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ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is the continuing commitment to act responsibly by integrating social and environmental concerns into business operations. Sustainability goes beyond regulatory compliance to focus on how companies manage their economic, social and environmental impacts, as well as their relationships with stakeholders (e.g. employees, trading partners, government).

ABOUT THE ASSESSMENT

The EcoVadis methodology framework assesses companies' policies and actions as well as their published reporting related to the environment, labor and human rights, ethics and sustainable procurement. Our team of international sustainability experts analyze and crosscheck companies' data (supporting documents, 360° Watch Findings, etc.) in order to create reliable ratings, taking into account each company's industry, size and geographic location.

ABOUT ECOVADIS

EcoVadis provides the leading solution for monitoring sustainability in global supply chains. Using innovative technology and sustainability expertise, we strive to engage companies and help them adopt sustainable practices.

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1. SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

Insufficient

Score breakdown

Sustainability performance





Partial



Moderate

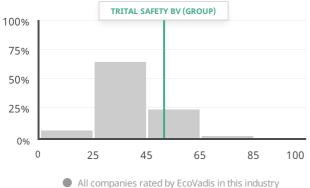


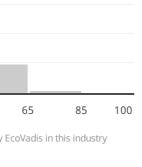
Outstanding



Average score

Overall score distribution







TRITAL SAFETY BV (GROUP) has been awarded a bronze medal in recognition of sustainability achievement! To receive this medal, companies must have an overall score of 45-54.

Theme score comparison

Advanced



Corrective Action Plan in progress

The Corrective Action Plan is a collaborative feature designed to support companies' performance improvement. It enables companies to build an improvement plan online, communicate planned and completed corrective actions and share feedback. TRITAL SAFETY BV (GROUP) has a corrective action plan in place and is working on improving their sustainability management system.

^{*} You are receiving this score/medal based on the disclosed information and news resources available to EcoVadis at the time of assessment. Should any information or circumstances change materially during the period of the scorecard/medal validity, EcoVadis reserves the right to place the business' scorecard/medal on hold and, if considered appropriate, to re-assess and possibly issue a revised scorecard/medal.

2. ASSESSMENT BENEFITS

Understand:

Get a clear picture of a company's sustainability performance. The scorecard is the final output of the EcoVadis assessment. It rates and benchmarks a company's sustainability performance in four themes on a scale of 0-100 and highlights strengths and improvement areas.

Know where a company stands compared to their industry. Benchmark the company's sustainability performance against the industry with a score distribution graph and theme score comparisons.

Identify industry trends. Discover the primary sustainability risks, regulations, hot topics and best practices related to specific industries.

Communicate:

Meet customer needs. More and more companies raise questions about their trading partners' environmental and social performance. The EcoVadis assessment allows companies to demonstrate their commitment.

Leverage a unique communication tool. Companies with an EcoVadis Scorecard avoid audit fatigue by sharing one assessment with all requesting customers.

3. ASSESSMENT PROCESS



Customer Request

Procurement, CSR, EHS, and Sustainability leaders in enterprises looking to monitor sustainability risk in the supply chain request an EcoVadis assessment for their trading partners.



Questionnaire

Based on a company's specific sustainability risk factors, a customized questionnaire is created. It contains 20 to 50 questions tailored to the industry, size and location.



Document Analysis

Companies are required to provide supporting documentation for their answers to the questionnaire. These documents are reviewed by our analysts.



Public Information

Company information that is publicly available, most often found on the company website, is also collected as evidence of their sustainability performance.



360° Watch Findings

360° Watch Findings comprise relevant public information about companies' sustainability practices, identified via more than 2,500 data sources. They can have positive, negative or no score impact.



Expert Analysis

Our analysts combine all these elements to produce one unified scorecard per company.

SCORECARD



4. ECOVADIS METHODOLOGY

A. Four Themes and 21 Criteria

EcoVadis assessments focus on 21 issues which are grouped into 4 themes (Environment, Labor & Human Rights, Ethics, Sustainable Procurement). The 21 issues or criteria are based upon international sustainability standards such as the Global Compact Principles, the International Labour Organization (ILO) conventions, the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) standard, the ISO 26000 standard, and the CERES principles.

21 sustainability criteria

1. ENVIRONMENT

OPERATIONS

Energy consumption & GHGs Water Biodiversity Local & Accidental Pollution Materials, Chemicals & Waste

PRODUCTS

Product Use Product End-of-Life Customer Health & Safety Environmental Services & Advocacy

3. ETHICS

Corruption Anticompetitive Practices Responsible Information Management

2. LABOR & HUMAN RIGHTS

HUMAN RESOURCES

Employee Health & Safety Working Conditions Social Dialogue Career Management & Training

HUMAN RIGHTS

Child Labor, Forced Labor & Human Trafficking Diversity, Discrimination & Harassment External Stakeholders Human Rights

4. SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT

Supplier Environmental Practices Supplier Social Practices







B. Seven Management Indicators

EcoVadis assessments evaluate a company's sustainability management system by looking at seven management indicators. These are used to further customize the assessment by weighting the four themes and their subsequent 21 sustainability criteria.



