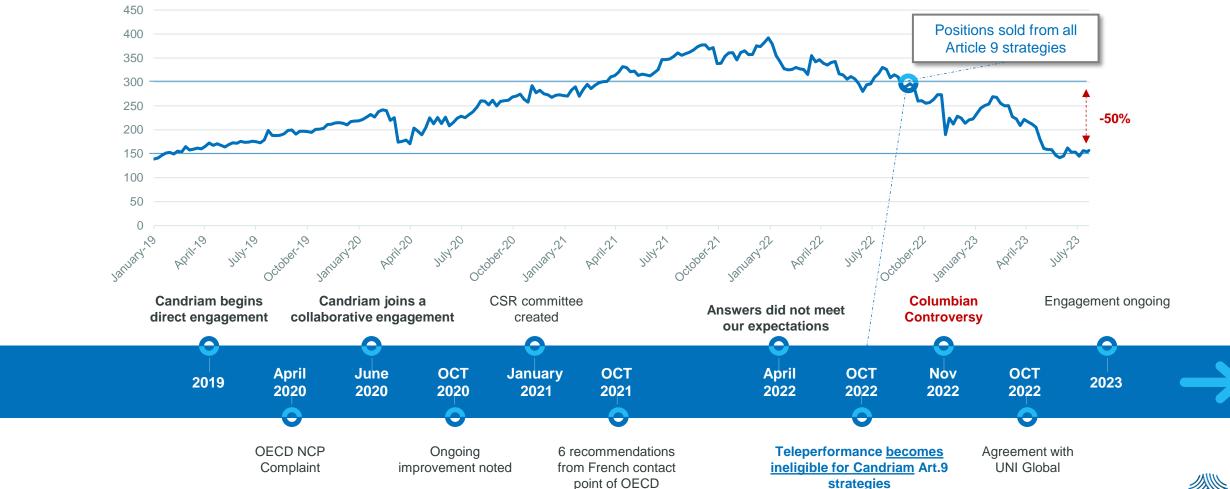
WHAT ARE THE RESULTS?

- January 2021: next to Audit, Risk & Compliance / Remuneration & Appointments Board Committees, a CSR Committee was created
- August 2021 : OECD NCP's mediation conclusions aligned with Candriam: need to strengthen its due diligence and stakeholder engagement processes
- TP has incorporated some of the NCP recommendations but there was clearly still room for improvement
- While the dialogue contributed to progress on some aspects, we did not observe sufficient progress on crucial points such as: quality of social dialogue and its measurement, completeness of external social audits, robustness of social performance indicators, balance of power at board level. This triggered questions to the board at the April 2022 AGM.
- The answers to our concerns were not considered convincing enough, we took escalation measures: Teleperformance turned noneligible for our Article 9 portfolios in September 2022, even before the recent spotlight put on Colombia operations in the press and the market reaction that followed.



Leverage from our engagement activities

Teleperformance SE





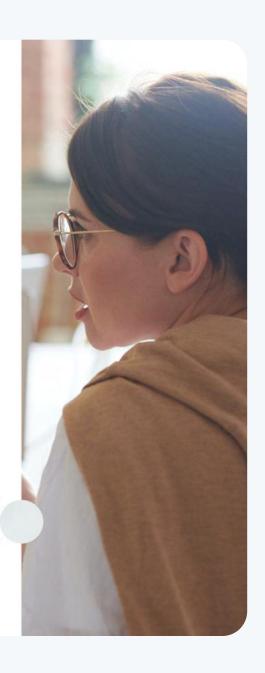
Human Capital in Small and Mid-Sized **Firms**

Active Engagement



Marketing communication

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Example of direct dialogue campaign - Human Capital in **Small and Mid-Sized Firms**

Why are we engaging?

- Campaign specifically targeting Small & Medium sized European companies on human capital management as the topic seems particularly material & challenging as:
 - > Highly-competitive operating environments and typically rapid growth can strain employees,
 - SMIDs are competing in same employment and talent market as larger firms.
- We want to support these SMIDs in their growth, understand main challenges, share with them expectations of responsible investors and best practices in both ESG disclosure and practices' fields.

What have we done?

- Between November 2020 and December 2021, data / key KPIs collection: 65 companies contacted (74% response rate).
- From January 2022 on, data analysis and identification of 5 priority targets
- Mid May, target companies receive our survey + detailed appendix enable them to position vs peers in terms of HCM disclosure

What are the results?

- **Engagement welcome** by target companies
- Top 5 priority targets: majority of our concerns have been cleared but we continue dialogue with some of them on specific points such as staff turnover, absenteeism or annual evaluation coverage.

Next Steps?

- Continuation of engagement with some of our top 5 priority targets of phase II
- Long term engagement: the focus of our phase III of engagement is still under discussion with our investment teams





Innovative Impact Measurements

Example: Bringing Materiality through impact indicators

CARBON EMISSIONS tons CO₂eq per million € invested fund/benchmark Benchmark 210 Ton Difference equivalent to 94 round trips Brussels-New York Emission produced by 115 cars annually

WATER CONSUMPTION Cubic meter of water per million € invested in fund/benchmark Consumption of 52 households Fund 1,072 m³ Difference equivalent to Consumption of 52 households Water usage from 156,359 showers



PERCENTAGE OF WOMEN

On the board



14% Benchmark



16% Fund

PERCENTAGE OF INDEPENDENT

Board members



51% Benchmark



53% Fund

Score goas from 0 (worst) to 100 (best) Coverage Rate (Fund/Benchmark): 94,7% / 95,1% Source : Candriam, ISS-Oekom Coverage Rate (Fund/Benchmark): 52,8% / 53,1%



