

# Corporate Sustainability Reporting

Consulting Services



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Intertek supports your organization with Corporate Sustainability solutions that transform values and ambitions into tangible, profitable results. With our integral approach through assessment, sustainable strategy and implementation we assist you in aligning business systems with your company's vision of sustainability and embed it into every part of your business.

Intertek Corporate Sustainability Services enable you to:

- Improve resource efficiency & productivity
- Aid corporate image and brand value
- Demonstrate regulatory compliance
- Mitigate operational risk
- Stay ahead of reporting trends

Is your company struggling with the challenges and opportunities presented by the complex world of corporate citizenship?



### Global Reporting Initiative

GRI is now the most widely used sustainability reporting framework. Whilst the GRI Guidelines seek to enhance comparability between reports through encouraging the use of common indicators, it can also incorporate flexibility so that organisations can take steps to reflect the context in which they operate. The GRI Guidelines can also be used with a more informal approach consistent with organisation's capacity. The organisation

may choose to cover only some of the content in working towards improving their reporting. With this in mind, organisations are also asked to clearly indicate how they have used the GRI Guidelines and in particular, the core indicators. With time and practice, organisations are encouraged to move gradually towards more comprehensive reporting built on the content of the GRI framework.

### Potential benefits

- The GRI Guidelines provide a holistic framework that addresses broad performance – social, environmental and economic – as to how an organisation is reporting to stakeholders.
- They guide an organisation's approach to 'proving' its impact.
- GRI is used widely internationally as a generally accepted reporting framework and, as such, provides a method for increased comparability.
- Organisations can use GRI reporting to help measure and benchmark performance, both against their own targets and externally. Management can use the GRI indicators

to encourage employees to understand and contribute to progressively better performance.

- The Guidelines are flexible and can be used in different sectors and geographical contexts.
- The Guidelines support and integrate other tools such as Social Accounting and the AA1000 Series

Openly communicating this accountability to stakeholders can build trust and support, enhancing your company's reputation. Working with an independent body reassures stakeholders that the information is accurate and free of bias. Beyond verifying report data, independent assurance also ensures that the right kind of information is communicated.

### Current Situation

In recent years, corporate environmental and social responsibility has risen to the forefront of company concerns. Increases in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) investment, more scrutiny of corporate governance and a greater demand for transparency now means that Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainable Development issues have gained a firm place on the agenda of Boards and senior management worldwide. New legislation and voluntary standards are continually introduced to ensure companies are made accountable for their impact on the environment and society at large.

### The Solution

Our range of service includes:

- Corporate Carbon Footprint Support
- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Assistance
- Corporate Environmental, Social and Economic Data Verification
- Sustainability Reporting Assurance (GRI Assurance)
- Corporate Sustainability Program Development

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