Policies (weight: 25%)

- 1. Policies: Mission statements, policies, objectives, targets, governance
- 2. Endorsement: Endorsement of external sustainability initiatives

Actions (weight: 40%)

- 3. Measures: Measures and actions implemented (e.g. procedures, training, equipment)
- 4. Certifications: Certifications and labels (e.g. ISO 14001)
- 5. Coverage: Coverage of measures and actions

Results (weight: 35%)

- 6. Reporting: Reporting on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
- 7. 360: Condemnations, Controversies, Awards

5. UNDERSTANDING A SCORECARD

The overall score can be better understood by looking at quantitative information (theme scores and activated criteria) and qualitative information (strengths and improvement areas).

A. Quantitative Information: Scores & Activated Criteria

Theme Scores:

Like the overall score, theme scores are on a scale of 1 to 100.

Activated Criteria:

Each of the four themes (Environment, Labor & Human Rights, Ethics, Sustainable Procurement) have specific criteria associated with them. Because the questionnaire is customized by industry, size and location, not all 21 criteria are activated for every company and some criteria are weighted more heavily than others.

Non-activated

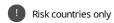
If certain criteria are not activated, then the specific associated issue is not relevant or has very low sustainability risk for that company.

Medium

Medium importance criteria are the issues some sustainability risk is present but not the most pressing.

High

High importance criteria are the issues where the company faces the greatest sustainability risk.



Criteria classified as Only in Risk Countries are activated only if the company has significant operations in one or more countries identified as risky.

B. Qualitative Information: Strengths & Improvement Areas

Qualitative information provides more details and insights into a company's score. For each theme, the company is assigned strengths (elements of their sustainability management system that are positive) and improvement areas (elements of their sustainability management system that need to be improved). The strengths and improvement areas are divided according to the three management layers (Policies, Actions, Results) and are also classified by priority.

All improvement areas are automatically added to the company's Corrective Action Plan. They are pre-organized by priority. The Corrective Action Plan is a collaborative feature designed to support companies' performance improvement. It enables companies to build an improvement plan online, communicate planned and completed corrective actions and share feedback.

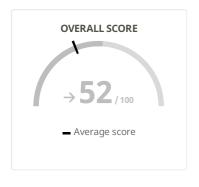
C. The Scoring Scale

0 - 24	Insufficient	No engagements or tangible actions regarding sustainability. Evidence in certain cases of misconduct (e.g. pollution, corruption).
25 - 44	Partial	No structured sustainability approach. Few engagements or tangible actions on selected issues. Partial reporting on Key Performance Indicators. Partial certification or occasional labeled product.
45 - 64	Moderate	Structured and proactive sustainability approach. Engagements/policies and tangible actions on major issues. Basic reporting on actions or Key Performance Indicators.
65 - 84	Advanced	Structured and proactive sustainability approach. Engagements/policies and tangible actions on major issues with detailed implementation information. Significant sustainability reporting on actions and Key Performance Indicators.
85 - 100	Outstanding	Structured and proactive sustainability approach. Engagements/policies and tangible actions on all issues with detailed implementation information. Comprehensive sustainability reporting on actions and Key Performance Indicators. Innovative practices and external recognition.

6. ENVIRONMENT

This theme takes into account both operational factors (e.g. energy consumption, waste management) and product stewardship (e.g. product end-of-life, customer health and safety issues).

Environment Score Breakdown

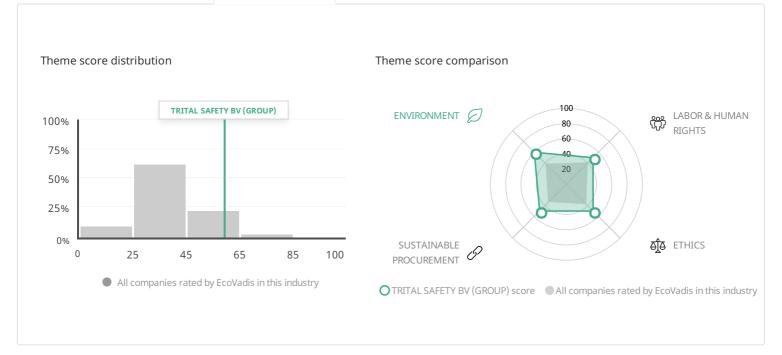












Environment: Activated Criteria

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Environment: Strengths & Improvement Areas

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Environment

Weight • • •

Strengths (8)

Actions

Formalized procedure related to materials / chemicals management (e.g. storing, handling, transportation)

Information

The company demonstrates that it has a procedure in place related to materials/chemicals management (e.g. storing, handling, transportation) through supporting documentation.

Guidance

Procedural documents detail a company's control systems and/or processes, and assign responsibilities for tasks and actions. Procedures describe how policies that are implemented by the company will be put into action. They can be presented in form of checklists, instructions, flowcharts, etc. A typical procedure document should outline the issues at hand, employees or departments responsible for overseeing or implementing the procedure, and how the procedure is to be implemented (i.e. step-by-step). Examples of procedures related to materials/chemicals management could be: process to properly store or handle hazardous materials, training procedures relating to labling or transporting hazardous materials, etc.