Source: Candriam, Trucost / Coverage Rate (Fund/Benchmark): 95,7% / 95,0%



CANDRIAM ACADEMY Promoting Sustainable Development

The first free-access accredited training platform on sustainable investing



SPECIALISED ESG MODULES



Climate change



Circular economy



ESG analysis of companies



CANDRIAM INSTITUTE Objectives & Funding Principles















ESG Education & Research

Social Inclusion & Community

Environment

Fight Against Cancer

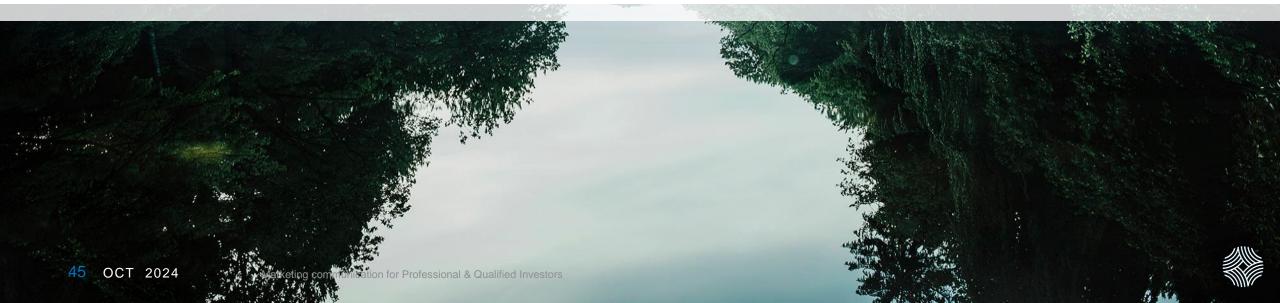
SELECTED THEMATIC STRATEGIES

SELECTED SUSTAINABLE STRATEGIES





CONCLUSION



What makes Candriam an ESG Leader?



Track record

25 years of successfully combining sustainability and financial objectives and building in-house ESG expert teams and databases



Research

Expert ESG Analyst Team develops & implements tried and tested proprietary frameworks for fundamental corporate and sovereign ESG analysis



Active shareholder

Dedicated voting and engagement team advances sustainability of issuers and informs investment decision-making ESG practices



Impact

Detailed, transparent ESG reporting

Walking the talk on **corporate responsibility** through education, public debate and charitable projects



Agility & Innovation

Sustainable investments across asset classes, thematic innovation and tailor-made sustainable solutions



ESG Partner

Partner to investors in their journey towards sustainability through various ESG-related services





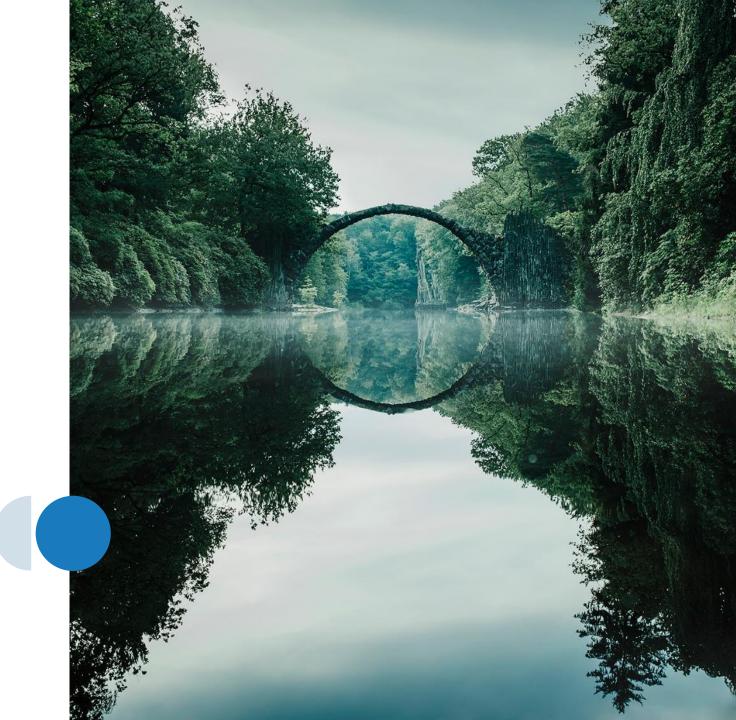
Candriam ESG Sectoral Model

CAPITAL GOODS(Electric Equipment & Machinery)

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- 1. Composition, Marcro Trends & Model
- 2. Business Activities analysis
- 3. Stakeholder Management analysis
- 4. Analysis Example



Capital Goods – Sector Composition

A heterogenous sector



- Electric Equipment: Companies that produce electric cables and wires, electrical components or equipment not classified in the Heavy Electrical Equipment Sub-Industry.
- Industrial Machinery: Manufacturers of industrial machinery and industrial components. Includes companies that manufacture presses, machine tools, compressors, pollution control equipment, elevators, escalators, insulators, pumps, roller bearings and other metal fabrications.
- Industrial Conglomerates: Diversified industrial companies with business activities in three or more sectors, none of which contributes a majority of revenues. Stakes held are predominantly of a controlling nature and stake holders maintain an operational interest in the running of the subsidiaries.
- Construction Machinery & Heavy Transportation Equipment: Manufacturers of heavy duty trucks, rolling machinery, earth-moving and construction equipment, and manufacturers of related parts. Includes non-military shipbuilding.
- Agricultural Machinery: Companies manufacturing agricultural machinery, farm machinery, and their related parts. Includes machinery used for the production of crops and agricultural livestock, agricultural tractors, planting and fertilizing machinery, fertilizer and chemical application equipment, and grain dryers and blowers.

Key Macro Trends - Capital Goods

Focus areas of in-depth analysis

Low- Carbon Transition

- Scope 3 can represent up to 99% of emissions and up to 80% in the use phase
- End-markets include the highest emitting sectors
- Capital Goods are enablers via solutions provided to these high-emitting end markets

"We are on the verge of a low carbon industrial revolution. Regulators and markets are demanding decarbonizing of high emitting sectors... The good news is that the capital goods sector is starting to meet this challenge."

