ESG Reporting Global Insights 2022

Current challenges, planned investments and technology opportunities



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Introduction

What we were looking to find out:

With new environmental, social and governance (ESG) **reporting mandates in force**, businesses face an ongoing **challenge** of collaborating across departments to consolidate disparate financial and non-financial data.

With the pressure mounting from **governments, consumers** and **shareholders** alike, meeting **regulatory requirements** is only the start.

Based on in-depth global research, this report explores **how businesses are approaching** the task of effectively updating their stakeholders. It investigates their **key challenges, potential opportunities, and the positives** of getting reporting right.

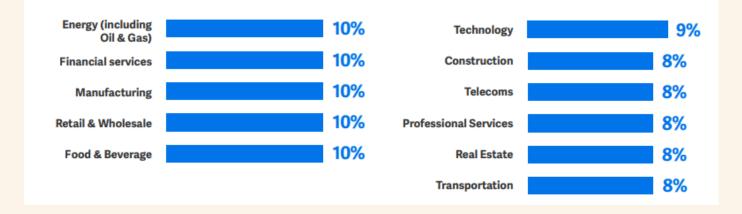
Full Report available to download at <u>workiva.com/resources/global-survey-reports-esg</u>



Background info

Who we surveyed:

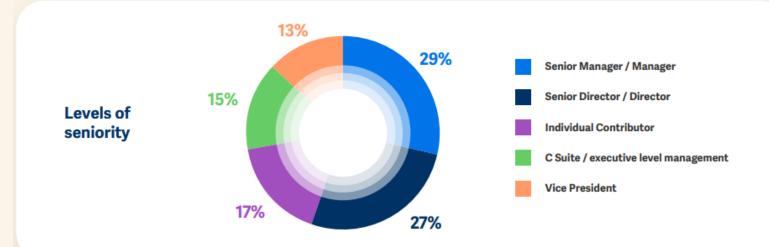
- Workiva commissioned **Coleman Parkes, an independent research agency**, specializing in B2B technology, to conduct primary research amongst relevant businesses
- In total, **1,300 respondents** were surveyed via an online methodology between 14th **April** 6th **May** 2022
- All research participants had at least some stake in their organization's **ESG reporting and strategy** as part of their job responsibilities, with 66% saying ESG formed a majority of their responsibilities and 34% saying it formed a portion of their responsibilities.
- Participants were drawn from **businesses of 250+ employees** and all businesses fell within one of the following **industries**:
 Within which sector does your organization primarily operate?



Background info

Research was conducted in 13 global markets (with an even split of 100 surveys in each market)



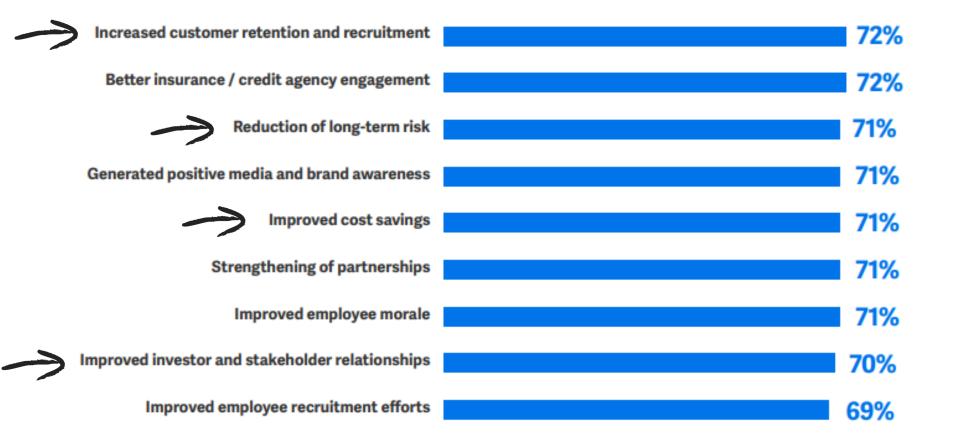


5 key findings:

- ESG reporting has generated a **positive impact** across customer retention and recruitment (72%), cost savings (71%), insurance or credit agency engagement (71%), and reduced long-term risk (71%)
- 63% of decision makers currently feel **unprepared to meet their ESG goals** and government and regulatory reporting mandates.
- **Environmental issues** are their biggest concern with their top two challenges being related to this area: calculating carbon accounting level data and greenhouse gas protocols for Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions.
- 76% of decision makers believe **technology is important** to compiling and collaborating on ESG data.
- Only 35% believe they can use technology and data very well to make decisions on advancing ESG strategy.

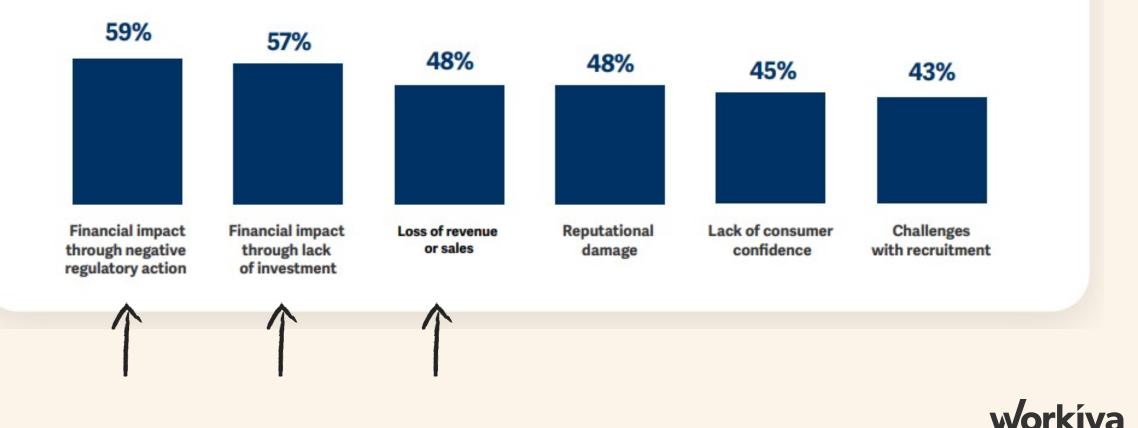


Has ESG reporting already generated any of the below opportunities for your organization?

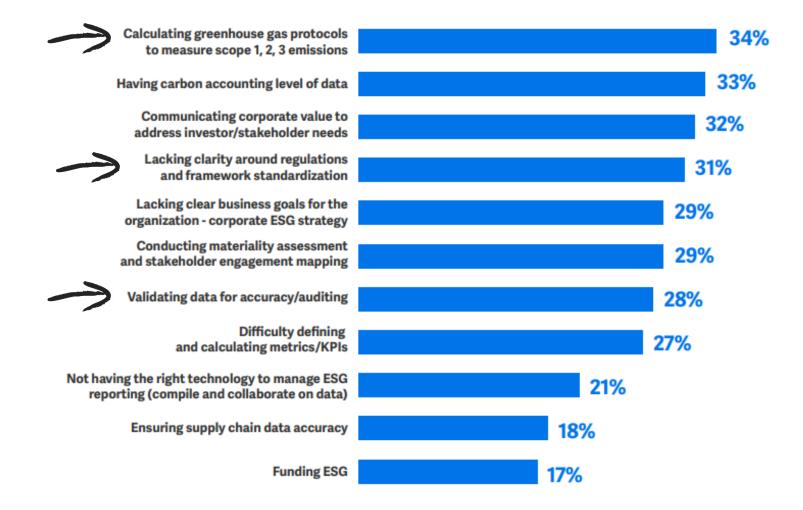




Within the next 3 years, what do you believe would have the biggest impact if your organization fails to comply with ESG regulations?