Dedicated feedback channel on health & safety issues of products

Information

The company has implemented a channel for collection of external feedback regarding any potential health and safety issues of the company's products.

Guidance

External sources can provide feedback regarding any issues with the health and safety of products through a channel that is set up by the company. This is a good way for the company to be able to monitor and receive feedback regarding any potential health and safety risks to the customers, that may stem from their products. This can help reduce and/or remove the dangers that products could potentially pose on customers. By implementing a feedback program, the company can greatly reduce the risks as well as reduce the number of recalls. The company can greatly reduce the risks faced by its customers and their families as well as reduce the number of health and safety incidents for their customers who use their products.

ISO 14001 certified (at least one operational site)

Information

The company has provided a valid ISO 14001 certificate that covers at least one operating site $\,$

Guidance

ISO 14001 is the internationally recognised standard for the environmental management of businesses. It prescribes controls for those activities that have an effect on the environment. These include the use of natural resources, handling and treatment of waste and energy consumption. Organizations that implement ISO 14001 have a clear management structure with defined authority and responsibility, clear objectives for improvement, with measurable results and a structured approach to environmental impacts. This includes the monitoring of environmental system management failures, auditing of performance, and review of policies and objectives.

Recall procedure in place

Information

The company has a formalized process to recall recently sold products in order to correct a defect that could potentially expose customers to harmful health and safety hazards.

Guidance

A product recall usually involves steps such as notifications of competent authorities, public recall announcements (e.g. press releases, information on government websites), followed by market withdrawals and consumer compensation.



Results

Reporting on total Scope 1 and/or 2 GHG emissions

Reporting on total weight of non-hazardous waste

Reporting on total weight of hazardous waste

Reporting on total energy consumption

Information

The company has reported KPIs with regard to total energy consumption either through formal documentation or questionnaire declaration.

Guidance

Total energy consumed represents total primary energy consumption reported in kWh. Total energy consumed may include e.g. consumption of coal and coke (in Kg) reported in kWh and/or consumption of oil, LPG and electrical power in kWh.

Improvement Areas (4)

Policies



Inconclusive documentation on environmental policies

Information

There is no formal policy on environmental issues in the supporting documentation provided by the company, or company has provided supporting evidence that was not approved due to quality/acceptance requirements. e.g. company name, recent date (8 years).

Guidance

A standard environmental policy integrates commitments and/or operational objectives on the main environmental risks the company faces. It is communicated to internal and external stakeholders through a formal dedicated document (e.g. QHSE Policy). A standard environmental policy contains qualitative objectives/commitments specific to those issues. The policy should also incorporate some of the following elements: scope of application, allocation of responsibilities, quantitative objectives (i.e. on energy consumption & GHG emissions), and review mechanisms. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Actions



No information on measures regarding energy consumption & GHGs

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on actions implemented on the reduction of energy consumption $\&\, \mathsf{GHG}$ emissions.

Guidance

Some examples of actions on this topic include: carbon footprint assessment, installation of innovative equipment to reduce energy consumption, and awareness training of employees on energy consumption issues. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here.





No measures in place regarding environmental services and advocacy

Information

The company declares no specific mechanisms or concrete actions in place on the promotion of sustainable consumption amongst customers, and there is no evidence contained within the supporting documentation on this topic.

Guidance

Some examples of actions on this topic include the promotion of products or services with positive environmental or social impacts (e.g. provision to customers of services for reducing material consumption, provision of ecodesigned products), provision of information to support more sustainable behavior of clients, or raising client awareness on CSR issues.

Results



Reporting available on environmental issues, but some material topics are not covered

Information

There is some evidence of formal reporting on environmental issues in the supporting documentation. It may include key performance indicators (KPIs), or statistical figures. However reporting elements may be limited in terms of quality or quantity, may not cover the main issues, or reporting is not regularly updated.

Guidance

Based on the information provided for the assessment, reporting does not cover a major portion of relevant issues. To improve the quality of reporting, KPIs could include material issues for the company's environmental performance. For example, annual figures on electricity consumption and GHG emissions, waste management, or any other available KPIs. For more information on the specific environmental performance KPIs please refer to the GRI Standards. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

7. LABOR & HUMAN RIGHTS

This theme takes into account both internal human resources (e.g. health and safety, working conditions, career management) and human rights issues (e.g. discrimination and/or harassment, child labor).

