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Proposal for a Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence

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Current status of the proposal for a Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence (CSDD)

The Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence (CSDD) proposal was approved by Member States at a COREPER meeting on the 15th of March and by the European Parliament at a plenary vote on the 24th of April. The lawyer/linguist version of the text is currently being drafted and once finalised, this will result in the official publication of the Directive in the Official Journal of the EU (OJEU).



What is the proposal for a Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence?



The proposal for a Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence - part of the broader ESG landscape

The CSDD proposal will join a variety of other ESG measures that the EU is putting in place to promote greater accountability, transparency and sustainability. Among the other initiatives that are already in place or in train are:

- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive,
- EU Taxonomy,
- > EU Regulation banning goods made from forced labour
- Sector Specific initiatives such as the Conflict Minerals Regulation, etc.



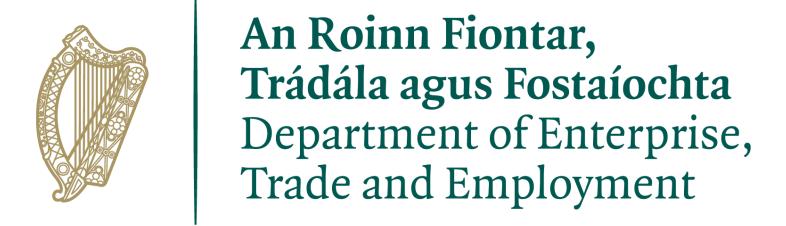
What companies are covered?

The proposal will apply to particular EU and non-EU companies.

For EU companies, those within scope are companies with 1,000+ employees and a net worldwide turnover of €450 million or more

Non-EU companies within scope are those who have a net turnover of €450 million or more within the EU.

SMEs are not directly within scope but may be indirectly affected if involved in the chain of activities of larger companies.



What does this mean for companies who are within scope of the CSDD proposal?



Next Steps

Once the text of the Directive has been finalised and published in the OJEU Member States will then have two years to transpose the final Directive into national law.

Post Publication:

- 3 years 5,000 employees and €1.5bn turnover
- 4 years 3,000 employees and €900m turnover
- 5 years 1,000 employees and €450m turnover