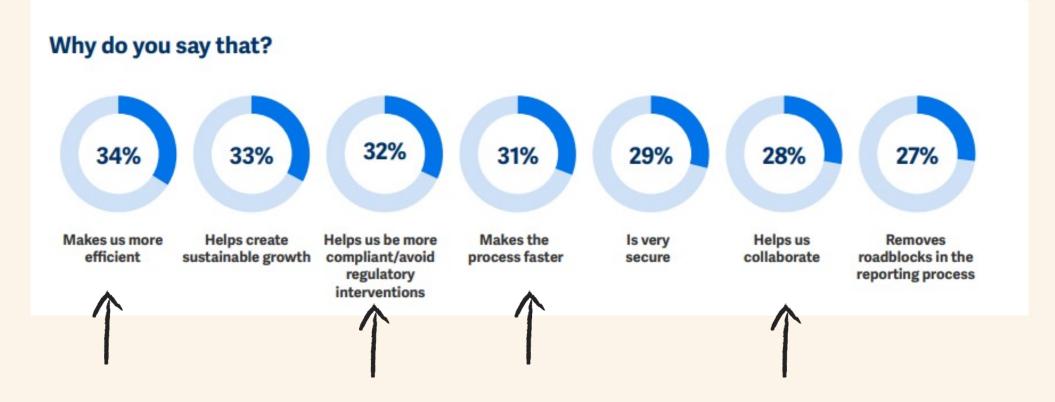
Please rank the 3 biggest challenges for your organization regarding ESG reporting?



How important or unimportant is technology to addressing each of the following issues?

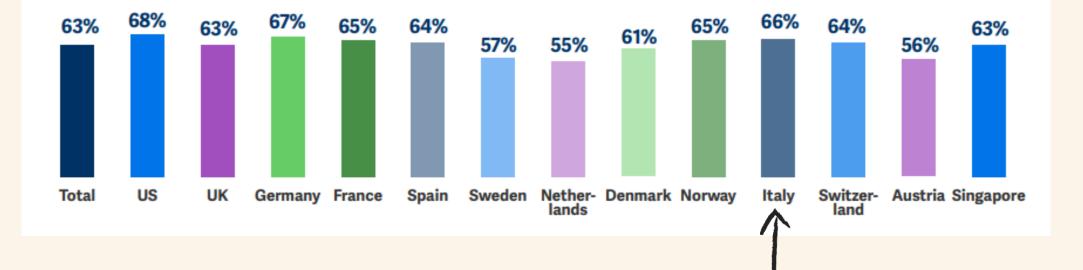
Manning disclosures to partilations and	
Mapping disclosures to regulations and framework standards	85%
Supporting ratings investor, customer RFPs, and stakeholder questionnaire responses	84%
Board and executive reporting	83%
Having carbon accounting level of data	83%
Conducting materiality assessment and stakeholder engagement mapping	82%
Defining and calculating metrics/KPIs	82%
Ensuring supply chain data accuracy	81%
Calculating greenhouse gas protocols to measure scope 1, 2, 3 emissions	80%
Validating data for accuracy/auditing	80%
Compiling and collaborating on ESG data	76%

ESG decision makers acknowledge a wide range of benefits to having the right technology in place:

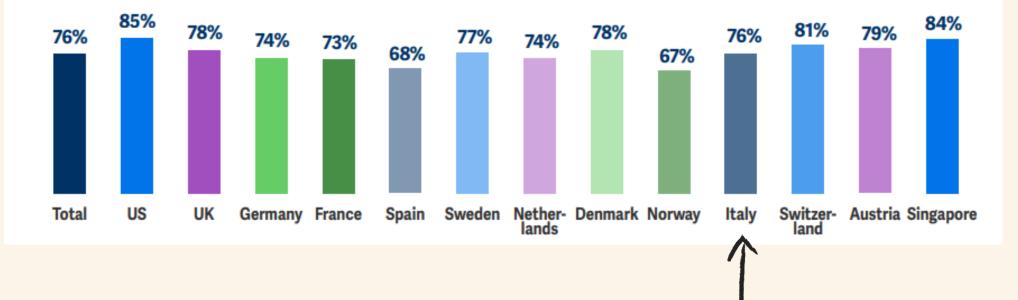




My organization is underprepared with regard to ESG goals, planning and future mandates (Strongly Agree and Somewhat Agree)