Labor & Human Rights Score Breakdown

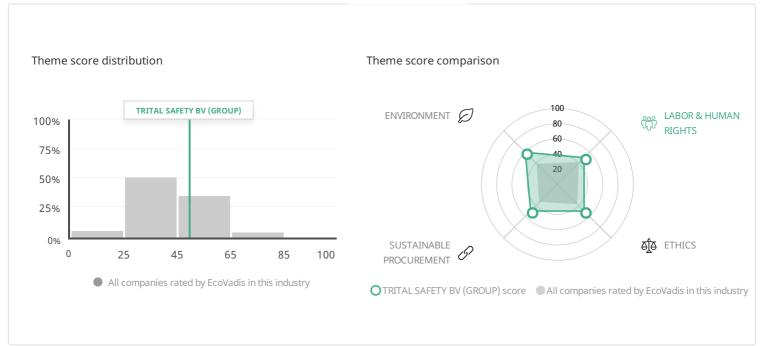












Labor & Human Rights: Activated Criteria

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Labor & Human Rights: Strengths & Improvement Areas

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Labor & Human Rights

Weight • • •

Strengths (8)

Policies

Labor or human rights policy on some relevant issues [i.e. employee health & safety]

Information

The company has formalized statements, commitments, and operational objectives on the management of its labor and human rights practices, focusing on some material issues. The existing policy does not cover the main labor and human rights issues the company is confronted with.

Guidance

A standard labor and human rights policy includes commitments and/or operational objectives on the main labor and human rights risks the company faces. It is communicated to internal and external stakeholders through a formal dedicated document. A standard labor and human rights policy contains qualitative objectives/commitments specific to those issues. The policy should also incorporate some of the following elements: scope of application, allocation of responsibilities, quantitative objectives, and review mechanisms. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Actions

Compensation for extra or atypical working hours

Information

The company provides additional remuneration to compensate for overtime work.

Guidance

Extra or atypical hours refers to all hours worked in excess of the normal hours (could be overtime hours for instance). Employees should be provided additional compensation for overtime and/or other forms of atypical working hours.

Additional leave beyond standard vacation days

Information

The company has official measures to promote work-life balance in place, which have been found within the supporting documentation. The company provides additional leave beyond vacation days mandated by local regulations.

Guidance

The company has implemented working practices that acknowledge and aim to support the needs of staff in achieving a balance between their home and working lives. The company provides additional days of leave for employees, outside of standard vacation days mandated by regulations. Additional days of leave can include paternal leave, bereavement leave, jury duty, election day leave, and sabbatical leave.

Emergency preparedness plan to all impacted employees (e.g. fire drills)

Information

The company has conducted an emergency preparedness plan to protect all impacted employees from potential hazards.

Guidance

Some potential examples of measures could include building evacuation drills ("fire drills"), sheltering from severe weather such as tornadoes, "shelter-in-place" from an exterior airborne hazard such as a chemical release and protective action when faced with an act of violence.



Provision of protective equipment to all impacted employees

Information

The company provides personal protective equipment to all impacted employees

Guidance

Personal protective equipment, commonly referred to as "PPE", is equipment worn to minimize exposure to a variety of health and safety hazards. Examples of PPE include items such as gloves, foot and eye protection, protective hearing devices (earplugs, muffs) hard hats, respirators and full body suits. (Source: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)) When engineering, work practice and administrative controls are not feasible or do not provide sufficient protection, employers must provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to their employees and ensure their systematic use. In general, employees should properly wear PPE, attend training sessions on PPE, care for, clean and maintain PPE, and inform a supervisor of the need to repair or replace PPE.

Employee health & safety detailed risk assessment

Information

The company carries out employee health & safety detailed risk assessments

Guidance

The company has carried out detailed risk assessment of health and safety. Occupational health and safety risk assessments are a crucial step in the prevention process. They involve the identification of all the potential hazards an employee may face while carrying out regular duties and which type of employees may be more exposed to hazards (by job function). The level of risk, records of significant findings and proposition of preventive actions are also highlighted, in addition to plans for regular review of the risk assessment. If applicable, the results of a health and safety risk assessment should be made available to relevant stakeholders such as employees, members of the health and safety committee , staff representatives, the occupational physicians, and labor inspectors.

Regular assessment (at least once a year) of individual performance

Information

The company carries out regular assessments or appraisal of individual performance at least on a yearly basis for employees

Guidance

The company has implemented regular assessment of employee performance. Regular assessments of employees aim to evaluate employee individual performance and productivity, combining both written and oral elements, and are based on a systematic and periodic process linked with a pre-established criteria and organizational objectives. The best practice concerning this criteria is to have a review with the employee at least annually, and to include employee self-assessments aimed at maintaining employee engagement in their own performance and overall organizational objectives. Setting and measuring goals related to the employee's career objectives, as well as including manager and peer feedback on the employee's performance are all important components in this regular assessment process.

Provision of skills development training

Information

The company provides training to its employees to develop their skills

Guidance

The company has implemented vocational training and instruction, which include skills development training, education paid for in whole or in part by the company, with the goal to provide opportunities for career advancement (Source: Global Reporting Initiative G3). Examples of on-the-job training to enhance employee skills are coaching, mentoring, job rotation, apprenticeships, etc. Total number of hours of training per employee per year can be a significant key performance indicator for this action.

Improvement Areas (6)



Policies

Medium

Inconclusive documentation for labor and human rights policies on some relevant issues [i.e. working conditions, career management & training, diversity, discrimination & harassment]

Information

The company has either provided no supporting documentation provided on policies, or provided commitments that do not cover all the major labor & human rights issues confronted by the company, or has provided supporting evidence that was not approved due to quality/acceptance requirements. e.g. company name, recent date (8 years).

