

# Driving Engagement and Decision-Making on Sustainability and Climate

MSCI's tools and services for companies





# Measure, monitor and manage your company's sustainability risks and opportunities

To effectively access the growing market of sustainability and climate finance, companies need robust assessments to demonstrate their progress and performance. They need insights to craft a compelling narrative that showcase their achievements and ambitions in tackling sustainability issues. Whether the company is seeking to access capital from investors and lenders, or considering corporate liquidity events, reliable and timely data is required to track progress, report results, and compare your company's performance with industry peers.

With more than four decades of experience, MSCI ESG Research offers solutions designed to enhance decision-making. You can use our sustainability and climate tools and services to help your company to efficiently measure performance and connect with the financial ecosystem. For companies in search of value, our expertise in providing robust tools and services can help provide the clarity needed to navigate your sustainability journey.

### We offer tools and services designed to help you to:

Benchmark sustainability and climate disclosures and performance versus peers and industry best practices Engage with the MSCI ESG Research team about our publicly available models and ratings to gain deeper insight into our data

Showcase your sustainability profile with investors through Provisional ESG Ratings or Second-Party Opinions

Deepen your understanding of Carbon Markets

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# How we can help

# Benchmarking and industry best practices

### MSCI Corporate Sustainability Insights (CSI)

Measure and compare sustainability and climate data about your company against its peers, while identifying potential disclosure gaps through intuitive charts, graphs, and maps. Gain access to MSCI ESG Research's database of ESG Ratings and climate data across more than 10,000 public companies\*. MSCI ESG Research is one of the largest providers of ESG data and analysis to public companies.

### **Engaging with industry experts**

## MSCI Corporate Sustainability Insights Plus (CSI Plus)

Deepen your understanding of the MSCI ESG Ratings methodology and process and gain insights when you need them. This service includes the data insights of the CSI solution as well as provides opportunities to communicate with MSCI ESG Research to help you enhance your understanding of the key drivers behind ESG Ratings and your company's positioning against industry best practices.

# Assessing sustainability performance

### **MSCI Provisional ESG Ratings**

Provisional ESG Ratings are intended to help privately held companies and non-rated issuers understand how they would be assessed by MSCI ESG Research and assigned an MSCI ESG Rating if they were part of MSCI's standard coverage universe. Provisional ESG Ratings can help with internal baselining, marketing purposes or support corporate activities such as IPOs, spin-offs or private sales. An assessment could be beneficial to non-rated companies aspiring to obtain information to help their efforts to establish credibility and attract investors.

\* Source MSCI's Quarterly Investor Deck, page 42

Want to learn more about how MSCI can help you advance your sustainability strategy?

### **Supporting corporate climate commitments**

### **MSCI Carbon Markets**

Use our carbon markets data and analytics to bolster all aspects of your climate strategy. Our solution is designed to harness the potential of carbon markets, offering carbon credit integrity and risk assessment, price discovery, forecasting and key policy tracking. We enable you to ensure cost-effective credit procurement, simplify efforts to complete disclosure requirements and connect your company's carbon credit strategies with your company's broader sustainability goals.

### **Sustainable corporate financing**

### **Sustainability-linked financing**

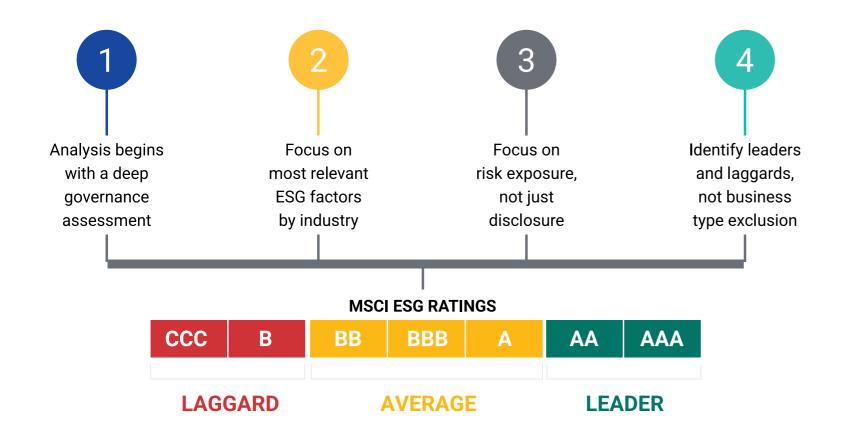
For companies seeking to borrow funds — and financial institutions aiming to lend them — successfully tapping into the sustainability-linked financing market can hinge on the quality of their sustainability data. Corporate issuers can license MSCI ESG Ratings and the underlying data to help them to promote a debt offering or utilize the data as a key performance indicator (KPI) for a sustainability-linked loan.

### **Second-Party Opinions (SPOs)**

Assess the alignment of your green, social, or sustainable debt financing framework or related transactions through MSCI ESG Research's Second-Party Opinion solution, which considers alignment with International Capital Market Association (ICMA) or Loan Market Association (LMA) standards as well as the MSCI Labeled Bond and Loan Assessment Methodology.

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# How do MSCI ESG Ratings work?



We use an objective, rules-based methodology to identify industry leaders and laggards. We rate companies on a

'AAA to CCC' scale according to their exposure to ESG risks and how well they manage those risks relative to peers.

We rate over 17,500 companies (issuers including subsidiaries).\*

We collect thousands of data points for each company which make up the underlying data of key issues. We have determined a handful of key issues to be financially relevant for each industry.

MSCI ESG Ratings are designed to help identify ESG risks and opportunities.

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