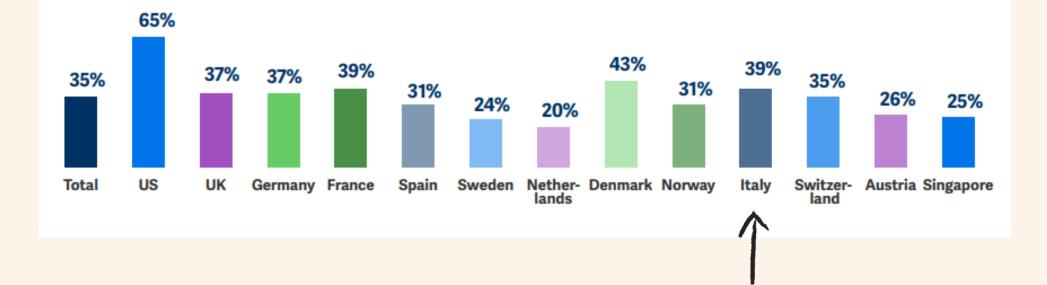


How important or unimportant is technology to addressing each of the following issues? Compiling and collaborating on ESG data (Very important and Somewhat important)





How well do you feel your organization uses technology and data to make decisions on advancing your ESG Strategy? Answer: Very well.





Conclusion

2022 ESG Survey: 5 Key Findings

- **1.** There is lack of trust in ESG reporting
- 2. ESG reporting has evolved
- 3. Companies have apprehension about the "E" in ESG
- 4. Technology is needed to advance ESG reporting
- 5. ESG reporting delivers positive business value



EU Landscape



Key ESG regulations for companies in Europe

NFRD

Non-Financial Reporting Directive

Requires large public-interest companies with 500+ employees to report on business impact, development, performance and position relating to a set list of non-financial issues.

Currently in Application

EU Taxonomy

Environmental Classification System

Establishes a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities by industry sector requiring companies to report how their business aligns with eligible/ non-eligible activities.

Adopted for FY 2022

CSRD

Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive

Will require all large companies (>250 employees) to report on ESG risks and impacts in a consistent and comparable way, including external assurance and digital tagging.