Guidance

A standard labor and human rights policy includes commitments and/or operational objectives on the main labor and human rights risks the company faces. It is communicated to internal and external stakeholders through a formal dedicated document. A standard labor and human rights policy contains qualitative objectives/commitments specific to those issues. The policy should also incorporate some of the following elements: scope of application, allocation of responsibilities, quantitative objectives, and review mechanisms. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Actions

Low

No information on measures regarding diversity, discrimination, and harassment

Results

High

No information on reporting on labor & human rights issues

Low

No information on reporting on accident frequency rate

Low

No information on reporting on accident severity rate

Low

No information related to reporting on average training hours per employee

8. ETHICS

This theme focuses primarily on corruption and bribery issues, and also takes into account anticompetitive practices and responsible information management.

Ethics Score Breakdown

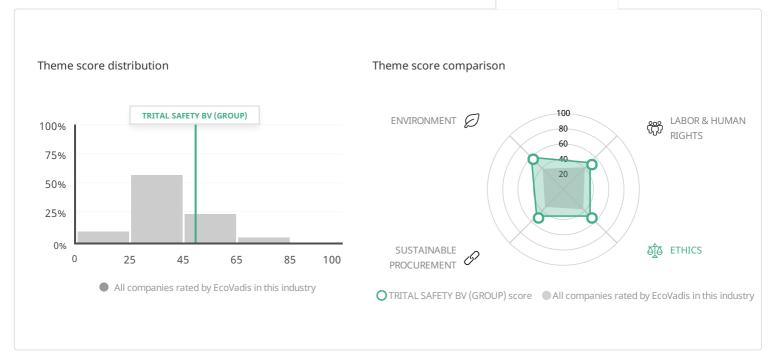












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Ethics: Strengths & Improvement Areas

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Ethics

Weight • • • •

Strengths (2)

Policies

Disciplinary sanctions to deal with policy violations

Information

There is evidence within the supporting documentation provided that the company has implemented structured mechanisms to deal with policy violations such as disciplinary actions.

Guidance

In order to ensure the adequate implementation of business ethcis policies, companies should establish procedures to administer investigations and sanction employees for eventual violations (i.e. disciplinary measures up to and including possible termination).

Policy on information security

Information

The company has issued a formal standard policy that integrates commitments in the form of qualitative objectives on information security issues. The policy is formalized in a document such as a Code of Ethics and includes at least some organizational elements (e.g. review process, dedicated responsibilities, scope of application).

Guidance

It is imperative for companies who manage sensitive information to set commitments on the protection and responsible management of third-party data. The security of third party data encompasses the protection of customer personal identification information (PII) and the protection of third party intellectual property rights. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Improvement Areas (3)

Policies



Inconclusive documentation for policies on corruption

Information

The company has either no supporting documentation on commitments on anticorruption & bribery issues, or company has provided supporting evidence that was not approved due to quality/acceptance requirements. e.g. company name, recent date (8 years).

Guidance

A standard policy on corruption & bribery issues is formalized as qualitative objectives/commitments in a formal policy document (e.g. Code of Ethics/Code of Conduct) on some of the following issues: corruption & bribery, conflict of interest, bribery and fraud. A standard policy also includes organizational elements (e.g. review process, dedicated responsibilities, scope of application). Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Actions



No information on measures to prevent corruption

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on concrete actions implemented to minimize the risks of corruption & bribery.

Guidance

Some examples of actions on this topic include: manager training on anticorruption policy, implementation of a whistleblowing procedure or regular internal compliance audits on corruption and bribery issues. Download the Howto Guide on this topic here (in English).





No information on measures regarding information security

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on actions implemented regarding information security

Guidance

Measure can be implemented to ensure information security, this includes protection of all external information, data, intellectual property and personal identification information (PII). Some examples of measures to ensure information security include but are not limited the following: incident response procedure (IRP), records retention schedule, waste anonymization, restrictions related to the type and quantity of confidential information collected and stored. Download the How-to Guide on this topic here.

9. SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT

This theme focuses on both social and environmental issues within the company supply chain.

Sustainable Procurement Score Breakdown

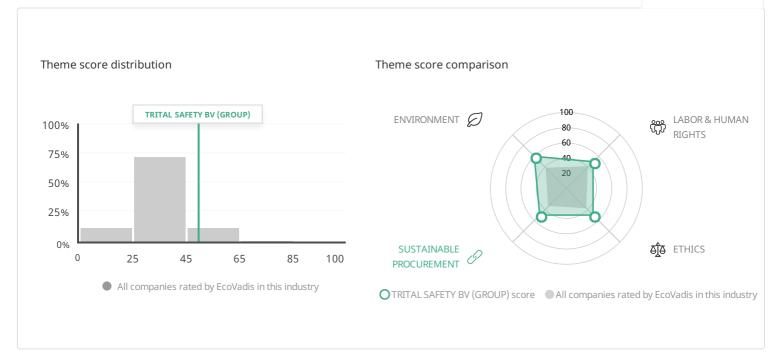












Sustainable Procurement: Activated Criteria

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Sustainable Procurement: Strengths & Improvement Areas

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Sustainable Procurement

Weight • • •

Strengths (3)

Policies

Endorsement of external initiative on sustainable procurement issues [i.e. Fair Wear Foundation]

Information

There is evidence of public adherence to an external initiative on sustainable procurement issues or membership in a voluntary initiative on sustainable procurement issues.