- -Head of Investor Research, Carbon Disclosure Project
- Focus: Climate objectives, Product Portfolio, Scope 4



Digitalization – Industry 4.0

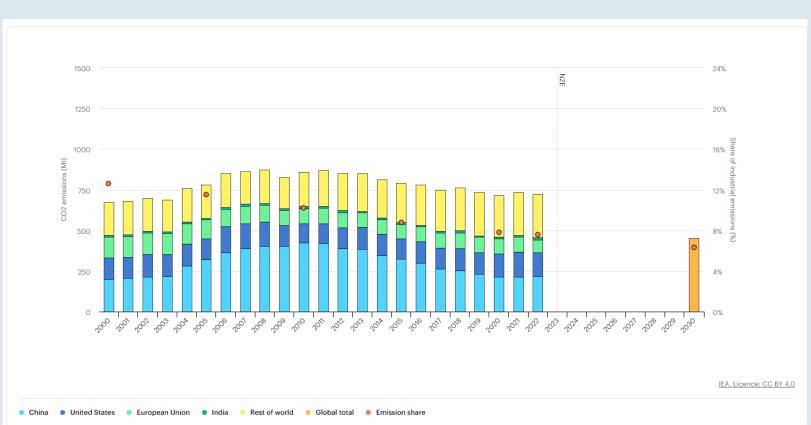
- Ath Industrial Revolution: Manufacturers are integrating new technologies, including Internet of Things (IoT), cloud computing and analytics, and Al and machine learning into their production facilities and throughout their operations.
- IIoT and connected products to optimize operations and enhancing sustainability
- New digital technologies to enhance and capitalize on product performance and changing the landscape of offerings
- > Focus: Digital offer / IIoT capabilities



Climate Change - Light Industry Emissions



Although a small part of Industry Emissions, efforts must accelerate to reach NZE by 2050

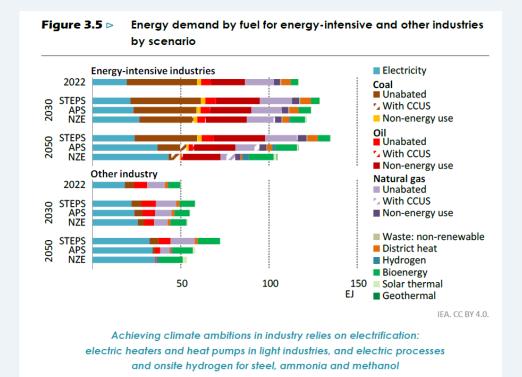


- Capital Goods emissions are counted within "Industry" emissions 23% of global emissions, more specially the 'Light Industry" which is 8% of the sector (IEA)
- Light industry describes a range of sectors with lower absolute energy use than heavy industry such as steel and cement.
- Key components of light industry include the production of food (30% of light-industry emissions), machinery (16%), textiles (7%), vehicles (6%) and timber (3%), construction (21%) and mining (18%).
- Efforts must accelerate to get on track with the Net Zero Emissions by 2050 Scenario, emissions decline by 6% per year to 2030, compared to 1.6% on average over the past decade.



Climate Change – Electrification

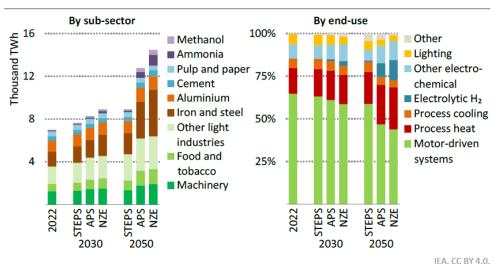
End-Markets & Decarbonization



Notes: CCUS = carbon capture, utilisation and storage; EJ = exajoules. Where low-emissions hydrogen is produced and consumed onsite at an industrial facility, the fuel input, such as electricity or natural gas, is reported as final energy consumption, not the hydrogen output.



Figure 3.6 ▷ Electricity demand by selected industry sub-sector, end-use and scenario, 2022-2050



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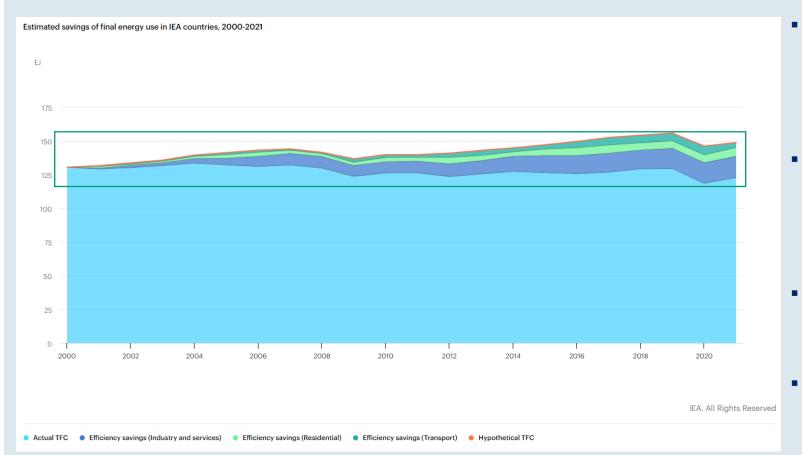
All industry sub-sectors depend on electricity and demand rises notably for process heat and hydrogen in the APS and NZE Scenario

Notes: TWh = terawatt-hours; $H_2 = hydrogen$. Machinery sub-sector refers to the production of machines and their components. Other electro-chemical includes primary aluminium production, chlor-alkali industry and some organic synthesis.

- Industry is the most energy consuming and CO2 emitting end-use sector, 38% of TFC and 47% of CO2 emissions (including emissions from electricity and heat).
- ▶ Electrification of process heat increases in all scenarios, reduces energy demand since more efficient vs fossil fuel processes that it replaces. To the extent that it draws on low-emissions sources of power, electrification also drives down CO2 emissions from the industry sector.

