ESG sub committee

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IMIA ESG committee



IMIA ESG committee is assisting you in the ESG landscape





European Union Green deal - CSRD – Corporate Sustainibility Reporting Directive

On 5 January 2023 the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) entered into force.

The Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) is the new EU legislation requiring all large companies to publish regular **reports on their environmental and social impact activities.**

European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) issued in July 2023

More industry specific standards to be issued in 2024

INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE COMPANIES HAVE TO BE READY TO REPORT ON ESG TOPICS NEXT YEAR



1 - Objectives of the IMIA ESG Committee @ September 2022



► Guidance tools

Proposed Actions



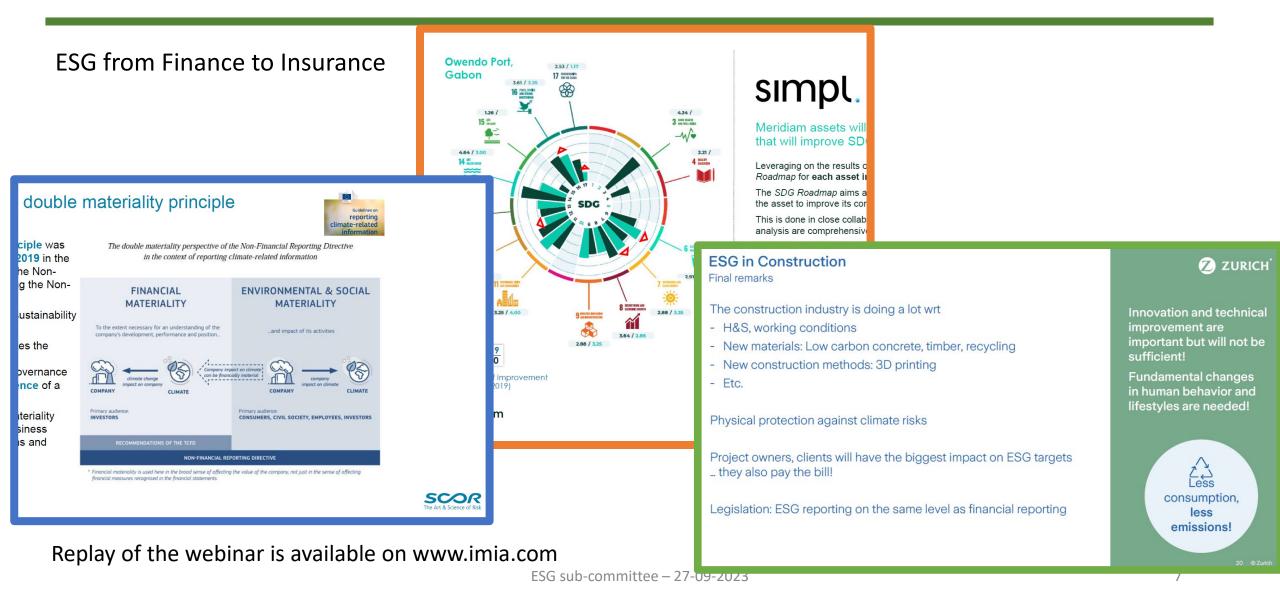
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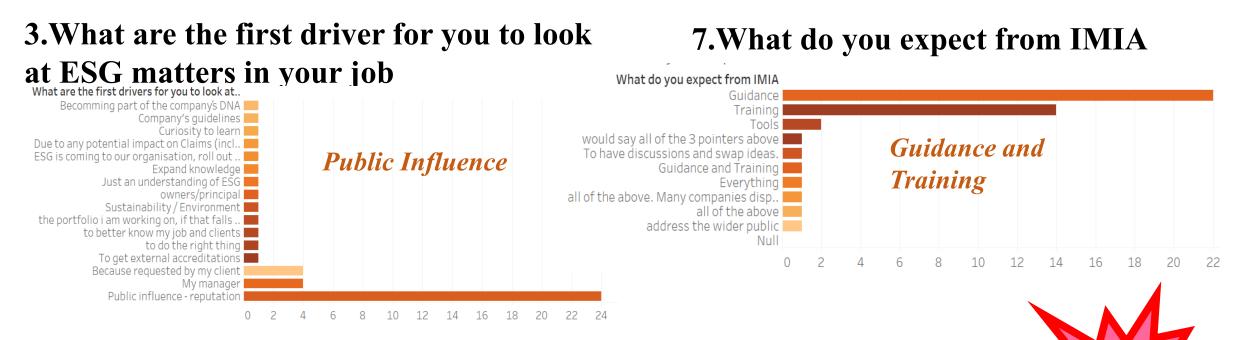


1 - A webinar on ESG on 19th December 2022 (~100 attendees)



1 - Questionnaire to the C&E insurance community in December 2022*





8. How do you think you can influence the wellbeing of planet and people in your job?

"A single stick can break easily. But if we bundle a bunch of sticks together, it will stand up!" "Be open to the use of sustainable materials, renewable resources and reduction of fossil fuels in construction".