Guidance

An endorsement is a company's commitment to meeting objectives or principles that have been defined by external organizations. The company must be listed as an active member of the initiative website. Such initiatives can encompass many sustainable procurement issues, be specific, intergovernmental, multistakeholder, business-led, cross-sector or sector-specific. Examples include Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council, Sustainable Apparel Coalition, Bettercoal, Clean Shipping Network, Business Social Compliance Initiative (BSCI). etc.

Actions

Regular supplier assessment (e.g. questionnaire) on environmental or social practices

Information

The company provides evidence in supporting documentation of supplier assessments (in-house, 3rd party, or self-assessments) on environmental (including regulatory issues), social and/or ethical issues.

Guidance

Supplier CSR assessments are an effective way to obtain and validate pertinent information from suppliers on CSR issues to facilitate a better understanding of supplier performance. These are often requested by the company undergoing the EcoVadis evaluation to their own suppliers. CSR supplier assessments can be done through checklists, questionnaires or online forms and can be conducted by the client (undergoing the EcoVadis evaluation), a reliable third party or by the supplier itself. The objectives of such assessments are to identify general and sustainability-related practices as well to help identify high-risk suppliers and the need for further risk mitigation actions.

Results

Declares using no tin, tantalum, tungsten, gold, and/or their derivatives [Not verified]

Information

The company declares no use of tin, tantalum, tungsten, gold and/or their derivatives.

Guidance

Tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold (3TG) (often called 'Conflict Minerals'), are natural resources whose systematic exploitation and trade can result in serious violations or abuses of international human rights. The topic of sourcing from conflict zones such as the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has faced increasing attention in recent years from international government, industry and non-governmental groups with the aim of bringing about awareness and international legal frameworks on Conflict Minerals. In July 2010, in response to these concerns, the United States Congress enacted legislation that requires certain public companies to publicly disclose their use of conflict minerals emanating from the DRC and nine adjoining countries. Section 1502 of the Dodd Frank Act requires companies to disclose if any of the 3TG minerals are "necessary to the functionality or production of a product" manufactured by those companies. Although the law is restricted to companies listed on a U.S. Stock Exchange, transparency on due diligence mechanisms has become necessary for a range of companies in the value chain in order to trace back the origin of the minerals (e.g. 1st tier, 2nd tier suppliers) and respond to their client's inquiries. Various industry groups such as the Conflict-Free Sourcing Initiative (GeSI and EICC) have developed reporting templates and programs intended to support companies in their public declarations on Conflict Minerals.

Improvement Areas (5)



Policies



Inconclusive documentation on sustainable procurement policies

Information

There is no formal policy on sustainable procurement issues in the supporting documentation provided by the company, or company has provided supporting evidence that was not approved due to quality/acceptance requirements. e.g. company name, recent date (8 years).

Guidance

A standard sustainable procurement policy integrates commitments and/or operational objectives on all material sourcing risks the company faces. It is communicated to internal and external stakeholders through a formal dedicated document (e.g. Sustainable Purchasing Policy). Download the How-to Guide on this topic here (in English).

Actions



No information on a supplier CSR code of conduct

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on a supplier CSR code of conduct.

Guidance

A supplier CSR code of Conduct outlines the company's expectations on their suppliers' practices on the following topics: responsible environmental management, implementation of safe working conditions, treatment of their employees with respect and dignity, and ethical business practices. It can also include information on how the Code will be monitored and reviewed and how violations of the Code will be handled.



No information on social or environmental clauses being included in supplier contracts

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on the social or environmental clauses being included in supplier contract $\,$

Guidance

Provisions/clauses in business contracts that cover social & environmental issues which are not directly connected to the subject matter of the specific contract. It's a tool defining the behaviour/setting the expectations and for engaging with suppliers on sustainability. Commercial legal contract between the company and its supplier, usually mention termination of contract when expectations concerning CSR issues are not met.



No information on CSR risk analysis being conducted (i.e. prior to supplier assessments or audits)

Information

No company declaration and no evidence within the supporting documentation on the $\mathsf{CSR}\,\mathsf{risk}$ analysis being conducted

Guidance

CSR risk mapping allows companies to identify, prevent and reduce social and environmental risks in the supply chain. The company can conduct a CSR risk mapping of its suppliers based on criteria such as procurement category, geographical presence of suppliers and total spend. CSR risk mapping is done before deciding to carry out assessments or audits in order to select which suppliers should receive assessments or audits.

Results



No information on reporting on sustainable procurement issues

10. 360° WATCH FINDINGS

23 February 2021

No records found for this company on
Compliance Database
null

→ No score impact

360° Watch Findings comprise relevant public information about companies' sustainability practices that have been identified via more than 2,500 data sources (including NGOs, press and trade unions). 360° Watch Findings are incorporated into the EcoVadis assessment and can have positive, negative or no score impact.