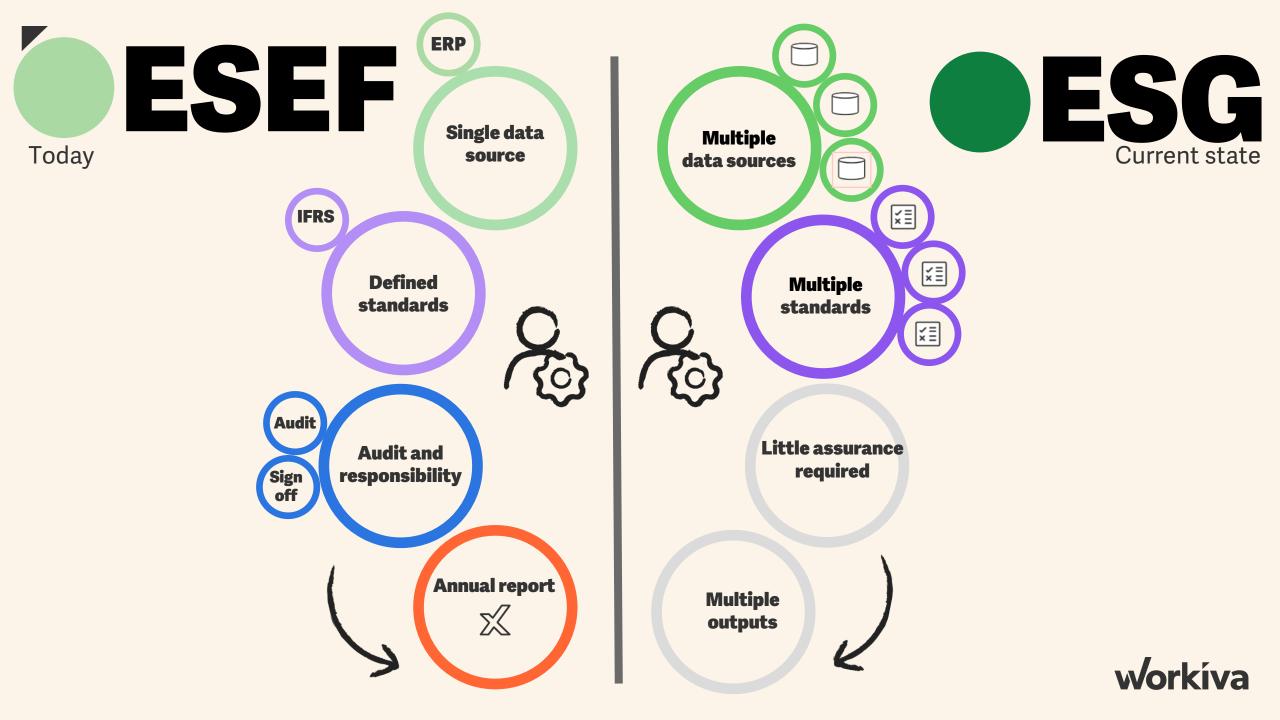
Proposed for FY 2024

More is coming:

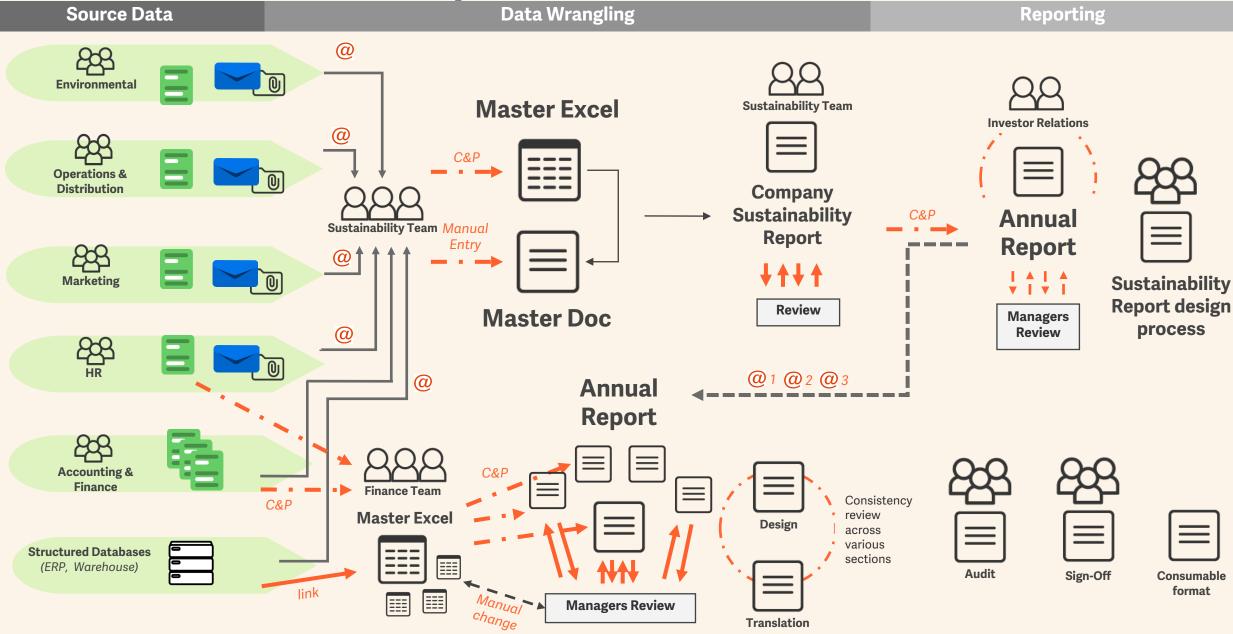
Growing list of activities in EU Taxonomy, Social Taxonomy, Due Diligence for Value Chains, ...