An underwriter

*46 responses > 36 UWs



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Scope of the paper

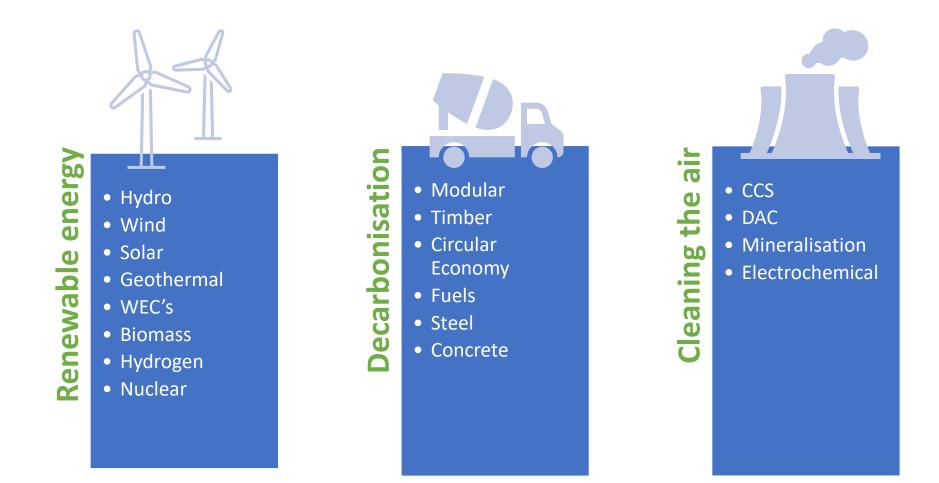
Global efforts to accelerate decarbonisation to reach net-zero targets by 2050 will lead to increased demand for risk-transfer.

The paper provides construction and engineering underwriters with a high-level overview of the:

- Challenges
- Opportunities
- Insurance implications of the energy transition
- Signposting specific IMIA papers and external resources on technical topics.

John Kerry: 50% carbon emission cuts to come from technology 'we don't yet have'

WEF: "What are some of the innovations that could become game changers in achieving net zero?"







P1. Renewable Energy Production

- Turbines getting bigger Higher radial velocity - Blade degradation
- Building fabric integrated photovoltaics
- Floating solar
- Hydrogen Most significant growth area

EMERGING AND UNKNOWN

- Ocean WEC's
- Biological systems such as algae/lipids
- BESS
- Smart and local grids with AI
- Organic Solar Cells
- 50% yet to be invented!

P2. Decarbonisation of the construction process and supply chain

KNOWN

- Frame construction
- BIM
- Modular / prefabrication
- Plant and Equipment

EMERGING AND UNKNOWN

- Mass Timber e.g. CLT
- Low carbon concrete
- Green steel
- Circular economy
 - Reduce
 - Re-use / refurbish
 - Decarbonise
 - Dismantle and recycle

P3. Cleaning the atmosphere.

1. CCS

2. DAC

- 3. Electrochemical CO₂ removal
- 4. Carbon mineralisation



Next steps/Thoughts:

- Insurers need to play a role
- It needs to be equitable
- We need to be quicker to identify technology, materials, processes that are being commercialized... and study the risks in depth



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3. ESG : a guide for Construction and Engineering underwriters

A paper based on 2 robust guidance documents :

ISO 26000:2010[®] Guidance on Social Responsibility

7 core subjects:

- 6.2 Organizational Governance
- 6.3 Human Rights
- 6.4 Labour Practices
- 6.5 The environment
- 6.6 Fair operating practices
- 6.7 Consumer issues
- 6.8 Community involvement and development

PSI ESG Guide for Non-Life Insurance Version 1.0 – June 2020 Managing environmental, social and governance risks in non-life insurance business

- Principle 1: Embed ESG in decision making
- **Principle 2:** Raise awareness with our clients and partners
- **Principle 3:** Work with governments, regulators... to promote widespread action
- **Principle 4:** Demonstrate accountability and transparency in disclosing ESG topics