Climate Change – Enabling Technology - Energy Efficiency





- Energy efficiency, the "first fuel" in clean energy transitions, as it provides some of the quickest and most cost-effective CO2 mitigation options while lowering energy bills and strengthening energy security.
- Energy efficiency is the single largest measure to avoid energy demand in the Net Zero Emissions by 2050 Scenario, along with the closely related measures of electrification, behavioural change, digitalisation and material efficiency.
- IEA estimates that IEA members saved ~20% of energy since 2000-2021, equivalent to the final energy consumption of India
- Industry and Services sector accounted for 59% of these savings, buildings 23% and transport 18%.

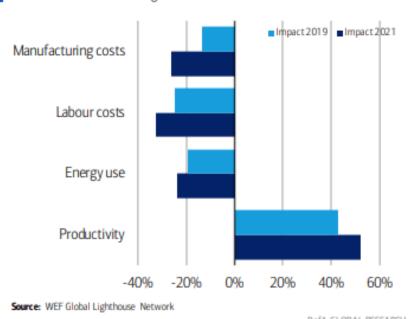
Digitalization - Industry 4.0

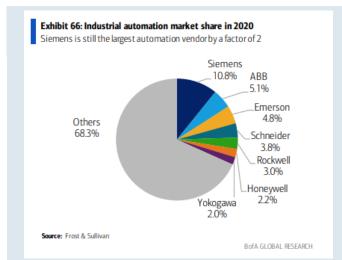
Further Growth To Come

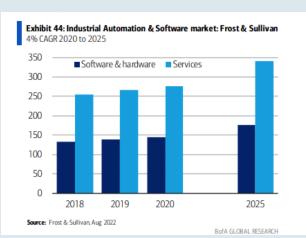


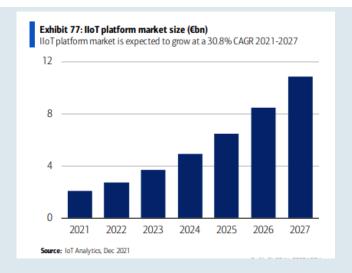
Exhibit 1: Impact of digital transformation & Industry 4.0

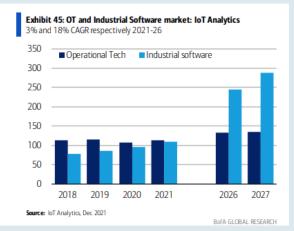
Energy, labour & manufacturing cost reductions of 24-32% have been achieved across the WEF Lighthouse Network







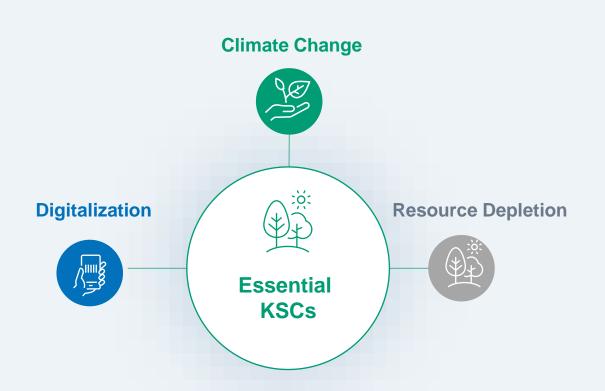




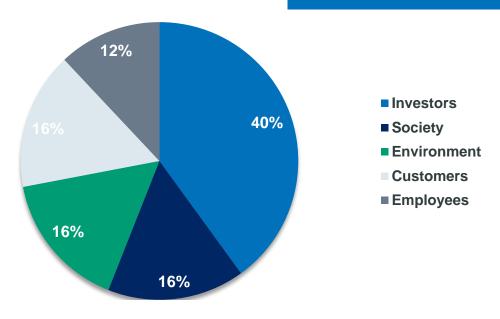


Capital Goods ESG Model

BUSINESS ACTIVITIES 50%



STAKEHOLDERS 50%



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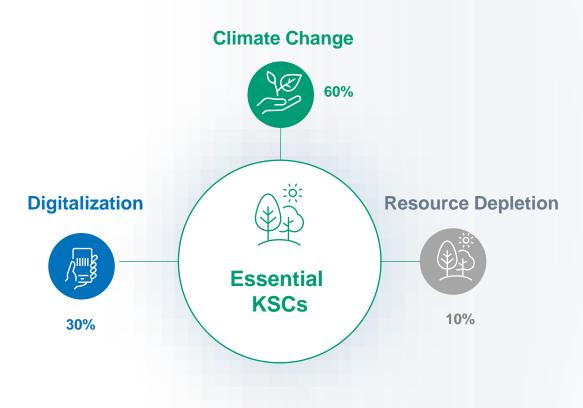




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Business Activities Analysis



KSC weights included for indicative purposes

- KSCs activated and weights will vary according to product and/or end-markets
- Climate Change tends to be the most material across the sector due its "enabler role" in low-carbon transition
- Digitalization via Industry 4.0 is enhancing the enabling capabilities of offerings
- Resource Depletion tends to be negative as industrial activities place a strain on natural resources



Climate Change – Enablers

CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate solutions supported by Regulation and Regional/National objectives



Energy Efficiency

Energy efficient components & Systems:

IE4/5 motors, AC drives, automaton, energy management solutions

Schneider Electric, Siemens, ABB, Rockwell

- EU Climate Targets: -55% GHG by 2030 & carbon neutrality by 2050
- EU Taxonomy & Recovery Plan (37% climate action, 20% digital)
- EU Regulation energy efficiency motors/drives (Effective July 2023) Tighter requirements and lager scope of motors and drives. Motors must be at least IE4 rating



Renewable Energy & Hydrogen

Wind turbine solutions, energy storage, grids, electrolysis technologies, etc

Vestas, Siemens Energy, SGRE, PowerCell, Nexans, Prysiams

- EU Clean Energy Package: 32% RE in Energy Mix by 2030
- Electricity interconnectivity target: at least 15% by 2030
- EU Hydrogen strategy, electrolyser capacity of 40 GW capacity (10Mt) by 2030