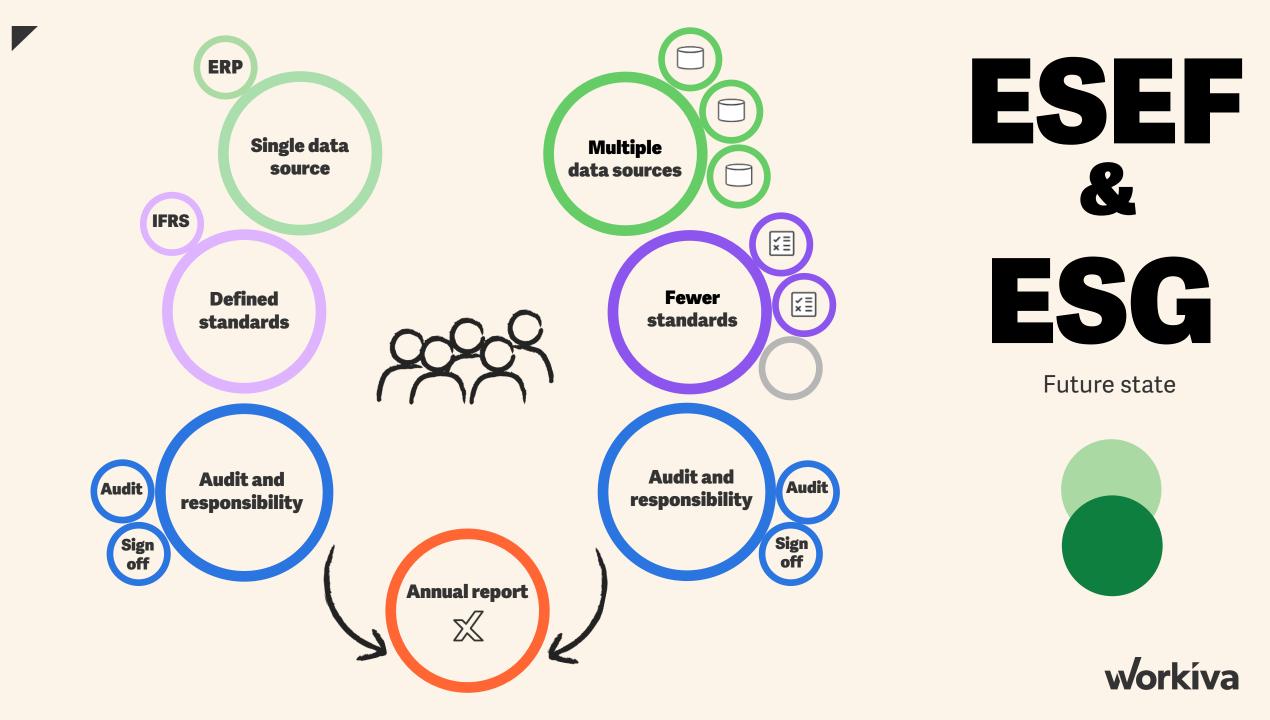
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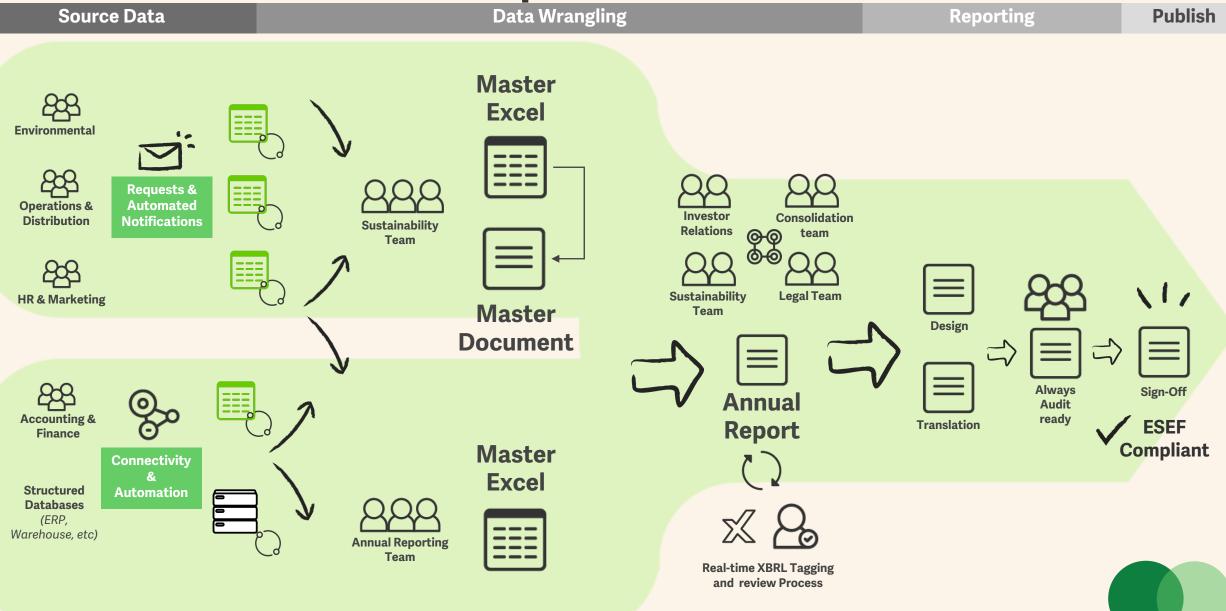