EcoVadis is connected to the following international sources:

- Sustainability networks and initiatives (e.g. AccountAbility, Business for Social Responsability, CSR Europe)
- Trade unions and employers' organizations
- International organization (e.g. United Nations, European Court of Human Rights, Global Compact, International Labor Organization, World Bank)
- NGOs (e.g. China Labor Watch, Greenpeace, WWF, Movimento Difesa del Cittadino)
- Research institutes and specialized press (e.g. CSR Asia, Blacksmith Institute, Corpwatch)

11. SPECIFIC COMMENTS

Additional comments from our analysts pertaining to the assessment.

Specific comments

No records found in third party risk and compliance database.	
Despite the company implementing measures regarding environmental issues, policies are not formalized or are only basic.	
Despite the company implementing measures regarding labor & human rights issues, policies are not formalized or are only basic.	
There is a lack of reporting on KPIs regarding labor & human rights issues.	
There is a lack of reporting on KPIs regarding ethics issues.	

12. CONTACT US

Any questions or need help? Visit our Help Center at support.ecovadis.com

APPENDIX:

INDUSTRY RISK PROFILE

Discover the primary sustainability risks, regulations, hot topics and best practices related to specific industries.

EcoVadis determines industry based on the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC), which is a compilation of all global economic activities published by the United Nations Statistical Commission. Its main purpose is to provide a set of activity categories that can be utilized for the collection and reporting of statistics according to such activities.

It is possible that a company has operations in more than one industry. In these cases, EcoVadis classifies companies based on their main area of operation, as determined by sustainability risk and/or total revenue.



CRITERIA ACTIVATION BY THEME:

Discover the primary sustainability risks, regulations, hot topics and best practices related to specific industries.



Medium Energy consumption & GHGs

Non-activated Water

Non-activated Biodiversity

Non-activated Local & Accidental Pollution

Medium Materials, Chemicals & Waste

Non-activated Product Use

Non-activated Product End-of-Life

High Customer Health & Safety

Medium Environmental Services & Advocacy

Labor & Human Rights



High Employee Health & Safety

Medium Working Conditions

Medium Social Dialogue

Medium Career Management & Training

Non-activated Child Labor, Forced Labor & Human Trafficking

Medium Diversity, Discrimination & Harassment

High External Stakeholder Human Rights

Ethics න්ර

Medium Corruption



Non-activated Anticompetitive Practices

Non-activated Responsible Information Management

Sustainable Procurement





Supplier Environmental Practices



Supplier Social Practices

KEY SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES

Find qualitative explanations of the key sustainability issues and risk associated with Wholesale of other machinery and equipment



Environment

Importance

Sustainability issue

Medium

Energy consumption & GHGs

Definition

Energy consumption (e.g. electricity, fuel, renewable energies) used during operations and transport. Greenhouse gases direct and indirect emissions including CO2, CH4, N2O, HFC, PFC and SF6. Also includes production of renewable energy by the company.

Medium

Materials, Chemicals & Waste

Definition

Consumption of all types of raw materials and chemicals. Non-hazardous and hazardous waste generated from operations. Also includes air emissions other than GHG (e.g. SOx, NOx).

High

Customer Health & Safety

Definition

Negative health and safety impacts of products and services on customers or consumers.

Medium

Environmental Services & Advocacy

Definition

Programs implemented to promote the sustainable consumption of their own products or services among their customer base. This criteria includes the positive/negative indirect impacts of the use of products and services.



Labor & Human Rights

Importance

Sustainability issue



Employee Health & Safety

Definition

Deals with health and safety issues encountered by employees at work i.e. during operations and transport. Includes both physiological and psychological issues arising from, among others, dangerous equipment, work practices and hazardous substance.





Working Conditions

Definition

Deals with working hours, remunerations and social benefits granted to employees.



Social Dialogue

Definition

Deals with structured social dialogue i.e. social dialog deployed through recognized employee representatives and collective bargaining.



Career Management & Training

Definition

Deals with main career stages i.e. recruitment, evaluation, training and management of layoffs.



Diversity, Discrimination & Harassment

Definition

Deals with discrimination and harassment prevention at the workplace. Discrimination is defined as different treatment given to people in hiring, remuneration, training, promotion, termination; based on race, national origin, religion, disability, gender, sexual orientation, union membership, political affiliation or age. Harassment may include physical, psychological and verbal abuse in the work environment.



External Stakeholder Human Rights

Definition

Deals with the prevention of direct and indirect human rights impacts of the companys operations on external stakeholders. External stakeholder human rights include any of the inherent rights outlined in the UN Universal Declaration on Human Rights, such as rights to property/land, rights to self-determination, rights to safety/security etc.

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Ethics

Importance

Sustainability issue

Medium

Corruption

Definition

Deals with all forms of corruption issues at work, including among other things extortion, bribery, conflict of interest, fraud, money laundering.