Low-carbon Transportation / emobility Transport electrification infrastructure (EV & rail), components and grids, rail signaling, hydrogen rail

Alstom, NEL, Alfen, Siemens,

- EU Rail Objectives : **ERTMS**, **Rail Digitalization**, **renewal/upgrade of stock**
- EU Truck Emission Reduction Proposal: 45%, -65% and -90% by 2030, 2035, and 2040
- ZEV Regulation California: zero-emsision truck targets 2035 and diesel truck phase 2045



Building & Energy

Smart building and energy management systems, LEDs

Schneider Electrics, ABB, Siemens, Legrand, Signify

- **EU Building Renovation Wave -** double current investments as 75% of the building stock is energy inefficient,
- EC estimates 185bn per year to meet 2030 objectives



Climate Change - Carbon Emissions - Scope 3



Scope 3 is the most material part of emissions

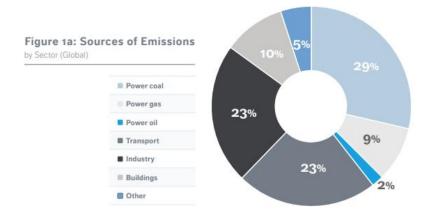
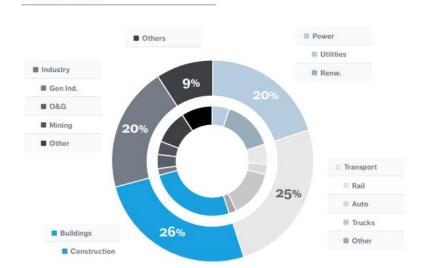


Figure 1b: Capital Goods Customers by Sector (European)



- Capital goods serve high-emitting sectors, with Scope 3
 can account up to over ~90% of total emissions
- Longer product lifecycles, ranging up to 40 years use phase of products' can represent over 80% of the end-toend CO2 footprint.
- Product Life Cycle: increasing number of capital goods companies are designing/manufacturing their equipment using the life cycle assessment. This enables companies to limit the potential emission impact at each life cycle stage.
- Cradle to Grave: starting from the raw material used to build the equipment up to its end-of-life treatment.
- Trend is heterogenous in terms of progress and comparability can be difficult with increasing category reporting & methodology changes



Climate Change – Scope 4

Scope 4 – Helping measure positive impact of Enablers capabilities



• Scope 4: CO2e savings or avoidance benefitting a customer vs a reference situation

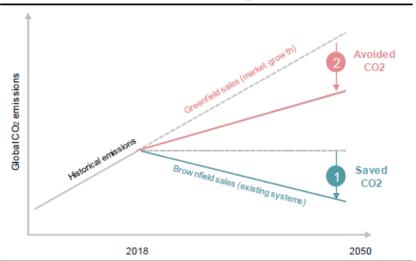
Schneider - Industry Leader in emission disclosure

GHG Protocol <u>and</u> accounts for emissions saved and avoided (scope 4)

Induced, avoided and saved emissions Saved or avoided emissions Induced reference Induced Schneider Reference situation Saved or avoided emissions



Reference situation - Brownfield and greenfield



- **Brownfield (CO2 saved)**: Sales that enable the **reduction of CO2e emissions** compared to the previous year and are related to the **replacement/upgrade** of existing systems.
- Greenfield (CO2 avoided): enable a limitation on the increase of emissions vs the most likely reference situation (including alternative technology or competitor offering).



Climate Change – Scope 4 Selected Examples



Helping measure positive impact of Enablers

Figure 7: Scope 4 Disclosure - Selected Capital Goods Companies

	Accounting Standard	Top-down/ Bottom Up	% of portfolio mapped	Savings Target & Year (in Mt)	Sales Period for savings Target	Key Savings Areas	Estimated lifetime
Schneider	Yearly	Bottom-up	20%	800+ (2025)	2018-2025	PPA, variable speed drives	5-15
Legrand	Yearly	Bottom-up	21%	12+ (2024)	2022-2024	Energy efficiency portfolio	4-15
ABB	Yearly	Bottom-up	"basket of 15 business cases" >20%	100+ (2030)	2021-2030	Variable speed drives, electric motors	Lifetime does not impact target as savings are only for the savings realized in the year 2030
Vestas	Yearly	Top-down	100%	-	-	Wind Turbines	21
Siemens	Cumulative	Top-down	32%	-	-	-	-

Source: Candriam, company reports, Société Générale

Obstacles & Challenges for Companies

- First hurdle is the lack of industry standard
- Best reference point and assumptions
- Deriving a simple but yet robust methodology
- Unfair comparisons vs peers
- A learning process, revision and improvements of methodologies



Digitalization – Industry 4.0

Industry 4.0 an enable in the optimization efficiency





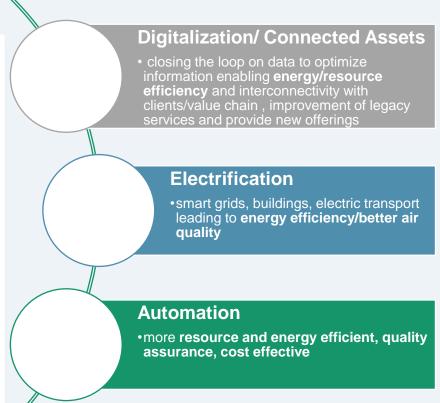
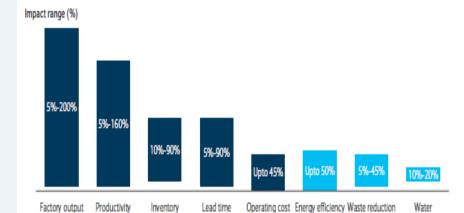


FIGURE 10

Key performance indicators: Factory sites with IIoT technologies implemented at scale have seen improvement in operational and sustainability KPIs