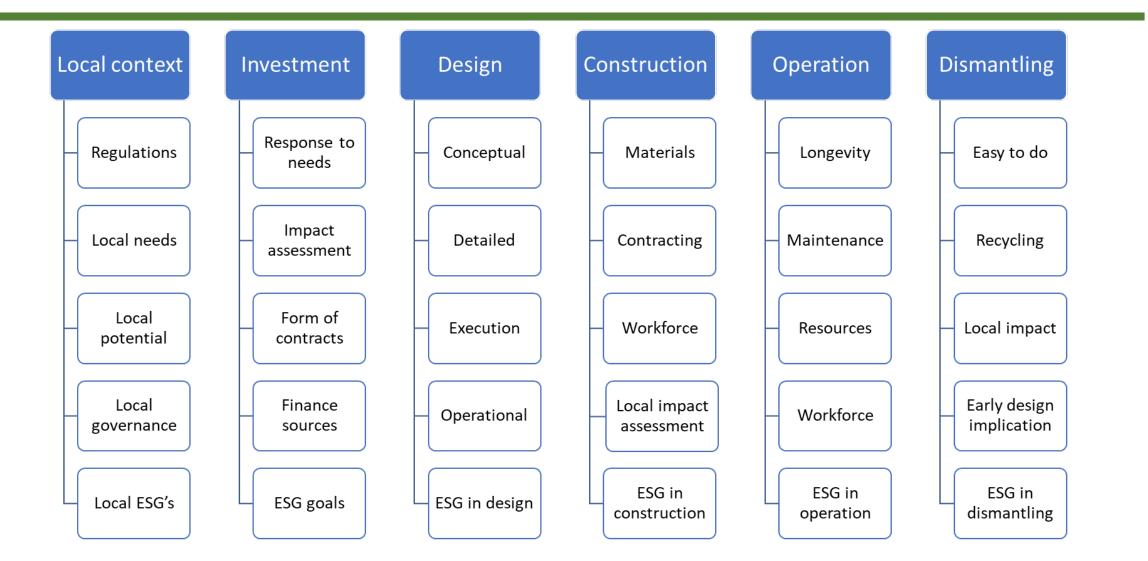


3. 8 topics relevant to construction projects

ENVIRONMENT			
1. Climate Change	2.Environmental pollution and degradation	3. Circular economy	4. Biodiversity
SOCIAL		GOVERNANCE	
5. Labor Practice	6. Community involvement and development	7. Organization / Governance around the ESG topics	8. Fair operating practice



4. User guidance : phases and stakeholders





- Issue Exposed / No issue Not exposed
- Considered / Measured / Reported.

How to measure the topics?

4. User guidance

When to use it?

Qualitative statements

- Not considered / Mitigated / Offset
- Noncertified / Engaged in certification / Certified

Grading

Underwriting stage - Risk surveys - Claims review

Poor – fair – good – excellent Low – medium – high – very high N/A - not compliant -partially – fully

Other metrics imposed by local reporting standards ?



ENVIRONMENT

1. Climate Change

GHG emission

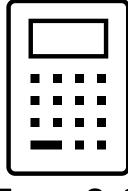
- Able to measure emissions and reporting.
- Reducing as much as possible GHG emission
- Improve efficiency to reduce emission.
- Offset the remaining (Carbon capture)

Transition to net zero GHG emissions

Decarbonization plans / Targets

Adaptation to extreme weather events (so called climate risks)

 Risk mitigation adapted to extreme weather events outside the norm at the project location, the production facilities of material and machinery suppliers.







ENVIRONMENT

2. Environmental pollution and degradation (outside GHG emissions)

Air

- Particulate matter
- Other air polluting gases

Noise

Measuring noise / reducing noise

Water

- Pollution of water
- Reduce use of water
- Treatment of wastewater



Soil

- Soil pollution
- Use of existing land footprint
- Unconventional mining practices
- Dumping or treatment of waste



ENVIRONMENT

3. Circular economy

- Recycle material from demolition, concrete aggregates, steel.
- Reuse of water
- Waste management

4. Biodiversity

- Do not touch Protected sites and species (keep as it is)
 - List of the United Nations protected sites.
 - \circ List of protected species
- Limit and compensate Deforestation.
- Protection of species
- Protection of animals
- Reducing the loss of biodiversity



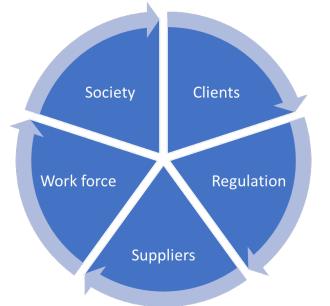
SOCIAL

5. Labor Practice

- Health and Safety at work Poor workers safety records
- Violation of worker's rights
- Human development and training in the workplace

6. Community involvement and development

- Forced resettlement how the land has been purchased.
- How the local community is involved in the workforce during construction and operation.
- How much infrastructure improvement is done for the local community.
- How much positive impact the Project will have on the local community (on improving health access to welfare technology...)





GOVERNANCE

- 7. Continuous application of ESG criteria throughout the lifecycle of a project:.
 - Collection and evaluation of ESG relevant data and information
 - Improvement and mitigation strategies
 - Reporting
 - Application of ESG standards to subcontractors and suppliers.

8. Fair operating practice

- Bribery and corruption: Identify risks, train employees, channel to report violations.
- Corporate governance: Anti-competitive practices, violation of anti-trust laws
- Fair competition: Promoting social responsibility on the value chain.



The IMIA ESG web page

Awareness

Existing Standards

What is the construction Industry doing?

New technologies for Energy transition

2022 webinars

A guide for Construction & Engineering UWs on ESG assessment

> *Calculate CO2 emission of a Project*

NO U ESG and Internal decisions *Some KPIs to follow? ESG and reporting to third parties Non-financial reporting*



• Continue watching good practice in the construction industry

• Continue watching evolution of standards and relevance to Construction and Engineering Insurance

• Share knowledge via Webinars and short papers



Questions and Answers



THANK YOU

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