Sustainable Procurement

Importance

Sustainability issue



Supplier Environmental Practices

Definition

Deals with environmental issues within the supply chain i.e. environmental impacts generated from the suppliers and subcontractors own operations and products.



Supplier Social Practices

Definition

Deals with labor practices and human rights issues within the supply chain i.e. labor practices and human rights issues generated from the suppliers and subcontractors own operations or products.



Sustainability KPIs Overview

KPI	All companies rated by EcoVadis in this industry
Active whistleblowing procedure in place	34%
Audit or assessment of suppliers on CSR issues	30%
Carbon disclosure project (CDP) respondent	6%
Global Compact Signatory	10%
ISO 14001 certified (at least one operational site)	32%
OHSAS 18001/ISO 45001 certification or equivalent (at least one operational site)	21%
Policy on sustainable procurement issues	22%
Reporting on energy consumption or GHGs	30%
Reporting on health & safety indicators	24%

Main Regulations and Initiatives

World Fair Trade Organization

http://www.wfto.com/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1

Developing the WFTO Fair Trade System as an affordable guarantee system focused on organizational Fair Trade compliance



RoHS II

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/european-standards/harmonised-stan dards/restriction-of-hazardous-substances/index_en.htm



The RoHS directive restricts the use of six hazardous materials in the manufacture of various types of electronic and electrical equipment.



International Partnership for Premiums and Gifts (IPPAG)Cooperative Code of Conduct

http://www.ippag.net/corporatecitizenship

IPPAG Cooperative is made up of over 20 market leading promotional item wholesalers and distributors spread across the world



SA8000

http://www.sa-intl.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.ViewPage&PageID=937

Social certification standards for decent workplaces, across all industrial sectors.



Standard ISO 14000 (International Standard Organisation)

http://www.iso.org/iso/iso 14000 essentials

The ISO 14000 family addresses various aspects of environmental management



REACH

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/reach/reach_intro.htm



Regulatory

The European Union regulation REACH (18 December 2006) encourages manufacturers and importers of "Substances of Very High Concern" to pre-register them.



Energy Star

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=find a product.

Provides a system for rating the energy efficiency of products

Environment

Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturer's Association, USA

http://www.bifma.org/?page=JoinUslI

Not-for-profit trade association involving standards development and maintenance of office furniture product safety and performance standards



GS1

http://www.gs1.org/about/overview

GS1 is an international not-for-profit association working towards improving the efficiency and visibility of supply and demand chains globally and across sectors



Universal Declaration of Human Rights

http://www.un.org/Overview/rights.html



Regulatory

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) is an advisory declaration adopted by the United Nations General Assembly (10 December 1948)



International Labor Organization's Fundamental Conventions

http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---ed_norm/---declaration/documen ts/publication/wcms 095895.pdf



The Governing Body of the International Labour Office has identified eight Conventions as fundamental to the rights of human beings at work. These rights are a precondition for 12 the others in that they provide a necessary framework from which to strive freely for the improvement of individual and collective conditions of work.



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Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977

http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fraud/fcpa/



The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) prohibits payments, gifts, or Practices Act contributions to officials or employees of any foreign government or government-owned business for the purpose of getting or retaining business.



United Nations Global Compact (10 principles)

 $\underline{\text{http://www.unglobalcompact.org/AboutTheGC/TheTenPrinciples/index.html}}$

The Global Compact asks companies to embrace, support and enact, within their sphere of influence, a set of ten principles in the areas of human rights, labour standards, the environment, and anti-corruption:



Standard Global Reporting Initiative's (GRI)

http://www.globalreporting.org/Home

The GRI is a network-based organization, that has set out the principles and indicators that organizations can use to measure and report their economic, environmental, and social performance.



Carbon disclosure project

https://www.cdp.net

CDP is an international, not-for-profit organization providing the only global system for companies and cities to measure, disclose, manage and share vital environmental information.



Standard OHSAS 18001 (Occupational Health and Safety **Assessment Series)**

http://www.ohsas-18001-occupational-health-and-safety.com/index.htm

OHSAS 18000 is an international occupational health and safety management system specification.



United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC)

http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/index.html



Regulatory

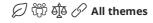
The UNCAC is the first leg12y binding international anti-corruption instrument. In its 8 Chapters and 71 Articles, the UNCAC obliges its States Parties to implement a wide and detailed range of anti-corruption measures affecting their laws, institutions and practices.



OECD guidelines for multinational enterprises

http://www.oecd.org/about/0,2337,en 2649 34889 1 1 1 1 1,00.html

The Guidelines are recommendations addressed by governments to multinational enterprises operating in or from adhering countries. They provide voluntary principles and standards for responsible business conduct in a variety of areas including employment and industrial relations, human rights, environment, information disclosure, combating bribery, consumer interests, science and technology, competition, and



Standard ISO 26000 (International Standard Organisation)

http://www.iso.org/iso/pressrelease.htm?refid=Ref972

The future International Standard ISO 26000, Guidance on social responsibility, will provide harmonized, glob12y relevant guidance based on international consensus among expert representatives of the main stakeholder groups and so encourage the implementation of best practice in social responsibility worldwide.