Source Global Lighthouses report – World Economic Forum, Dec 2019

Operations



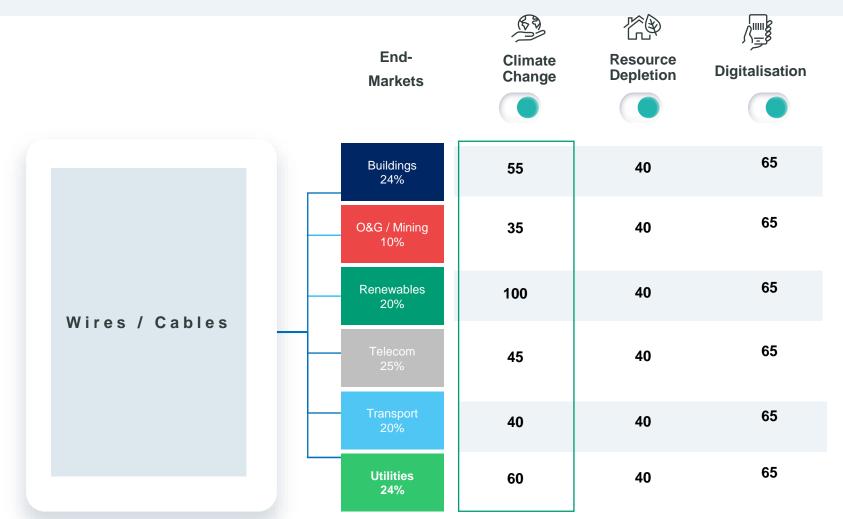
consumption

reduction

Sustainability

Business Activities - Examples

Cables – End-markets are important!



* Climate Change Rationale

- Climate Change is positive mainly due to its exposure to renewables and utility grids.
- Cables play a critical role in the energy transition at various levels:
 - 1. Cable connection between turbines/solar panels
 - 2. Renewable energy generated needs to be exported using high voltage cables to connect it to the broader electrical grid
 - interconnection cables between regions via land or submarine installation which will enhance grid optimization and energy independence.
- Negative exposure from O&G/Mining and the Transport sector (significant exposure to automotive industry).



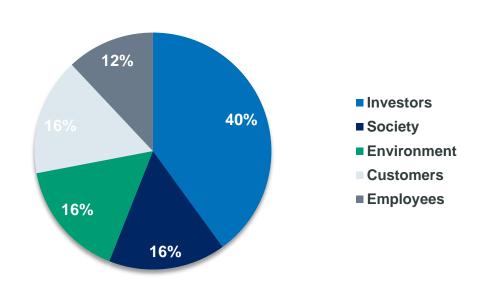


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Candriam Stakeholder Analysis

Capital Goods Stakeholder Management – 50%



Themes	Weight
Investors: Corporate Governance	40%
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Corporate Governance

Company governance structure is key in industries inherently prone to corruption. Efficient board oversight, independent committees, shareholder rights enable a sustainable long-term company strategy

Relations with public authorities / corruption

► High exposure to government contracts and bidding processes represent high risk corruption/anti-competitive practices

Energy & climate change

Companies have a significant carbon footprint, addressing scope 1-3 is key

Product & Safety

 Companies are suppliers of complex machinery and services and if defected could represent safety risks

Recruitment & Retention

Companies are highly dependent on high skilled labor due increasing digitalization and must be able to attract and retain talent



Governance & Society – Corruption a Key Risk

- High exposure to government contracts and bidding processes represent high risk corruption/anti-competitive practices
- Corruption & anti-competitive risks are considered via two Stakeholders :

Investors (40%)
Corporate Governance



- Board structure, independence, composition, diversity
- Separate CEO / Chairman
- Independence and composition of committees (pay, audit,..)
- Management Track Record
- Remuneration policies
- "One share, One vote"
- Financial conduct & related controversies

Society (16%)

Relations with public authorities/corruption



- Frequency & severity of corruption controversies
- Anonymous whistleblower system
- Ethics training & coverage
- Corruption Perception Index
- Public vs private market exposure



Power Cable Cartel, 1999-2009

- ► European Commission fined 10 companies €301.6 million.
- 11 producers of underground and submarine power cables operated a decade allocating projects by region/customer providing sensitive information to ensure lowest bid vs competitors
- Companies: ABB, Nexans, Pyrsiams, Hitachit, Mistishibi

Truck Cartel, 1997-2011

- European Commission fined 5 trucks constructors €2.93 billion
- ▶ 14 years of price fixing of constructors that represented 90% of the European markets
- Companies: Daimler, Volvo, Iveco, DAF, Scania and MAN



Environment - Analysis Example

Environment (16%) Energy & climate change



DAIMLER TRUCK

Climate Objectives SBTi Validated Targets - Net Zero across value chain by 2050 2030: Scope 1 & 2, - 50%, Use phase targets per operating segment

Progress vs Baseline: Trucks, -4%, Buses, -7%, Construction Equipment -11%) except for Volvo Penta with an increase of 5%.

Neutral operations - US, Japan & India (2025), Globally (2039) No scope 3 reporting or Targets, and use of offsets!!

Scope 1 & 2 reduction by 42%

Renewable Energy

48% renewable energy

29% renewable energy

Certifications

ISO 14001: 95% of production facilities & 90% of distribution centers.

ISO 14001 certified, representing 92% of relevant locations

Product Strategy

- •2030, electric vehicles should account for at least 35% of vehicle sales globally across all segments
- •Ambition in Europe: 70% for all new trucks sold in 2030
- 100% fossil free vehicles starting from 2040 (including BioLNG and Biofuels)
- 3 levers for product decarbonization: 1) Battery-electric 2) Fuel cellelectric 3) Internal combustion engines running on lower carbon fuels (biofuels)
- · Various partnerships & initiatives, batteries, EV infrastructure, fuel cells, etc

- •2030: Sales share of up to 60% vehicles CO2-neutral in driving operation (EU, Japan, United States)
- 2039: 100% offer of new vehicles CO2-neutral in driving operation (EU, Japan, United States)
- 2050: 100% offer of new vehicles CO2-neutral in driving operation worldwide

Strategic focus on two complementary technologies to decarbonize transport: batteries and hydrogen fuel-cells

Various partnerships & initiatives, batteries, EV infrastructure, fuel cells, etc

Suppliers /Green Sourcing

First Movers Coalition - Swedish steel manufacturer SSAB on fossil free steel for its vehicles. First manufacturer to deliver a construction machine made with fossil-free steel to a customer (NCC).