Current State: siloed processes





Future State: end-to-end process



Thought Leadership

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The Rise of ESG Reporting: 5 Tips to get started



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In the News

Workiva nominata Leader tra le piattaforme per il governo d'impresa, il rischio e la compliance da una società di ricerca indipendente

La piattaforma Workiva ha ottenuto il massimo punteggio nella categoria Strategia e il massimo punteggio possibile secondo il criterio di gestione degli audit

Business Wire 23 settembre 2021 09:25

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Workiva estende il valore della piattaforma cloud con il lancio del nuovo SaaS Marketplace

Workiva Marketplace debutta con offerte realizzate sia da Workiva che da aziende partner che semplificano i complessi problemi di reporting e di compliance Business Wire 28 luulo 2021 20 24 Workiva e Persefoni collaborano per razionalizzare i dati di divulgazione del carbonio di livello investitore

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Workiva diventa la prima azienda SaaS ad entrare nella Global Compact CFO Taskforce delle Nazioni Unite

Workiva Joins SASB in Support of XBRL Taxonomy for ESG Reporting

MARCH 10, 2021

Press releases

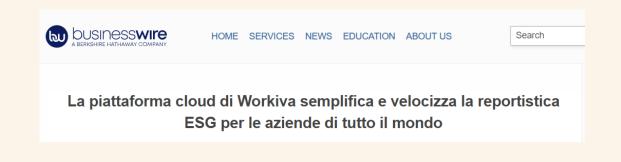
Deloitte Launches New ESG Accelerators for Workiva Platform Users Working To Establish or Enhance Accounting, Financial and Regulatory Reporting

Workiva Inc. Reinforces Its Global XBRL Leadership Commitment With Acquisition of the Arelle® XBRL® Validation Platform

JANUARY 25, 2022

Business Wire

Riassunto: Workiva Inc. rafforza la sua posizione di leadership di reportistica trasparente con l'acquisizione di ParsePort



Grazie

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