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HOW THE EU REGULATES THE CLIMATE CRISIS: Legal Responses to ESG and Climate Challenges



AUDIENCE

Legal professionals,
corporate
executives,
compliance officers,
ESG leads, risk
managers and
financial services
professionals



DURATION

Half day
(2-4 hours,
depending on
desired depth)



FORMAT

Interactive expert-
led workshop with
group discussions
legal case
illustrations



MATERIALS

Slide deck
EU ESG legal
framework
summary
Case law and
enforcement trend
handout

This seminar will provide the latest updates on the EU ESG regulatory frameworks, enforcement trends and litigation risks.

Sample Agenda

This training is designed to foster engagement and interaction among participants, ensuring that they all leave with a clear understanding of the directive and actionable insights for your company.

It can be adapted to your company's individual needs as every training includes a video (call) to optimize the training. For an optimal learning effect, we recommend face-to-face training, however, trainings can also be held online.

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM | Setting the Scene: Climate Crisis and Regulatory Momentum

- The scientific and legal rationale behind regulating the climate crisis
- Climate change as a systemic risk to markets, rights and institutions
- Why the EU leads globally in ESG and climate legislation
- The European Green Deal and Fit-for-55 Package: Policy context

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM | Key EU ESG Instruments Addressing the Climate Crisis

- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (**CSRD**):
Reporting scope, mandatory assurance, climate disclosure standards & recent and upcoming changes
- Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (**SFDR**):
How financial actors must report climate risks and sustainability impacts
- Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (**CSDDD**):
Scope, environmental due diligence, liability exposure & upcoming changes
- Green Claims Directive: Combatting greenwashing and deceptive sustainability marketing
- Case Study: Greenwashing enforcement and litigation in the EU

3:30 PM – 3:45 PM | Break

3:45 PM – 4:30 PM | Legal Risks, Enforcement & Strategic Response

- Climate litigation trends in Europe
- Emerging liabilities for directors and companies
- NGO and investor strategies: reputational risks and legal pressure
- Mitigation: Compliance best practices and governance adjustments
- Practical tools: Legal risk mapping and policy alignment

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM | Final Reflections and Strategic Q&A

- Your organization's position in the new climate and ESG legal landscape
- Key takeaways for in-house counsel and decision-makers
- Recommended next steps: readiness checks, legal horizon scanning
- Open Q&A tailored to participant questions



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benefits from over 20 years as an EU regulatory lawyer gained in seven jurisdictions (including Brussels, the UK & Germany), in international private practice, academia (e.g. MIT) & international organizations (European Commission & OECD).

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