No evidence of active green sourcing strategy. Aims to have 70% of production material volume covered by environmental certificates

Recycling

85% over the past 3 years with metal scraps accounting for a significant amount of the recycled materials

Recovery rate of waste: 85%



Employees – Human Capital Snapshot

Employees (12%) Recruitment & Retention



- Turnover rate, voluntary rate, absenteeism rate
- Employee share plan
- Training programs and hours
- Health & Safety Program, accident rate
- Diversity & inclusion programs, female %
- Collective bargaining agreement coverage
- HCM Targets

Company	Total Turnover		Voluntary Turnov	er	Collective Bargaining	% Women Workforce		% Women Senior Mgt/ExCo	A	vg Training Hours	LTFIR	
Schneider SE	16.60%	Ψ	9.60%	→	70%	33%	→	41%	Ψ	24%	0.32	→
Legrand SA	15%	→	5.10%	4	47%	38%		24.40%	^	20	1.92	Ψ.
Siemens AG	11.60%	4	6.60%	^	ND	27%	→	25%	^	21	^ 1.3	•
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ABB Ltd	16%	→	ND	ND	ND	28%	^	22%	→	30	ND 0.85	
Alstom SA	12.80%	→	7.20%	^	63.70%	20%	→	19%	^	22.2	0.8	4
Nexans SA	23.00%	→	ND	ND	ND	39%	→	14.70%	•	19.0	♠ 2.31	↑
Vestas	15.20%	→	ND	ND	ND	16%	1	4%			ND - 2022 1.2	



Customers - Snapshot & Example

Customers (16%) Product & Safety



- Quality assurance system & Certification
- Product governance disclosure
- Recall, claims and lawsuits
- Frequency & severity of quality related controversies





- ► ISO 90001 certification coverage not disclosed
- Disclosure on product governance
- ▶ Involved in various controversies: Between 2014 and 2022, the company was implicated in incidents related to its single-use facemasks, respirators, surgical warming blankets and Combat Arms earplugs, which led to various recalls, lawsuits, and personal injury and health claims
- Class Action lawsuit: Military Ear Plugs
 - Indications that 3M knew their earplugs were defective
 - Attempt to avoid lawsuit by filing for Chapter 11
 - Settlement of \$6.01 billion, paid over 2023-2029



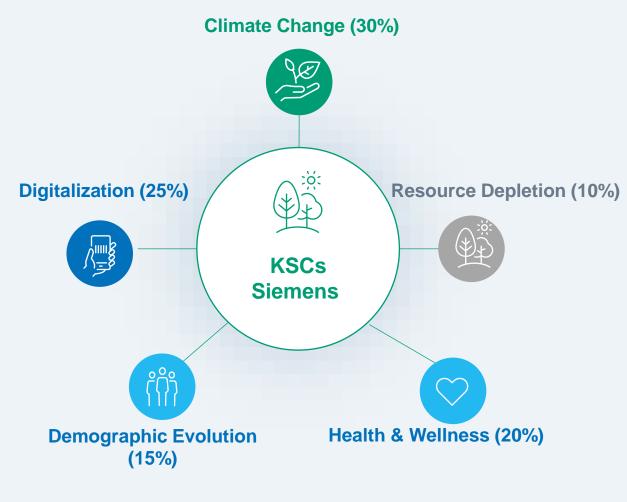


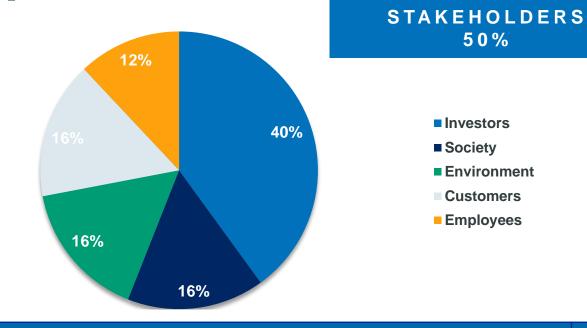
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Siemens AG – ESG Model

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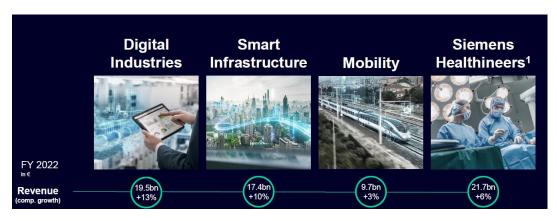




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ESG Company Analysis in practice

SIEMENS AG (ESG3)



	Exposure	Climate Change	Demographic Evolution	Health & Wellness	Interconnectivity	Resource Depletion
Business Activities						
Automation - Industries Ex. Energy	20	54	50	50	70	45
Automation Industries - Related Services	2	50	50	50	50	50
DiagnosticsHCEAS	32	50	70	90	50	50
Industrial Software (IIoT Capabilities)	7	65	50	50	100	55
Machinery Rail - Rolling Stock	7	80	50	50	70	40
Machinery Rail - Services	2	80	50	50	70	40
Machinery Rail - Signalling	5	80	50	50	100	40
Smart Buildings - Electrical Equipement	18	65	50	50	70	45
Smart Grid Technology & Equipement (Smart Meters, Switchgears, Etc)	7	70	50	50	75	40
Bonus						
Green Technology Strategy Bonus		20	0	0	0	0
Total						
Score		80	56	63	67	46

Business Activities

80

66*50%

+

Climate Change

- "Enabler" solutions across all segments, except SHS allowing decarbonization of high-emitting sectors Transport, Industry & Buildings
- DI automaton & motion energy efficient products & Systems
- SI Smart building management
 & Grid equipment & systems
- Mobility battery & hydrogen trains
- > Bonus: High R&D (7.8%), low carbon solutions 30-50%

67

Digitalization

- MindSphere—Siemens' IIoT solution embedded across different platforms
- Mobility ATO capacities and traffic signaling solutions
- Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) model in the Digital Industries successful transitioning (18%)

46

Resource Depletion

- Manufacturing activities represent a high environmental footprint in terms of use of natural resources including various metals for electrical components
- Company's digital capacity allow to lessen negative impact

63 & 56

Health & Wellness & Demographic Evolution

- Offering addresses growing needs with an ageing population and the expected rise in cancers in all
- Global market-leading provider of healthcare imaging equipment, dominating the CT-scanners and MRI segments.



ESG Company Analysis in practice

Siemens AG (ESG3)

Stakeholder Analysis

55*50%

52 Investors

Governance

- Board independence (95%), 45% diversity; independent CoB and 2/3 committees
- > Oversized board, 20 members
- Widely-held, Equal voting rights, limited rights to act by consent (100% votes needed)
- > No ESG Committee
- votes against remuneration 8.3% and 7.9%, CIC arrangement, single cash trigger
- Remuneration, 200% and 300%
 STIP & LTIP, ESG factors
 included targets unclear
- > Financial conduct frequent & ongoing corruption controversies

74 Environment

Energy & climate change

- → SBTi targets, 1.5C Targets:
- 2025 55% reduction of Scope
 1 & 2
- 2030 Net Zero Operations, including 90% reduction of Scope 1&2 vs 2019 baseline, 30% emissions reduction in Scope 3
- 2050 net zero value chain,
 Scope 3 by -90%
- Engagement: Upward revision of Scope 3 mentioned, information on levers, etc
- Scope 4: 150 million tons avoided, FY22 Sales, 189M FY23
- > 2030 : **EP100, RE 100 & EV 100**
- > Certification scope ND
- > Product Circularity KPIs ND

50 Customers

Product Quality & Safety

- In overall, minor product controversies, excluding SHS which has had more incidents
- > ISO 9001 certified operations is not disclosed.
- > NPS not disclosed
- Increased disclosure on product governance encouraged

69 Employees

Recruitment & Retention

- HCM Targets across various areas: Intraining, H&S, Diversity Top
 Management, Employee share plans
- > TO rate 9.6% vs 11.6%, voluntary rate 5.3% in FY23 vs 4.7% FY21
- > Women Total & Mgmt: 27%, 31.3% (vs25%)
- Collective bargaining agreements coverage – Total ND (79% Germany,FY23)
- > Employee share plan (99.9 vs 98% eligibility)
- > Limited information on benefits at Group level
- > H&S certification coverage: 59%
- > LTIFR: 0.24 FY23 vs 0.26

- 39 Society
- Public Authorities Relations
 - Independent & anonymous whistleblower system
- Disclosure on complaints
- Activities in Occupied Palestine and allegation of Uyghur forced labor in China
- Despite reinforcements, controversies still haunt the company
- Spain (railroad cartel), Italy (Milan subway cartel), and Turkey (bribery of government officials, railroads) and India (money laundering).

Net Zero Alignment assessment:

by 2050

SIEMENS

Final assessment: Aligned to net zero

Ambition	Long-term 2050 goal consistent with achieving net zero	SBTi targets, 1.5°C by 2030, and "committed" Net Zero.	pathway
Targets	Short- and medium-term emissions reduction target (scope 1, 2 and material scope 3)	 'Scope 3 represents 99% of emissions of which 93% are from the use phase from Investments (category 15). Targets: 2025 – 55% reduction of Scope 1 & 2 2030 – Net Zero Operations, including 90% reduction of Scope 1&2 vs 201: use of product emissions), by 30% vs 2019 2050 –net zero value chain, Scope 3, reduction by -90% During engagement company stated it would upgrade targets for scope 3 to September 2024. However, to note that at this stage 10% of Scope 1 & 2 will 	9 baseline, Scope 3 emissions, upstream and downstream (including o obtain SBTi validation. Official upward revision and validation in
Emissions performance	Current emissions intensity performance (scope 1, 2 and material scope 3) relative to targets	Scope 1&2: 55% reduction since 2019 baseline (FY23, -50%). On track. RE100: 80% renewable electricity for Siemens / EV100: 11% electric vehicles a net CO2 e emissions during regular operations Scope 3:overall good performance and on track to meet target Baseline Scope 3 (CDP): 538,126,563 (total), 442,175,000 (use of products), 8,0 Total Scope 3: -10.21% vs baseline (2019)	
Disclosure	Disclosure of scope 1, 2 and material scope 3 emissions	Overall good disclosure across KPIs, including qualitative and methodological To note: in 2021 and 2022 we observed methodology changes and restatement in drives and motors.	·
Decarbonization strategy	Quantified plan setting out the measures that will be deployed to deliver GHG targets	'Scope 1 & 2 levers: In its 2030 objectives, it commits to doubling energy product electric vehicle fleet (EV 100) Scope 3 levers: Use phase levers: 1)product generation updates 2)digitalization. The breakdown of contribution of each lever is not disclosed, however, the most To be noted that 90% of scope 3 emissions come from motors which will highly Supply Chain: "Carbon Reduction @ Suppliers" to track and identify CO2 perform."	on, 3)end-user electricity mix t important will be the energy mix. depend on the energy mix.
Capital allocation alignment	Clear demonstration that the capital expenditures of the company are consistent with achieve NZ emissions	Low carbon R&D: 30-50% (engagement). Siemens has pledged to invest an additional €650 million in its own decarbonized investments focusing on buildings, PV installations, net zero construction, F	••



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